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**Lands and Property, Multiculturalism, Sport, Jobs and Tourism
(Kamper)**

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SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

Questions from Hon Mark Latham MLC

LANDS AND PROPERTY, MULTICULTURALISM, SPORT, JOBS AND TOURISM

- (1) Will the CEO now release the Venues 'Managing Gifts and Benefits Policy, given the evidence that too many of her staff are too close to ground hirers and the turf supplier, Evergreen, in particular?
- (2) How does the CEO respond to the critique that Venues NSW has developed a Good Time-Charlie culture, meaning that critical problems, such as the 3-year failure of the Allianz playing surface are ignored and covered up, in favour of the Board and senior management enjoying the ample hospitality and largesse opportunities this publicly funded body offers?
- (3) How much did it cost Venues for its Chair Mr Gallop to visit London for the Lords Test, Australia vs South Africa in June, in
 - (a) accommodation,
 - (b) airfares and
 - (c) other expenses?
- (4) What other overseas trips for Board members and staff has Venues NSW funded in the past three years? What are the details, including cost?
- (5) Since March 2023, which gifts (including free tickets and access to events) has Venues provided to
 - (a) NSW MPs,
 - (b) Federal MPs and
 - (c) other personnel?
- (6) Did you provide advice for the answer for Minister Kamper on the Notice Paper, Question 4044 ((24 July 2025)?
- (7) Did you respond to Football Australia in a letter dated 22 April 2025, after Mr Johnson wrote to you outlining a series of critical safety concerns about the Allianz playing surface?
- (8) When did you first become aware as CEO of the drainage problems at Allianz and what did you do about it?

- (9) Of which occasions did you report to the Venues Board about the Allianz drainage problems, and on each occasion, what recommendations did you make?
- (10) How often does the Venues Board meet and what has been the average meeting duration over the past 18 months?
- (11) Who conducted the most recent review of Allianz that has led to a decision to rip up the surface and drainage system and start again?
- (12) What did the 2022 drainage system and surface/soil/sand/turf installation cost at Allianz prior to the opening of the ground?
- (13) Since the 2022 opening, how many times has the Allianz turf been replaced, in
 - (a) part and
 - (b) whole and what has been the cost of each of these replacement jobs?
- (14) In each case in (13) above, which company undertook the turf replacement?
- (15) Given that the Evergreen turf farm at Hawkesbury repeatedly flooded in 2020, 201 and 2022, sometimes 5 metres under water, and huge amounts of silt settled on this product, why has Venues repeatedly accepted silt-contaminated turf from Evergreen, instead of dispensing with their services due to this professional negligence?
- (16) Given the severity of the Hawkesbury/Nepean floods, which Venues staff visited the Evergreen site to inspect the extent of the damage and gauge whether Evergreen could continue as a Venues turf supplier? What are the details?
- (17) As CEO do you accept responsibility for the 3-year Allianz debacle? Have you offered your resignation to the Minister and how did he respond?
- (18) If not you, who have you identified within the Venues organisation as responsible for the Allianz/Evergreen debacle? What have you done about them as CEO?
- (19) What correspondence did Venues NSW receive from the FIFA Women's World Cup organisers (FA) in 2022 concerning the failure of the Allianz turf (Evergreen Matrix) to comply with FIFA's requirements? How did Venues respond to this problem?
- (20) For each of the major hirers/sporting codes at Allianz and the SCG, who is the contact person dealing with feedback about the quality of the playing surface?
- (21) Since Allianz opened, which complaints have been received from the
 - (a) Sydney Roosters and

- (b) NRL?
- (22) Is it accepted within Venues that the NRL rarely lodges any official complaints as Peter V'Landys is listed as a referee for Evergreen and is also a close personal friend with the Evergreen owner?
- (23) For each of the Contingent Turf Supply Tenders Venues has put out since 2021, who have been the companies that
- (a) lodged EOIs
- (b) reached the final stage of assessment, and in each case, who were the referees for these companies and who was on the Venues evaluation panel? In each case, what declarations of interest were made by the panel members?
- (24) Does the CEO regard it as an acceptable standard for members of the Venues Tender Evaluation Panel to double up as referees for the tendering companies and not certify any conflict of interest? What action has she taken against this corrupt practice at Venues NSW?
- (25) How many times since 2021 has Evergreen supplied turf products to Venues NSW directly without tender? What are the details for each time this has happened: that is, ground, product, cost and the Venues officer responsible for organising the product and works? In particular, how many times has
- (a) Johnny Naofal and
- (b) Adam Lewis been involved?
- (26) Who has won the tender for supplying the turf at the new Penrith Stadium?
- (27) How does Venues NSW manage the conflict of interest by which Peter V'landys (head of the NRL) acts as a referee for Evergreen in its tender applications (and he has a close personal and financial relationship with Evergreen's owner Graeme Colless) yet Mr V'landys also runs a major ground hiring sports code? Mr V'Landys is known to threaten Venues NSW with moving major rugby league games (such as the grand final) away from our State and obviously he would be hostile if Evergreen lost its monopoly of Venues' turf supplies, contracts and work. How is this conflict of interest and coercive power managed?

Questions from Dr Amanda Cohn MLC
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SPORT

Disability Inclusion Action Plan

- (28) What is the implementation status of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan (2023-2026)?
- (29) What actions have been taken under the plan since 2024?
- (30) Will the plan be renewed beyond 2026?

Organisation Support Program

- (31) Under the Organisation Support Program, do any of the agreements reflect broader inclusion initiatives for people with disability or from multicultural backgrounds, and LGBTIQ+ people?
 - (a) If so, can you provide a model agreement?
- (32) 96 applications were successful for the Organisation Support Program in 2024/25 - 2025/26. How many were rejected?
 - (a) What was the criteria under which they were rejected?
 - (b) Were any projects rejected that met eligibility and selection criteria?
 - (c) How many projects were rejected on the basis that their application related to infrastructure or sport facilities, amenities and sporting fields?

Level the Playing Field

- (33) 26 of 212 applications were successful for Level the Playing field in 2023/24.
 - (a) What was the rationale(s) for which the remaining 186 were rejected?
 - (b) How many projects were rejected that met eligibility and selection criteria?
- (34) The Government committed \$30 million to the Program in 2023-24 and spent \$28,601.881.
 - (a) Why was the remaining \$1,398,119 not expended?
 - (b) Where were these funds diverted?
- (35) Has construction commenced for all successful applications?
- (36) Have any projects been completed?
 - (a) If so, what outputs and outcomes have been reported since completion of any projects?
- (37) On what basis did the Minister use their discretionary power to award funding for Hockey Coffs Coast Inc?

LANDS AND PROPERTY

Jetty Foreshore

- (38) A recent GIPA has revealed that PDNSW have spent over \$17m on the Coffs Harbour Jetty Foreshores Revitalisation Project, despite a Coffs Harbour City Council media release in 2020 stating that “The NSW Government has committed an initial \$20m to the revitalisation and activation of the Coffs Harbour Jetty Foreshore Precinct. Of that, \$5m has been allocated to a new community building on the site of the TS Vendetta Building, while the remaining \$15m has been allocated to the design and construction of essential services including water, power, sewer, stormwater and telecommunications infrastructure within the precinct.” Why, to date, has there been no construction of any services as outlined above?
- (a) Why has the \$15m budgeted for infrastructure not been used for that purpose?
 - (b) Can you provide a breakdown of expenditure on the planning proposal versus the expenditure on actual infrastructure, given that the community building is not part of this \$15m?
 - (c) Given that the City of Coffs Harbour Council have advised that the new community building has been capitalised at under \$5m, can you explain why the community building is being allocated a cost of \$9.6m?
- (39) Budget papers show that the \$20m was allocated to the Jetty Foreshore precinct in the 2020/21 NSW Budget Papers. This allocation was shown in all subsequent budget papers, except for NSW Budget papers for 2022/23. Why was it not shown in that particular financial year?
- (40) The parking and traffic study undertaken for the Jetty Foreshore Project in January 2022 was done during a period where the country was still emerging from COVID, and tourism numbers were still affected by this. Why was this particular period selected, given parking and traffic studies done at a later stage when the country had emerged from covid would have been more reliable?
- (a) The parking and traffic study undertaken in January 2022 fails to identify the dates data was actually collected. This should be compulsory in any study. Can you please advise the exact dates that the data was collected?

- (41) Muttonbird Island has been shown as part of the Coffs Harbour Jetty Foreshore Precinct since the beginning of PDNSW's project, and was also shown as part of the precinct in its application to the State Significant Rezoning Evaluation Panel. Muttonbird Island is one of the most significant Aboriginal sites in the area and is also a huge tourist drawcard. What is the reason that Muttonbird Island has been removed from the precinct in the Planning Proposal?

Crown Land Protection

- (42) Since 28 August 2024, have you taken any specific actions to assist Crown Lands in the goal of protecting 30 per cent of Commonwealth land and water by 2030?

Land Audit

- (43) Is it still government policy, as stated in the NSW Social Housing Accelerator Implementation Plan published in September 2023, that a "minimum target of 30% social and affordable housing for developments on surplus government land" applies to land identified through the Property Audit for Housing audit?
- (a) If so, does this apply to surplus government land sold to the private market?
 - (b) If so, is the intention for 30% of all dwellings built on surplus government land, or 30% of all floor space of surplus government land, to be social and affordable housing?
 - (c) If not, when and why did this policy change?
 - i. On what basis was this change made?
 - (d) To date, how many properties have been audited?
 - (e) To date, how many properties are yet to be audited?
 - (f) To date, what is the total square metreage of all properties that have been audited?
 - (g) Of the properties that have been audited, how many:
 - i. Currently have habitable dwellings on them?
 - ii. Have been identified as suitable for housing and sold to Homes NSW?
 - iii. Have been identified as suitable for housing and sold on the private market?

- iv. Have been identified as suitable for housing and sold to another government entity that is not Homes NSW?
- v. Have been identified as suitable for housing and are currently for sale on the private market?
- vi. Have been identified as not suitable for housing and have been sold or are on the market for sale?
- vii. Are located in areas impacted by the changes to the Housing SEPP to facilitate:

1. Transit oriented development; and

2. Diverse and well-located housing?

- (44) What is the median square metreage of all properties that have been audited?
- (45) Are any caveats imposed on the sale to private entities of properties identified through this audit requiring their use as housing?
 - (a) If so, do these include any requirements specifically for public or social housing?
 - i. If so, what are these requirements?
- (46) How many audited properties sold on the private market had habitable dwellings on them?
- (47) As of today's date, what is the total value of proceeds from the sale on the private market of properties identified through the land audit?
 - (a) What government department(s) has received the proceeds of these sales? Where more than one government department(s) has received the proceeds of sales, please specify the value received.
 - (b) What is the total value of proceeds from the sale on the private market of properties identified through the land audit that Homes NSW has received?
- (48) What is the methodology for:
 - (a) Prioritising the order in which sites are subject to a desktop evaluation?
 - (b) Evaluating whether a property is suitable for housing?
- (49) In relation to the ongoing audit of public land for the purposes of identifying "surplus" land suitable for use as housing:

- (a) How many properties, by local government area, have been assessed through the audit?
 - (b) How many properties, by local government area, have been deemed suitable for use as housing?
 - (c) How many properties, by local government area, have been deemed unsuitable for use as housing but appropriate for other infrastructure (e.g. schools, health facilities)?
 - i. Please specify these other uses.
- (50) How far is the audit from completion in terms of:
- (a) Months/weeks?
 - (b) The number of properties yet to be assessed?
- (51) How many full time equivalent staff within the Department of Lands and Property or other relevant government agency have been allocated to the land audit since its commencement?

SPORT

Sports Facilities Per Electorate

- (52) For sports facilities within the Newtown electorate:
- (a) What was the total funding allocation for FY24-25;
 - i. In which funding stream(/s) was this allocated?
 - ii. What is the breakdown of funding allocation by funding stream?
- (53) For sports fields and courts within the Newtown electorate:
- (a) What was the total funding allocation for FY24-25?
 - i. In which funding stream(/s) was this allocated;
 - ii. What is the breakdown of funding allocation by funding stream?
- (54) For sports facilities within the Ballina electorate:
- (a) What was the total funding allocation for FY24-25;
 - i. In which funding stream(/s) was this allocated?

- ii. What is the breakdown of funding allocation by funding stream?
- (55) For sports fields and courts within the Ballina electorate:
 - (a) What was the total funding allocation for FY24-25?
 - i. In which funding stream(/s) was this allocated;
 - ii. What is the breakdown of funding allocation by funding stream?
- (56) For sports facilities within the Balmain electorate:
 - (a) What was the total funding allocation for FY24-25;
 - i. In which funding stream(/s) was this allocated?
 - ii. What is the breakdown of funding allocation by funding stream?
- (57) For sports fields and courts within the Balmain electorate:
 - (a) What was the total funding allocation for FY24-25?
 - i. In which funding stream(/s) was this allocated;
 - ii. What is the breakdown of funding allocation by funding stream?

Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC

LANDS AND PROPERTY, MULTICULTURALISM, SPORT, JOBS AND TOURISM

Multiculturalism portfolio

- (58) As Minister for Multiculturalism, have you met with the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence to discuss the barriers that women from migrant and refugee backgrounds face when accessing domestic and family violence response and prevention?
- (59) DCJ currently does not include women on temporary visas in all targets and reporting regarding domestic and family violence. Has Multicultural NSW advocated for improved data collection to better understand the need, length of stay, outcomes, cost and turn away rates for women on temporary visas?

Questions from the Opposition

LANDS AND PROPERTY

Delivery Progress from the Land Audit

- (60) Please provide an updated list of all sites publicly announced to be used for housing selected from the land audit, including address, current holder of the land and the anticipated number of homes.
- (61) What is the expected timeline from site identification to completion of housing for land audit sites?
- (62) Has the Government conducted valuations for all sites identified in the audit?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (63) How is the valuation of sites conducted for interagency transfers, for instance to Homes NSW or Landcom?
- (64) How many sites as a result of the land audit have been transferred to Homes NSW, Landcom or any other Government agency or State owned corporation?
- (65) What is the value of transactions between Government agencies?
- (66) How is that funded?
- (67) Minister, how many of the promised 21,000 affordable and market homes have been delivered to date under the Building Homes for NSW program?
- (68) Of those delivered, how many are classified as:
 - (a) Affordable rental homes for key workers?
 - (b) Private market homes sold or leased at market rates?
- (69) How many of the 21,000 homes have commenced construction?
- (70) How many of the 21,000 homes have been approved for development?
- (71) How many of these homes are being delivered on government-owned surplus or underutilised land?
- (72) How many of the affordable homes have been made available for key workers in proximity to hospitals, schools, or emergency services?
- (73) What is the expected breakdown of affordable vs market homes in each region of NSW?

Land Audit Sales at auction

- (74) Minister, you've sold land at Arncliffe, Cringila, Earlwood, Frenchs Forest, Marsfield, Minto, Moree, Orange, Queanbeyan West, Rozelle, Seaforth, Stanmore, Taminda, West Wyalong and Wingham, how much has have you yielded from these sales? (Reference

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/property-and-development-nsw/property-listings>)

- (75) Minister, you have sites from Arncliffe, Chatswood, Corowa, Douglas Park, Leppington, Rouse Hill, Seaforth and Tahmoor up for sale, what are you doing with the proceeds of these sales?
- (76) Minister, how many more sites do the Government intend to sell as a result of the land audit?
- (a) Do you have any targets?
- (77) Minister, how many parcels of land identified in the Government's land audit have been sold at public auction since the audit commenced?
- (78) Can you provide a list of these properties, including their locations, sizes, and the auction dates?
- (a) What was the total sale price achieved for each parcel, and what is the combined proceeds total from these land sales?
- (b) Who were the purchasers of these parcels — were they private individuals, developers, or institutional investors?
- (c) Were any of these parcels purchased by foreign entities, and if so, how many?
- (d) What was the sale price of the properties?
- (e) Who were the purchasers of the properties?
- (f) What were the transaction costs of the properties?

Land Audit ROI Process and Response Handling

- (79) Minister, at last Estimates you confirmed PDNSW received 85 expressions of interest across all 22 ROI sites. How many of those 85 responses have been progressed?
- (a) How many proponents have been shortlisted for further negotiation or commercial engagement?
- (b) How many of the 22 ROI sites have been sold at auction?
- (80) If it is clearly not progressing – Minister, the Registrations of Interest process closed on 14 December 2024, with it being 9 months since this process closed – why is it progressing so slowly?

- (81) Can you confirm whether any of the 85 respondents have been invited to submit formal proposals beyond the initial ROI phase?
- (82) What specific assessment criteria were used to evaluate the 85 submissions?
- (83) How many responses were deemed viable by PDNSW, and how many were ruled out entirely?
- (84) Minister, you have put out expressions of interest for sites at Prairiewood, totalling 23,505.4 m2, these closed on 23 April, when do you expect this transaction to be finalised?
- (85) Minister, you have put out expressions of interest for a 20,777m2 site at Rouse Hill, expressions of interest closed on 23 April, when do you expect this transaction to be finalised?
- (86) Minister, you have put out expressions of interest for a 3,301m2 site at St Leonards, expressions of interest closed on 22 May, when do you expect this transaction to be finalised?
- (87) Minister, you have put out expressions of interest for a site of 116,952m2 in Wallarah closing on 23 April 2025, when do you expect this transaction to be finalised?
- (88) Minister, is there any caveat for social or affordable housing on these sites?
- (89) Minister, doesn't this fly in the face of the policy that you went to the election with that "Any properties built on surplus government land will be subject to Labor's mandatory requirement for 30 per cent of dwellings to be used for social, affordable, and universal housing."
- (90) Why did you not build on these sites Minister? Why weren't these sites used by Landcom or Homes NSW?

Land Audit Site Status and Accountability

- (91) Of the 22 sites included in the ROI campaign, how many have been matched to a preferred proponent?
- (92) Can you table a current status report showing which sites are under negotiation, which have stalled, and which are inactive?
- (93) Has PDNSW signed a single development agreement for any ROI site since the campaign closed in December 2024?

- (94) Will you provide the public with a delivery schedule—by site—showing projected timeframes for DA lodgement, approval, and construction?

Application Criteria & Assessment

- (95) What are the specific criteria PDNSW will use to assess “credibility, capability, and capacity” of applicants, and will these be publicly available before applications open?
- (96) How will PDNSW determine which projects qualify as low- to medium-density residential developments under this scheme?
- (97) What safeguards will be in place to ensure the guarantee is only provided to financially viable projects that genuinely need it to proceed?
- (98) How will PDNSW verify that developers start construction within six months, as required, and what penalties will apply if they fail to do so?
- (99) How will PDNSW ensure that projects supported under the scheme deliver diverse housing types, including affordable and family-friendly apartments, rather than solely high-end developments?

Program Start Date & Readiness

- (100) When will the Pre-sale Finance Guarantee be open for applications?
- (101) Approximately how long will it take for applications to be assessed?
- (102) Will funding under the Pre-sale Finance Guarantee be released in rounds? How will it be structured?
- (103) When will operational guidelines and assessment frameworks will be finalised?
- (104) What engagement has taken place with industry to ensure developers understand the application requirements before the scheme goes live?

Valuer General Pricing to Local Government Final Report

- (105) Minister, IPART has set the final maximum price for land valuations at \$7.93 per assessment, after extensive consultation—how does this compare to the pricing assumptions used in the Government’s budget planning?
- (106) What adjustments will now be required to Government agency and council budgets following IPART’s decision to set prices 16% lower than originally forecast?

- (107) Minister, when did you first become aware that IPART was considering a price significantly lower than what had been proposed?
- (108) Does this final determination alter the Government's forecasted revenue or expenditure figures associated with Crown land valuations?
- (109) Will IPART's final determination have any implications for the timing or scope of the Government's land audit program, or the handover of surplus land to Homes NSW?
- (110) What role did your department play in reviewing or contributing to the development of the pricing submission to IPART?
- (111) Did the Minns Labor Government undertake any internal assessment of the impact of IPART's draft and final pricing determinations on councils, housing delivery timeframes, or Crown land development?
- (112) What interagency coordination occurred between your department, Treasury, and the Department of Planning to align valuation pricing with broader housing targets and land release goals?
- (113) Was Homes NSW, or any other housing delivery agency, consulted on the implications of valuation pricing—given their reliance on accurate and timely land information to deliver social and affordable housing?
- (114) Minister, can you confirm whether valuation pricing assumptions formed part of the calculations for infrastructure contributions, rezoning feasibility, or land audit implementation?
- (115) How is the Government ensuring that the Valuer General's office is sufficiently resourced to meet the expected volume of valuations at this lower maximum price?
- (116) IPART's final report identifies the benefits of setting a single maximum price across all councils—does the Government support the move toward greater consistency in cost recovery for valuation services?
- (117) Minister, do you agree that greater transparency in the cost components of valuation services would support better long-term planning and collaboration with local government?
- (118) Will the reduced price per valuation affect the funding available for valuation-related services used to support Government land disposals and housing projects?

- (119) IPART's report references feedback from stakeholders—including industry and local government—that called for stronger incentives for efficiency and quality—how is the Government responding to this?
- (120) Does the Government intend to review or refresh the pricing framework for land valuation services, in light of IPART's determination?
- (121) Stakeholders raised concerns that the previous pricing framework lacked incentives to innovate—does the Government support a review of the underlying service delivery model for land valuations?
- (122) Given the importance of valuations in land use planning and housing delivery, what oversight mechanisms are in place to ensure pricing settings remain sustainable and fit-for-purpose into the future?
- (123) Has the Government undertaken any benchmarking with other jurisdictions to assess whether NSW's land valuation pricing remains competitive and efficient?
- (124) Will PDNSW publish the list of approved projects, the level of guarantee provided to each, and the delivery status over time?
- (125) What is the total expected number of projects PDNSW will underwrite in the first year, and how will these be prioritised?
- (126) How will the Government report on the value of guarantees issued, the number of dwellings supported, and the geographic spread of projects?
- (127) What risk assessment framework is PDNSW using to ensure taxpayers are not exposed to excessive financial losses?
- (128) Has PDNSW modelled the likelihood of the Government having to purchase completed dwellings under the scheme, and at what cost?

Proposed Sale of Warabrook Road Reserve Land

- (129) Minister, why is the Minns Labor Government proceeding with the sale of public land at Warabrook that was previously reserved for the Wallsend to Mayfield arterial corridor?
- (130) Can you confirm whether any transport modelling has been conducted to assess the long-term need for this land in light of population growth in western Newcastle and the completion of the Inner City Bypass?

- (131) What engagement has occurred with Newcastle City Council before including this land in the Government's "surplus" public land disposal list?
- (132) Why is the Government ignoring Council's formal request to pause the sale until its strategic road reserve review is complete?
- (133) Has your department costed the future upgrades that would be required to Maud Street and surrounding roads if this land is sold and the arterial route permanently abandoned?
- (134) Minister, do you accept the argument made by both Newcastle's Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor that selling this land now is "short-sighted" and compromises the city's long-term infrastructure planning?
- (135) Will you table any documentation or briefings from Transport for NSW justifying the claim that this land is no longer required for future road development?
- (136) Given the Government is calling for urban densification, how do you justify reducing future road corridor capacity in a growing regional centre like Newcastle?
- (137) What is the estimated value of the parcels at 22 Angophora Drive and 496 Maitland Road, and what portion of that will be reinvested in Newcastle's transport infrastructure?
- (138) Will you commit to halting the sale of this land until a full and independent infrastructure needs assessment has been conducted in consultation with local Briefing Note: Proposed Sale of Public Land at Warabrook, Newcastle

Carnarvon Golf Course cemetery proposal

- (139) Coleman Park and Carnarvon Golf Course is a 350-metre-wide strip of green space surrounded on all sides by housing, less than 500 metres from the Berala Station TOD where the Government plans to deliver 9,200 new homes. They are heavily utilised sporting fields contributing to the finite green space for recreation in the geographical heart of Sydney. Do these attributes make the site less favourable for a new cemetery?
- (140) What assessment of flood risk has been done in assessing the Carnarvon Golf Course site's suitability for a new cemetery?

Moonee Beach Pedestrian Bridge

- (141) With regards to the Moonee Beach Pedestrian Bridge, \$500,000 is being allocated for the design and planning of this bridge. What is the breakdown of the costs involved?

CRIF Strategic emergency grants

- (142) In budget estimates in February, via supplementary questions we were advised that the details for CRIF Strategic Emergency Grants were being finalised and would be published on the Crown Lands website. Did that occur and where can these be found?
- (143) How many applications did the Department receive for CRIF Strategic emergency grants?
- (144) What is the dollar value of CRIF Strategic emergency grants executed by the Crown Lands for 2024-25?

Crown Land Priority Services Renewal Program

- (145) The Government's 2025-26 budget papers refer to a Crown Land Priority Services Renewal Program delivered in the previous budget year including a comprehensive asset management system. Has this system gone live?
- (146) Is the system for internal Departmental use or for Crown land managers as well?

Crown Reserve Improvement Fund

- (147) Minister, in Budget Estimates in February, you advised that the intention for the 2024-25 round of Crown Reserve Improvement Fund grants was to focus on reserves with the most visitors. Is that why eligibility criteria for that round of CRIF funding included heavily weighted visitation criteria and a minimum application amount of \$100,000 which could not consist of multiple projects?
- (148) Of the 98 successful applicants, how many received grants for projects over \$100,000 dollars?
- (149) In budget estimates in February you said around \$10 million dollars in CRIF grants would be offered and \$4.5 million will be reserved for strategic emergency grants. Was the \$4.5 million dollars in addition to the \$10 million?
- (150) Ultimately the Government executed \$11,183,932 in CRIF grants. Was money taken away from CRIF Strategic Emergency grants to cover this 12 per cent discrepancy?
- (151) Did you put out a media release this year announcing the outcomes of the CRIF 2024-2025 funding round?
- (152) Did you put out a media release last year announcing the outcomes of the CRIF 2023-2024 funding round?
- (153) The 2023-24 round of CRIF funding received 609 applications, and in 2024-25 only 297 applications. Is this due to more restrictive eligibility criteria?

- (154) Are you aware of any smaller communities who have humbler needs and would have applied for grant funding for projects under \$100,000 if they were eligible?
- (155) In supplementary questions for February Budget Estimates, there's mention of the Illabo Showground land manager who is seeking \$40,000 to provide security for equipment and protect it from the elements. What grant funding options are available for this type of project?
- (156) Will the 2025-2026 round of CRIF grants cater to projects of this value?

MULTICULTURALISM

Compact

- (157) How much funding is specifically allocated in the 2025-26 Budget to run COMPACT programs and achieve its goals?
- (a) Of the \$12 million in funding distributed by COMPACT between 2021-2024, can you please provide a breakdown of each project that received funding and the specific amount they received?
- (b) How many times has the Minister met with the COMPACT alliance since his appointment? Does he attend every quarterly meeting?

NSW SETTLEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

- (158) Regarding the NSW Settlement Advisory Council:
- (a) How many staff from MNSW will be required to assist in the operations of the council?
- (b) Does the Minister co-approve the appointments of members of the council by the MNSW CEO?

NSW MULTICULTURAL CENTRE FOR WOMEN'S AND FAMILY SAFETY

- (159) Regarding the NSW Multicultural Centre for Women's and Family Safety (Adira Centre):
- (a) Is the \$4.4 million allocated for the establishment of the centre provided over 4 years, one-off or recurrent annually?
- (b) How many support staff are currently employed at the centre?

- (c) What are the annual staffing costs for the centre?
- (d) Are there plans to open similar facilities outside of South-Western Sydney, in regional or rural NSW?

MNSW ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

(160) Regarding the 2023-24 MNSW Annual Report:

- (a) When will a new permanent chairperson be announced for the MNSW Advisory Board?
- (b) Regarding the Language services provided by MNSW, pg. 33 of the annual report notes that new agreements were formed between MNSW language services and a number of agencies, including Icare and Revenue NSW. Is MNSW looking to expand the number of agreements with other agencies?
 - i. Who are they?
 - ii. When will these occur?
 - iii. What is the financial nature of the agreements, i.e. what is the cost of the translation services to other departments?
 - iv. Pg. 35 of the annual report notes that a partnership was signed with Macquarie University regarding the inclusion of AI translation tech in MNSW's services. What does the agreement cover?
 - v. Is there a financial cost for MNSW to facilitate this agreement?
 - vi. What kind of AI technologies is MNSW investigating applying to their translation services?
 - vii. When will this occur?

SPORT

Allianz Stadium – Playing Surface

- (161) For each financial year since the ground has been operational, what has been the maintenance spend at Allianz Stadium?
- (a) How much of the maintenance spend was in relation to the playing surface?

- (162) When did Venues NSW first commission their report that found blame for the poor playing surface?
- (163) Were any other issues raised by the independent review apart from contamination in the drainage layer?
- (164) Will the independent review's report be made available to the public?
- (165) What is the expected cost of these rectification works?
- (166) What is the expected lost revenue as a result of the closure of Allianz Stadium for ten weeks?

Learn to Swim Program

- (167) How many people have taken up this program since it was announced?
- (168) How many Learn to Swim vouchers were redeemed under the former Liberal Government's program?
- (169) What support is being provided to those in remote communities unable to access your Learn to Swim Program that would have otherwise has access to the First Lap Voucher Program?

Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation

- (170) Nearly two years after issues were raised at the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation 6.7m in funding was allocated for the repair in the 2025-26 NSW Budget. What will this funding deliver?
- (171) What specific improvements will be delivered thanks to this investment?
- (172) If the project exceeds the monies allocated what steps will the Office of Sport take to ensure this important facility is once again available to the sporting community?
- (173) When will the project be completed?

Sydney International Clay Target Association

- (174) The Sydney International Clay Target Association (SICTA) must relocate, due to their lease at the premises in Lucas Heights expiring. The Office of Sport has communicated to SICTA that they are able to relocate to the Sydney International Shooting Centre at Cecil Park. What assessment was undertaken to ensure this site meets sporting clay target competition standards, and will the assessment be released publicly?
- (175) Have SICTA shared concerns that the Sydney International Shooting Centre is not suitable for their discipline with the Office of Sport?

- (176) Has funding been allocated to facilitate SICTA's relocation to this new site?
- (177) What steps has the Office of Sport taken to ensure licence holders are not disenfranchised?

Sydney International Speedway (SIS)

- (178) What were the findings of Speedway Australia's annual inspection of the Sydney International Speedway in July 2025?
- (179) Did that inspection identify non-compliant electrical wiring mounted on the catch fence, and if so, how did this arise?
- (180) Was the catch fence itself assessed as failing to meet Speedway Australia's safety standards?
- (181) When was SIS notified of this catch fence issue?
- (182) When was the Office for Sport notified?
- (183) How long will the rectification works to the fence take?
- (184) Following that inspection, was a formal Statement of Works issued by Speedway Australia requiring rectification of the catch fence?
- (185) Has the Office of Sport advised Greater Sydney Parklands that the Sydney International Speedway cannot be licensed until Speedway Australia certifies that these compliance works are complete?
- (186) Has the Office for Sport advised the track will not be licensed until Speedway Australia certifies these works are complete?
- (187) Is the track currently operating under a valid licence, or is its licence suspended pending rectification?
- (188) Who has been deemed responsible for the non-compliance issues — the operator, Greater Sydney Parklands, or another party?
- (189) There are understood to be issues with the track surface, still, is this the case?
- (190) What advice has the Department received about how long these compliance works will take to complete?
- (191) When does the Government expect Speedway Australia will be able to re-inspect the facility and certify it as compliant?
- (192) Who is paying for the rectification works?
- (193) If it is the NSW Government, which agency? And how much does it cost?

2024-25 Budget – Agency Information Statements

- (194) On page 4-8 of *Budget Paper No.2- Agency Information Statements* a revised figure of \$358,817,000 for 2024/25 has been provided for Grants and Subsidies down from \$375,011,000. What are the reasons for this underspend?
- (a) Please provide a list of grant programs and subsidies covered by this amount, including the budgeted spend and if relevant underspend?
 - (b) On page 4-8 of *Budget Paper No.2- Agency Information Statements* a revised figure of \$27,442,000 for 2024/25 has been provided for Grants and Contributions revenue, up from \$16,987,000. Please provide the reason for this increase in revenue above what was budgeted?
 - (c) On page 4-8 of *Budget Paper No.2- Agency Information Statements* a revised figure of \$10,345,000 for 2024/25 has been provided for Other revenue, up from \$1,581,000. Please provide the reason for this increase in Other revenue above what was budgeted?

Dubbo Sports Hub

- (195) Did you ever sign off on a brief that provided in-principle support for the variation request and for the project to proceed at Dubbo Sports World?
- (196) If you were supportive of the project and your department provided in-principle support for the variation, why did you then allow Minister Moriarty to kill this project that would have been so beneficial to Dubbo and the wider Western NSW community?
- (197) What did you make of Minister Moriarty's demand on January 23 to her CFO, which was relayed to the Office of Sport, of a 5pm deadline on January 24 for the return of the \$33.3 million allocated by DPIRD to the project?
- (198) What can you tell the communities of Dubbo and wider Western NSW about their prospects of having a sports hub built in the future?
- (199) Was there ever a breakdown internally between the Office of Sport and DPIRD when it came to the project?
- (200) In internal departmental discussions and correspondence between the Office of Sport and DPIRD, would it be fair to suggest both parties were working to achieve the outcome of achieving a new funding agreement that would have seen the Dubbo Sports Hub built at the Dubbo Sports World site.

- (201) Given there was money locked away and a desire from within both departments to see the project built, who is ultimately responsible for the fact the project isn't proceeding?
- (202) In January, there were discussions about the original \$9.3m held by the Office of Sport to be reallocated to PCYC for a "stage one" of the project to proceed. What came of those discussions?

JOBS AND TOURISM

NSW National Parks camping fees

- (203) Was Destination NSW consulted in the formation of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service 'Improving camping in New South Wales national parks' consultation paper?
- (204) If so, when and what input did Destination NSW provide in relation to the proposed tiered fee system?
- (205) Has any analysis been done to evaluate the impact of increasing camping fees on the tourism industry in regional NSW?

Visitor Economy Strategy

- (206) What is the anticipated release date on the NSW Visitor Economy Strategy 2035?
- (207) Will the strategy identify preferred locations for investment in additional hotel rooms?
- (208) What analysis been done to establish the impact on high transport costs on tourism in regional NSW?
- (209) What is the anticipated release date of the statewide aviation strategy?
- (210) How will the NSW Government support the development of Sustainable Aviation Fuel?

NSW Ski Fields & Parking Shortages

- (211) It's been a bumper ski season after two very tough years for ski fields. How many times have the car parks been closed due to being at capacity?
- (212) What happens when the car parks are full?
- (213) How many car spaces are in Kosciuszko National Park?
- (214) What is the cost of this impact on operators?
- (215) Are there provisions to encourage the use of ski-tube to get to Perisher?

- (216) Are you aware of issues with the ski tube's reliability after multiple breakdowns?
- (217) Have you met with National Parks and Wildlife Service to discuss solutions?
- (218) Tourism is doing it tough enough in the current climate and this is the first good ski season in years, will you work on a solution?

Crown Road Enclosures

- (219) Regarding Crown Road enclosure permit fees. How many landholders in 2024-25 handed back or decided not to renew their permits?
- (220) How much revenue was generated due to the elimination of concessions?
- (221) How many bowling clubs closed due to the rent increases experienced in 2023-24?

CFMEU meetings

- (222) Since 28 March 2023, have you met with the Construction, Forestry and Maritime Employees Union (CFMEU) that was not disclosed in accordance with the Premier's Memorandum M2015-05 Publication of Ministerial Diaries and Release of Overseas Travel Information?

ETU meetings

- (223) Since 28 March 2023, have you met with the Electrical Trades Union (ETU) that was not disclosed in accordance with the Premier's Memorandum M2015-05 Publication of Ministerial Diaries and Release of Overseas Travel Information?

Ministerial disclosures to The Cabinet Office

- (224) On what date did you last update/make a ministerial disclosure to the Premier and the Secretary of The Cabinet Office?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Employees

- (225) In relation to redundancies, will this be made available in your respective Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports

- (226) Do you have plans to print the 2024-25 annual report(s) for each department / agency in your portfolio?

- (a) If yes, what is the budgeted expenditure for printing for each department / agency?

State Records Act

- (227) Have you and your ministerial office had training and/or a briefing about the State Records Act from State Records NSW and/or The Cabinet Office and/or Premier's Department?

- (a) If yes, when?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Gifts and Hospitality Register

- (228) Does your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) have a gifts and/or hospitality register?

- (a) If yes, is it available online?
i. If yes, what is the website URL?

Ministerial staff disclosure of gifts and/or hospitality

- (229) Does your ministerial office keep a register of gifts and/or hospitality for staff to make disclosures?

- (a) If yes, what is the website URL?

- (230) 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?

Ministerial Code of Conduct

- (231) Since 28 March 2023, have you breached the Ministerial Code of Conduct?

- (a) If yes, what was the breach?

Senior Executive Drivers

- (232) As at 1 August 2025, how many senior executives in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) have a driver?

GIPA Act - Disclosure Log & Ministerial Offices

- (233) Does your Ministerial Office have a disclosure log in accordance with the Government Information (Public Access Act) 2009?

- (a) If yes, what is the URL?

GIPA Act - Disclosure Log & Departments/Agencies

(234) What is the website URL for the Government Information (Public Access Act) 2009 disclosure log each of your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?

TikTok

(235) Are you on TikTok?

(a) If yes, do you access TikTok from a NSW Government device?

Signal

(236) Are you on Signal?

(a) If yes, do you access Signal from a NSW Government device?

(b) If yes, does Signal comply with the State Records Act?

Training

(237) Since 28 March 2023, have you had training from an external stakeholder that included an invoice and payment paid for using your ministerial budget?

(a) If yes, what is the description of training?

(b) If yes, how much?

Parliamentary Secretary & Ministerial Vehicle

(238) Has your Parliamentary Secretary ever used a Ministerial driver from the pool?

(a) If yes, why?

Media releases and statements

(239) Are all the ministerial media releases and statements issued by you publicly available at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases>?

(a) If no, why?

Overseas Travel

(240) As Minister, do you approve overseas travel for public servants from your portfolio department(s)/agency(s)?

Data Breaches

(241) Does your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) keep a register of data breaches in accordance with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection (PPIP) Act?

(a) If yes, what is the website?

Discretionary Fund

(242) As Minister, do you have a discretionary fund?

(a) If yes, what department(s) / agency(s) administer it?

(b) If yes, what is the website URL detailing expenditure?

Airline Lounges

(243) Are you a member of the Qantas Chairmans Lounge?

(244) Are you a member of the Virgin Beyond Lounge?

Ministerial Overseas Travel

(245) Since 28 March 2023, have you formally applied to the Premier to travel overseas?

(a) If yes, was this application accepted?

Private Jet Charter

(246) Have you travelled on a private jet charter in your Ministerial capacity?

(a) If yes, was this value for money for taxpayers?

Ministerial Office renovations

(247) Since 28 March 2023, has your Ministerial Office at 52 Martin Place been renovated?

(a) If yes, how much was the expenditure?

Conflict of Interest

(248) Since 28 March 2023, have you formally written to the Premier with a conflict of interest?

(a) If yes, why?