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BUDGET ESTIMATES 2025-2026

Supplementary questions

Portfolio Committee No. 5 – Justice and Communities

Police and Counter-terrorism, the Hunter
(Catley)

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SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

Questions from the Hon Mark Latham MLC

Minister Catley

- (1) The Minns Govt response to anti-Semitism was to enact new hate speech and anti-protest laws. What impact have they had on the Iranian Mullahs and the Caravan conman hiding in Turkey, who we now know were the instigators of the most serious incidents in Sydney?
- (2) When will the Minister correct her claim of over 700 anti-Semitic attacks made at the previous Budget estimates?
- (3) Having had an opportunity to reflect on your answers to the Committee, can the Minister confirm:
 - (a) she had no prior knowledge of Tom Harris-Brassil preparing an Information Sheet on Chris Minns and Jamie Clements?
 - (b) she sacked Tom Harris-Brassil for preparing a document the Minister has never read?
- (4) If Tom Harris-Brassil's actions were so reprehensible, why did you help him get a job at the MUA?
- (5) When did the Minister first read the LECC report on Karen Webb and her personal relationship with the Hopes of Hope Estate re their gin bottle production? Why did the Minister tolerate for so long a dishonest NSW Police Commissioner, bringing discredit to our police service?
- (6) Is the Minister aware of a LECC investigation into Karen Webb and the improper use of police resources to undertake electrical work on her private property? Is this the reason Ms Webb has retired?

David Hudson

- (7) How often is the Police Minister briefed on the number and nature of anti-Semitic incidents in NSW? When was the last briefing and in summary, what did it show?

Questions from the Hon Rod Roberts MLC

Question for Acting Commissioner Thurtell

- (8) The methodology and evaluation processes utilised by the State Rescue Board to decide upon the 'primary rescue' unit for a given area has previously been discussed in this forum. This has included the suggestion the data from rescue incidents should be employed to evaluate the fastest responding rescue agency.

On 2.7.25 a Dubbo Council employee involved in a critical incident at the Dubbo Regional Theatre was treated on scene during a 'rescue' operation. Sadly, after being transferred by ambulance to the local hospital, the worker died from their injuries. Volunteers of the VRA are the 'primary rescue' unit for the Dubbo area but are understood to have taken almost 30 minutes to arrive on scene and commence operations. FRNSW Dubbo, who have trained rescue operators and are manned 24/7, were not responded initially but were understood to have been requested to by NSW Ambulance as it became unclear if or when the VRA unit would arrive.

FRNSW Dubbo could have responded to this incident within 8 minutes. Why aren't the State Rescue Board dual responding FRNSW initially?

- (9) The recent decision from the Industrial Relations Commission concerning the Awards covering FRNSW firefighters has acknowledged and compensated all FRNSW firefighters for having the training and skills to conduct road crash rescue. Have you read the decision?
- (a) What impact will this have on the rescue arrangements governed by the State Rescue Board?

Questions from Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC

POLICE

Music festivals

- (10) For each music festival held in NSW since 1 October 2022 please provide the following breakdown:
- (a) the initial total charge quoted by NSW Police for a police presence
- (b) the number of officers required by NSW Police to be in attendance
- (c) whether any request was made for a reduction in fees charged via the Local Area Command or any other avenue outside the formal appeals process
- (d) the final amount charged
- (e) whether any music festival formally appealed the user-pays charges

- i. If so, the outcome of these appeals
- (11) Regarding strip searches undertaken at music festivals in NSW since 1 October 2024 what was the total number of people strip searched broken down by gender, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin and CALD background.
 - (a) How many were the result of a drug dog indication?
 - (b) How many resulted in a charge for the possession of drugs?
 - (c) How many resulted in a charge for the supply of drugs?
 - i. What were the quantities of each drug for each individual charge of supply?
 - (d) How many of the people charged with the possession of drugs resulted in a conviction?
 - (e) How many of the people charged with the supply of drugs resulted in a conviction?

Early Drug Diversion Initiative

- (12) Is every individual who is caught under the Cannabis Cautioning Scheme (CCS) and charged or diverted or cautioned included in the Early Drug Diversion Initiative (EDDI) data?
 - (a) If not, please provide the data of the total number of people who have been charged or diverted under the CCS since 29 February 2024.
- (13) What criteria are police required to apply when determining whether someone is referred to a health professional rather than charged under EDDI?
- (14) To what extent is police discretion a factor in deciding whether somebody is referred to a health professional rather than charged under EDDI?
 - (a) Has NSW conducted any internal audits or reviews into whether officers are applying the program consistently?
- (15) Regarding the number of people charged for low level drug offences under EDDI up until 13 August 2024, how many people were deemed ineligible for diversion?
 - (a) Please provide a breakdown of the reasons for ineligibility and how many people.

Questions from Ms Sue Higginson MLC
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Knife Wandering Powers

- (16) Can you provide the number of designated areas declared under section 45F of the *Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002* in each LGA's since 20 June 2024?

- (17) Since 20 June 2024, how many individuals have been charged with an offence under section 11F of the *Summary Offences Act* 1988?
- (a) Of those individuals, how many identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?
- (18) Can you provide the number of individuals searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area since 20 June 2024, broken down by LGA?
- (19) Can you provide the number of individuals charged with an offence under section 11B of the *Summary Offences Act* 1988 after being searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area since 20 June 2024, broken down by LGA?
- (20) Can you provide the number of individuals charged with an offence other than section 11B of the *Summary Offences Act* 1988 after being searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area since 20 June 2024, broken down by LGA?
- (21) Can you provide the number of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area since 20 June 2024, broken down by LGA?
- (22) Can you provide the number of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people charged with an offence under section 11B of the *Summary Offences Act* 1988 after being searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area, broken down by LGA?
- (23) Can you provide the number of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people charged with an offence other than section 11B of the *Summary Offences Act* 1988 after being searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area, broken down by LGA?
- (24) Can you provide a list of the offences, other than section 11B of the *Summary Offences Act* 1988, that individuals have been charged with after they were searched with a hand-held scanner without a warrant in a designated area?
- (a) Can you please provide the number of times each offender was charged with that offence?

Firearms Prohibition Orders (FPOs)

- (25) Of the total people currently subject to an FPO, what is their:
- (a) Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status;
- (b) Age;
- (c) Police area command (or other geographical area identifier)?

- (26) Of the people currently subject to an FPO, please advise:
- (a) The number who were under the age of 18 years at the time the FPO was served (and, of that cohort, the number that identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander);
 - (b) The number who have been convicted of an offence under the Firearms Act (and, of that cohort, the number that identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander);
 - (c) The number who have been charged but not convicted of an offence under the Firearms Act (and, of that cohort, the number that identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander);
 - (d) The number who have never been charged with, nor convicted of, an offence under the Firearms Act (and, of that cohort, the number that identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander); and
 - (e) The number who have never been convicted of any offence under NSW law (and, of that cohort, the number that identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander)?
- (27) For FY2024/25, what was the number of searches conducted by NSW Police further to section 74A of the Firearms Act, by:
- (a) Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status;
 - (b) Age;
 - (c) Police area command (or other geographical area identifier); and
 - (d) The number resulting in the location of firearms, firearm parts or ammunition?
- (28) Have the NSW Police Force begun conducting five-year and historical periodic reviews of FPOs?
- (a) If not, why?
 - (b) If yes, how many FPOs have been revoked as a result of those reviews?
 - (c) If yes, will those reviews be subject to any external review or oversight?
 - (d) If yes, do individuals subject to an FPO have an opportunity to contest the outcome of these reviews?
- (29) Are these five-year and historical periodic reviews of FPOs intended to be a substitute for the Ombudsman's recommendation that FPOs automatically expire after 5 years?

Bail

- (30) The Attorney General gave evidence at the last Budget Estimates hearing that the Chief Magistrate would be talking to the Police Commissioner on the rate of police bail refusals:
- (a) Are you aware of this discussion?
 - (b) On what precise date did this discussion occur?
 - (c) Was this discussion a formal meeting, with minutes and outcomes?
 - (d) What was the Police Commissioner's response with regard to the rate of police bail refusals?
 - (e) Was any commitment made that NSW Police would attempt to reduce the number of police bail refusals?
- (31) Do you plan to change bail refusal practices to address the rate of police bail refusals?
- (32) Has any change in bail refusal practices been made since the last estimates hearing?
- (33) Can the Minister provide a copy of the new 'risk assessment' tool used by NSW Police to guide officers on how frequently to conduct bail compliance checks on certain people?
- (34) Can the Minister provide a copy of the documents that instructs officers on how to:
- (a) use the tool?
 - (b) engage with a person who receives a high risk rating or priority assessment?

Operation Shelter

- (35) Since 7 October 2023, how much has been spent on NSW Police's Operation Shelter?
- (36) Of Operation Shelter costs, how much has been spent specifically on deployment to protests?
- (37) Of these deployments, how many were on pro-Palestine demonstrations?
- (38) Of these deployments, how many were on demonstrations organised by the Palestine Action Group?

Protests

- (39) How many notices of intention to hold a public assembly did the NSW police receive in:
- (a) 2022?

- (b) 2023?
 - (c) 2024?
 - (d) 2025?
- (40) How many notices of intention to hold a public assembly were refused by the NSW police in:
- (a) 2022?
 - (b) 2023?
 - (c) 2024?
 - (d) 2025?
- (41) In the year 2023, how many charges were laid against individuals taking part in protest activity at:
- (a) The University of Sydney?
 - (b) The University of Wollongong?
 - (c) The University of NSW?
 - (d) The University of Technology Sydney?
 - (e) Macquarie University?
 - (f) Western Sydney University?
- (42) In the year 2024, how many charges were laid against individuals taking part in protest activity at:
- (a) The University of Sydney?
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 - (c) The University of NSW?
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 - (b) The University of Wollongong?
 - (c) The University of NSW?
 - (d) The University of Technology Sydney?
 - (e) Macquarie University?
 - (f) Western Sydney University?
- (44) Since 1 October 2023, how many NSW Police officers have been deployed at pro-Palestine protests in:
- (a) 2023?
 - (b) 2024?
 - (c) 2025?
- (45) Since 7 October 2023, what has been the total amount that NSW Police has spent in policing pro-Palestine protests?
- (46) How many pro-Israel protests have the NSW Police applied for prohibition orders to prevent?
- (47) How many pro-Palestine protests have the NSW Police applied for prohibition orders to prevent?

Harbour Bridge ‘March for Humanity’ on 3 August 2025

- (48) How was NSW Police’s estimate of 90,000 attendees established?
- (a) Which experts were consulted during the development of this estimate?
 - (b) Can you please outline the police’s method for crowd size determination?
- (49) What is the breakdown of the over \$1m spent policing this March?
- (50) What specifically was the risk that the March posed that prevented it from continuing to its endpoint?
- (a) How was this risk assessed and by whom?
- (51) Are there any procedures or policies that address disbursement from gatherings or protests with over 100,000 people in attendance?
- (a) If so, what are they?

- (b) If not, why?
- (52) Why are there not already comprehensive plans for managing large crowds across different major areas?
- (a) Will such plans be developed in the future?
- (53) Can you please describe the exact justification for police's decision to prevent the March from ending at the US Consulate's office?
- (54) Did police engage with the NSW Department of Transport, or did you as Minister engage with the Minister for Transport, with regard to the closure of the Sydney Metro on that Sunday?
- (a) If so, what was the outcome of those discussions?
- (b) If so, on what dates did those discussions occur?
- (c) If not, why not?
- (55) To what extent were you involved in the decision to apply for a prohibition order on the planned Harbour Bridge march by NSW Police?
- (56) Did you sign off on, or have any input on, the decision to apply for a prohibition order in the courts?
- (57) At what stage did police work on a contingency plan for more protestors than the anticipated 50,000 protests at the March?
- (58) What was the contingency plan that was developed to ensure the safe disbursement of peaceful protestors from North Sydney?
- (59) At exactly what time was a determination made that the crowd would need to return over the Sydney Harbour bridge?
- (60) Why were police helicopters at the Harbour Bridge March equipped with inadequately loud PA systems?
- (61) Why did Police not accept the offer from Josh Lees, Damian Ridgewell and Amal Nasser, during a conversation with Assistant Commissioner Adam Johnson, Inspector Alicia Murphy and Chief Inspector Sam Fordy at Sydney Police Centre, Surry Hills, to delay the march by 1 or 2 weeks, with a commitment that Police would facilitate a future march?
- (62) Why did Police only express interest in the form 1 for the 3rd of August, rather than working toward another date, if it was their view the March would create a risk to public safety?

- (63) Why did Police arrive at that meeting with any maps or plans for the March to take ahead?
- (64) Do you concede this meeting was not a genuine attempt at collaboration, and rather a box-ticking exercise before police unsuccessfully took Palestine Action Group to Court?
- (65) What instructions did you give as Minister to ensure this outcome led toward the best outcome for public safety?
 - (a) Specifically, did you have any conversations with Assistant Commissioner Adam Johnson, Inspector Alicia Murphy and/or Chief Inspector Sam Fordy?
 - i. If so, when?
 - ii. If so, what was the nature of those discussions?
 - iii. If not, why not?
- (66) Exactly what reasons were provided to Josh Lees in the letter sent on 29 July 2023 that the public assembly should be opposed?
- (67) On what basis did police refuse Palestine Action Group's offer to move the starting location of the march from Land Park to Bradfield Park?
- (68) On what basis did police refuse Palestine Action Group's offer to leave the Eastern Lanes of the Sydney Harbour Bridge free for emergency vehicles and buses?

Police Costs

- (69) In the 2022-23 financial year, how much did the NSW spend on the purchase of police weapons, broken down by:
 - (a) Firearms?
 - (b) Ammunition?
 - (c) Rubber bullets?
 - (d) Tasers?
 - (e) Batons?
 - (f) OC Spray?
 - (g) Tear gas?
 - (h) Handcuffs?
 - (i) Knives?

- (j) Long range acoustic devices?
 - (k) Water cannons?
- (70) In the 2023-24 financial year, how much did the NSW spend on the purchase of police weapons, broken down by:
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 - (c) Rubber bullets?
 - (d) Tasers?
 - (e) Batons?
 - (f) OC Spray?
 - (g) Tear gas?
 - (h) Handcuffs?
 - (i) Knives?
 - (j) Long range acoustic devices?
 - (k) Water cannons?
- (71) In the 2024-25 financial year, how much did the NSW spend on the purchase of police weapons, broken down by:
- (a) Firearms?
 - (b) Ammunition?
 - (c) Rubber bullets?
 - (d) Tasers?
 - (e) Batons?
 - (f) OC Spray?
 - (g) Tear gas?
 - (h) Handcuffs?
 - (i) Knives?
 - (j) Long range acoustic devices?

- (k) Water cannons?
- (72) In the 2022-23 financial year, how much did the NSW spend on:
- (a) Training for sniffer dogs?
 - (b) Training for police horses?
 - (c) Upkeep for sniffer dogs?
 - (d) Upkeep for police horses?
 - (e) Adoption of sniffer dogs?
 - (f) Adoption of police horses?
 - (g) Accommodation for sniffer dogs?
 - (h) Accommodation for police horses?
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 - (b) Training for police horses?
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 - (d) Upkeep for police horses?
 - (e) Adoption of sniffer dogs?
 - (f) Adoption of police horses?
 - (g) Accommodation for sniffer dogs?

- (h) Accommodation for police horses?

Mental Health

- (75) What specific support mechanisms, mental health services, and debriefing protocols are provided to police officers who regularly attend traumatic mental health incidents, to mitigate the impact on their own mental health and ensure they are consistently equipped to respond empathetically and professionally?
- (76) Is there a rationale behind rostering NSW Police officers on 12 hour shifts given that research indicates that this leads to an increase in burnout, job dissatisfaction and potential errors?
 - (a) Are any policies in place to prevent these symptoms from occurring?
- (77) In Budget Estimates on 30 August 2024, David Hudson gave evidence that the MHIT program still exists, but we now know it has been greatly reduced. Should that not have been disclosed?
- (78) Which specific aspects were cut out of the 4-day Mental Health Intervention Team (MHIT) course to create the 2-day course?
 - (a) Can you please provide a list and include rationale for each?
- (79) How many officers now take the 2-day consolidated MHIT course?
- (80) Has it had any measurable impact on the rate at which police exercise force on people experiencing mental health crises?
- (81) Has it had any measurable impact on the rate at which police escalate mental health incidents?
- (82) How many hours is the annual mental health training officers now must undertake?
 - (a) Can you provide a copy of its content?
 - (b) What percentage of police staff are completing this training, especially front-line staff?
- (83) Has any process been developed to ensure that officers who have completed the MHIT program are the officers attending mental health incidents whenever possible?
- (84) Have you considered whether NSW Police officers could attend welfare checks in plain clothes?
 - (a) If so, what was the outcome of that consideration?

- (b) If not, why not?

Funding from things seized by section 45C of LEPRA

(85) In accordance with part (3) of section 45C of the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002, how many things seized and disposed of were sold in:

- (a) 2016?
- (b) 2017?
- (c) 2018?
- (d) 2019?
- (e) 2020?
- (f) 2021?
- (g) 2022?
- (h) 2023?
- (i) 2024?
- (j) 2025?

Strip Searches

(86) Given the Redfern Legal Centre and Harm Reduction Australia's report showing that, of 82,741 NSW Police strip searches over ten years, only 6.43% led to possession convictions and just 1.43% to supply convictions, do you agree that:

- (a) over 99% of strip searches did not result in a supply conviction?
- (87) Do you believe the statistics found in the report named above throw into question the efficacy of strip searches?
- (88) Do you believe that the practice of strip searches should be banned against children and young people? If not, could you explain your rationale behind this?

Prevention Disruption Response Program

(89) During Budget Estimates in August 2024, I asked how the PDR would avoid disproportionate policing of First Nations young people and the response involved references to 'community involvement and community buy in' and it being a 'collaborative' process:

- (a) Can you please elaborate on what that means?
- (b) In what ways is the community involved in the PDR targeting process?
- (90) What is the status of the compliance audit the State Intelligence Command was due to undertake six months after the implementation of the PDR and the 12-month review by NSW Police of the PDR, given the PDR has now been in place for more than a year?
- (a) Will the outcomes of the audit and review be made public or shared with the LECC, in order to enable it to oversee the PDR?

Deaths in Custody

- (91) Do you support the Operation Eachem's LECC Report recommending that section 201 Police Act 1990 be amended to change the time frame for commencing proceedings under section 201 to at least 12 months?
- (a) If so, when will the Government meet this recommendation?
- (b) If not, on what basis do you contest this recommendation?

Belmore Protest involving violent assault of Hannah Thomas

- (92) What was the Police's exact justification for citing emergency riot powers in the arrest of Hannah Thomas and four others on 27 June 2025?
- (93) What was the Police's exact justification for strip searching protesters?
- (94) On what basis do the NSW Police argue that the move-on directions in this protest were lawful?
- (95) Why did police reference Places of Worship in the fact sheet relating to these arrests?
- (96) Will you consider a Ministerial directive to the NSW Police, instructing them that move on orders cannot be issued at protests that occur near a place of worship but are not related to the place of worship itself?
- (97) What evidence do you have that police are supportive of their own powers to move on peaceful protestors who are not committing a crime?
- (98) Do you accept that protests are not simply "unauthorised" if a Form 1 is not submitted?
- (a) Why are police using "unauthorised protest" to justify hostility

- (99) Why did Assistant Commissioner McFadden say he had reviewed body-worn footage and found no evidence of misconduct, when body camera footage specifically showed Hannah Thomas being punched in the face?
- (a) Have you or the Acting Commissioner had any conversations with Brett McFadden with regard to this matter?
- i. If so, when?
- ii. If so, what were the outcomes of those discussions?
- iii. If not, why not?
- (100) Will you stand Assistant Commissioner McFadden down while an investigation takes place?
- (101) Has the officer who punched Ms Thomas been stood down?
- (a) Has any disciplinary action been taken against this officer?
- i. If so, when?
- ii. If so, of what nature?
- iii. If not, why not?
- (b) Is it your view that police who unlawfully punch women in the face should face no consequences for their actions?
- (102) How many times did police approach Ms Thomas for a statement after this matter?
- (a) Were any intermediaries used during this process?
- (103) What advice did police provide the Premier before June 30 2023, when he claimed that Ms Thomas was refusing to provide statements from the hospital
- (a) Did police inform the Premier that body-worn footage showed Ms Thomas being punched in the face by a police officer before or on June 30 2025?
- (b) Did the Premier or anyone from his department view body-worn footage before he made statements about it to the media on June 30 2025?

Cultural Fishing

- (104) How many First Nations people have been charged with an offence while engaging in cultural fishing in:
- (a) 2020?

- (b) 2021?
- (c) 2022?
- (d) 2023?
- (e) 2024?
- (f) 2025?

(105) How many First Nations people have been found guilty of an offence while engaging in cultural fishing in:

- (a) 2020?
- (b) 2021?
- (c) 2022?
- (d) 2023?
- (e) 2024?
- (f) 2025?

(106) How many First Nations people have been sentenced to jail for an offence while engaging in cultural fishing in:

- (a) 2020?
- (b) 2021?
- (c) 2022?
- (d) 2023?
- (e) 2024?
- (f) 2025?

(107) How many First Nations people have been fined after engaging in cultural fishing in:

- (a) 2020?
- (b) 2021?
- (c) 2022?
- (d) 2023?
- (e) 2024?

(f) 2025?

Nazi-backed Marches on 31 May 2025

- (108) What specific intelligence did the NSW Police have that the 31st of August “March for Australia” marches had been organized by Neo-Nazis?
- (109) Is it the view of the NSW Police that Nazi-backed marches represent a serious risk to public safety?
- (a) If not, why not?
- (b) If so, what steps did the police take to prevent Nazis from taking part in this March?
- (110) Did the NSW Police fail to keep the community safe, given two Palestinian men were the victims of a hate crime after this event?
- (111) What advice was given to the Premier with regard to this event?
- (a) Did police advise the Premier that Nazis were involved in this event before it occurred?
- (112) Given Nazis have staged hateful attacks on sacred sites like Camp Sovereignty in Victoria, do you hold concerns as Minister similar attacks may occur on First Nations sacred sites in New South Wales?

Police Assault on First Nations Woman in Bungedore

- (113) Have you reviewed video footage displaying that on 22 July 2025 an Aboriginal Woman, Jaleenah Collins, was forcefully shoved to the ground outside of a school on Ngarigo land?
- (a) What specific steps have you taken to investigate that incident?
- (b) Has the officer concerned been disciplined in any way?
- (c) Will you commit to standing that officer down?

Crime Prevention

- (114) Can you please provide a list of Police Districts that include Youth Action Meetings?
- (a) Will you commit to ensuring all Police Districts include Youth Action Meetings by the end of the Government’s term?
- (115) Can you please detail which of the 5 Closing the Gap priority locations have been determined as eligible for the expansion of the Safe Aboriginal Youth Patrol Programs?

- (a) Exactly what community consultation occurred, and when?
 - (b) Did consultation include conversations with Aboriginal Young People?
 - i. If so, what were the conclusions drawn from that consultation process?
 - ii. If not, why not?
- (116) How many Aboriginal people in each NSW LGA have been assisted through the Safe Aboriginal Youth Patrol Program in:
- (a) 2010?
 - (b) 2011?
 - (c) 2012?
 - (d) 2013?
 - (e) 2014?
 - (f) 2015?
 - (g) 2016?
 - (h) 2017?
 - (i) 2018?
 - (j) 2019?
 - (k) 2020?
 - (l) 2021?
 - (m) 2022?
 - (n) 2023?
 - (o) 2024?
 - (p) 2025 to date?

Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC

Data regarding police perpetrators of domestic, family and sexual violence

- (117) Can you please provide the latest available data for the following:

- (a) How many currently serving police officers have been, at any time, charged with crimes relating to domestic and family violence, broken down by specific crime, the penalty received, and each offender's rank at date of charge?
 - i. How many are still in the workplace?
 - ii. How many have been suspended?
 - iii. How many are not in the workplace due to a leave situation, and what is the nature of the leave situation (sick, recreational, with pay, without pay)?
- (b) How many currently serving police officers have, at any time, been found guilty but not convicted of crimes relating to domestic and family violence, broken down by specific crime, the penalty received, and each offender's rank at date of charge?
 - i. How many are still in the workplace?
 - ii. How many have been suspended?
 - iii. How many are not in the workplace due to a leave situation, and what is the nature of the leave situation (sick, recreational, with pay, without pay)?
- (c) How many currently serving police officers have been, at any time, charged with crimes relating to sexual violence, broken down by specific crime, the penalty received, and each offender's rank at date of charge?
 - i. How many are still in the workplace?
 - ii. How many have been suspended?
 - iii. How many are not in the workplace due to a leave situation, and what is the nature of the leave situation (sick, recreational, with pay, without pay)?
- (d) How many currently serving police officers have, at any time, been found guilty but not convicted of crimes relating to sexual violence, broken down by specific crime, the penalty received, and each offender's rank at date of charge?
 - i. How many are still in the workplace?
 - ii. How many have been suspended?
 - iii. How many are not in the workplace due to a leave situation, and what is the nature of the leave situation (sick, recreational, with pay, without pay)?

- (e) How many currently serving police officers have been, at any time, charged with crimes relating to other types of violence, broken down by specific crime, the penalty received, and each offender's rank at date of charge?
 - i. How many are still in the workplace?
 - ii. How many have been suspended?
 - iii. How many are not in the workplace due to a leave situation, and what is the nature of the leave situation (sick, recreational, with pay, without pay)?
- (f) How many currently serving police officers have, at any time, been found guilty but not convicted of crimes relating to other types of violence, broken down by specific crime, the penalty received, and each offender's rank at date of charge?
 - i. How many are still in the workplace?
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 - iii. How many are not in the workplace due to a leave situation, and what is the nature of the leave situation (sick, recreational, with pay, without pay)?

Updates to the NSW Police Force Domestic and Family Violence Standard Operating Procedures

- (118) In the 3 September 2025 hearing, Acting Deputy Commissioner McKenna said: "I've spoken to the DV sector about the SOPs, albeit before they were implemented, to give them an overview of it, and they've indicated their satisfaction." Can you please specify which organisations were consulted in relation to this, and the manner in which their satisfaction was indicated?
- (119) When will the updated NSW Police Force Domestic and Family Violence Standard Operating Procedures be uploaded to the NSW Police website?
- (120) Can you please explain in greater detail the changes that have been made, in comparison with what was previously in place?

Misidentification

- (121) Recommendation 12 in the LECC's report *Review of NSW Police Force responses to family and domestic violence incidents* was that "the NSW Police Force Domestic and Family Violence Standard Operating Procedures provide additional guidance to police officers to help them in correctly identifying the primary aggressor and the primary victim of domestic and family

violence incidents.” Given the NSW Police Force agreed with this recommendation in principle, what action has been taken since June 2023 to implement this?

- (a) The LECC’s report addressed the issue of misidentification, noting that misidentification of victims as the primary aggressor in domestic and family violence incidents remains an issue, for reasons including inadequate training of police officers on the complexities of domestic and family violence, victims being too traumatised to provide police officers with an adequate statement at first contact, police officers accepting the offender’s version of events, police officers failing to examine if there is a history of domestic and family violence between the parties, and cases where female victims had previously withdrawn ADVO proceedings. What action has been taken to address these factors identified by the LECC?
- (b) The LECC’s report noted that the Code of Practice for the NSW Police Force Response to Domestic and Family Violence provides no specific guidance about identifying the primary aggressor; but simply states that officers should consult their supervisor or a Domestic Violence Liaison Officer (DVLO) if they have difficulties determining who the primary victim is. By contrast, the Victorian Code of Practice includes indicators in relation to identifying the primary aggressor. Noting that in the 3 September 2025 hearing, Acting Deputy Commissioner McKenna indicated that NSW Police does not use the terms primary aggressor or misidentification, is there any intention to introduce indicators similar to what is in place in Victoria?
- (c) In the 3 September 2025 hearing, Acting Deputy Commissioner McKenna said in relation to the issue of misidentification: “I have had our police prosecutors branch do a review across the whole of the State. They tell me this is not an endemic issue at all.” Can you please explain the nature of this review, how it was conducted, and what the results were?

Firearms

(122) What is the process for restricting, suspending, seizing and returning a police officer’s personal firearm(s) when they are:

- (a) subject to an ADVO?
- (b) subject to DFV allegations that the police become aware of?
- (c) subject to sexual violence allegations that the police become aware of?

- (d) charged with a DFV offence?
 - (e) charged with a sexual violence offence?
 - (f) charged with other violent offences?
 - (g) found guilty of a DFV offence?
 - (h) found guilty of a sexual violence offence?
 - (i) found guilty of other violent offences?
 - (j) convicted of a DFV offence?
 - (k) convicted of a sexual violence offence?
 - (l) convicted of other violent offences?
- (123) What is the process for restricting, suspending, seizing and returning a police officer's service firearm when they are:
- (a) subject to an ADVO?
 - (b) subject to DFV allegations that the police become aware of?
 - (c) subject to sexual violence allegations that the police become aware of?
 - (d) charged with a DFV offence?
 - (e) charged with a sexual violence offence?
 - (f) charged with other violent offences?
 - (g) found guilty of a DFV offence?
 - (h) found guilty of a sexual violence offence?
 - (i) found guilty of other violent offences?
 - (j) convicted of a DFV offence?
 - (k) convicted of a sexual violence offence?
 - (l) convicted of other violent offences?
- (124) In the last three financial years (2021-22 to 2024-25 FY), broken down by officer rank:
- (a) How many police officers who were subject to an ADVO held a personal firearms licence?

- i. Of these, how many had their licence suspended, seized and restricted following being subject to an ADVO?
- (b) How many police officers charged with a DFV offence held a personal firearms licence?
 - i. Of these, how many had their licence suspended, seized and restricted following being charged?
- (c) How many police officers found guilty of a DFV offence held a personal firearms licence?
 - i. Of these, how many had their licence suspended, seized and restricted following being found guilty?
- (d) How many police officers convicted of a DFV offence had a personal firearms licence?
 - i. Of these, how many had their licence suspended, seized and restricted following their conviction?
- (e) How many police officers who were subject to an ADVO did not have their service firearm restricted?
- (f) How many ADVO applications against police officers included no information on what actions police had taken to secure the service firearms of involved officers?
- (g) How many ADVO applications against police officers included inconclusive information on what actions police had taken to secure the service firearms of involved officers?
- (h) How many police officers charged with a DFV offence did not have their service firearm restricted?
- (i) How many police officers found guilty of a DFV offence did not have their service firearm restricted?
- (j) How many police officers convicted of a DFV offence did not have their service firearm restricted?

Police recordkeeping regarding discontinuing sexual assault complaints

(125) NSW is still the only jurisdiction in Australia that does not routinely record and report reasons for sexual assault allegations being withdrawn or discontinued. Given that sexual

assault is the least likely violent crime to be reported, investigated, prosecuted and convicted, and according to BOCSAR the largest point of attrition of sexual assaults is seen during the police investigation stage, when will the NSW government finally take action to require NSW Police to keep a record of the reasons given for why people who have made sexual assault complaints then choose to discontinue those complaints?

(126) What is the current status of the IPOS project or other work being undertaken to modernise COPS? Who has been contracted to perform this work? Please provide details.

(127) On 3 June 2025, the NSW Legislative Council passed my motion regarding the disproportionately high attrition rates of sexual assault, which called on the NSW government to “take urgent action to prioritise sexual violence prevention and response, including by investing in services and programs that support victim-survivors to access recovery and justice options, exercise their rights and navigate the justice system.” What action has the Minister taken in relation to this?

Police interaction with people with disability

(128) The Disability Royal Commission heard evidence that police are frequently damaging people with disability, undermining their right to justice, and enabling violence and exploitation against them. Police responses were found to be ‘on the whole, inadequate’, failing to promote safety and protect people with a disability, whether they were victims, witnesses and alleged offenders. Given that the NSW government has previously ruled out introducing Disability Liaison Officers which was a recommendation out of the Disability Royal Commission, what is the NSW government doing to improve police responses to people with disability, particularly people with cognitive disability, people with psychosocial disabilities, and women with a disability who are experiencing violence who are more likely to have contact with the criminal justice system?

- (a) What are the barriers preventing the NSW government from introducing Disability Liaison Officers?
- (b) Will the NSW government consider funding a trial of Disability Liaison Officers to test their success, particularly given the success of the Aged Crime Prevention Officers?

Ageing and Disability Reference Group

(129) Has the NSW Police Force’s Ageing and Disability Reference Group been established yet?

- (a) If yes:
 - i. Who is part of the group, and what are their roles?
 - ii. Do members receive remuneration for their participation?
 - iii. How was membership of the reference group determined?
- (b) If no, when will it be established?

Funding for domestic violence

(130) Will the NSW Government commit to long-term, recurrent funding for the Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Scheme Hearing Support Pilot?

- (a) If not, why not?

(131) Will the NSW Government commit to long-term, recurrent funding for the Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Scheme and NSW Police Force Co-location Pilot, and expansion beyond the 10 pilot sites?

- (a) If not, why not?

(132) Will the NSW Government invest in Police responses to surveillance and tracking device detection after the Hakea report identified the correlation between organised crime and domestic violence?

- (a) If not, why not?

Artificial intelligence

(133) How many times has facial recognition technology been used to generate leads to assist investigations, in:

- (a) FY23/24
- (b) FY24/25
- (c) FY25/26 to date

(134) Please provide the minutes and agendas for all NSW Police Force AI and Emerging Biometrics Ethics Board meetings since January 2024 to date.

(135) When was the last time the NSW Police Facial Recognition Policy was updated?

(136) How many standard operating procedures regarding facial recognition exist and what are they called?

- (a) When were they last updated?
- (137) What facial recognition technology does NSW Police use?
- (138) What biometric data is used by NSW Police for the purposes of investigations?
- (139) How many times has artificial intelligence, machine learning or other Automated Decision Making software been used to assist in policing activities of any type?
- (140) What guidelines, rules or policies determine when AI, Machine Learning or other Automated Decision Making software are used in policing?
 - (a) When was each policy or rule last updated?
- (141) What was the reason for Cognitec being disabled in Phototrac?
- (142) In 2021, NSW Police approached the market to replace PhotoTrac with an integrated biometrics capture and analysis platform capable of creating a “complete biometric profile of an offender” in order to better “anticipate, detect and disrupt crime”. Has that procurement now occurred?
 - (a) What is the status of the integrated biometric capture and analysis platform project; at what stage is it and when is it expected to be deployed?
 - (b) If it has already been deployed, how is it being used?
 - i. How many times has it been used since it came into operation?
- (143) How are police using FiveCast’s Onyx platform?
 - (a) Who is allowed to use it?
 - (b) What guardrails are placed around its use?
 - (c) Does its use require sign-off from senior leadership?
 - (d) How many times has it been used?
 - (e) Has NSW Police received legal advice regarding its use?

Questions from the Opposition

POLICE AND COUNTER-TERRORISM

Police Numbers

- (144) What is the authorised strength of the NSW Police Force?
- (145) What is the current strength of the NSW Police Force?

(146) How many vacant positions are there in the NSW Police Force (sworn and unsworn positions)?

(147) Can you please provide the numbers for how many Police Officers are currently (as of September 2025) on:

- (a) Leave
- (b) Workers Compensation
- (c) Parental
- (d) Long Service
- (e) Leave without pay
- (f) Sick leave
- (g) Mental Health leave
- (h) Suspended (with and without pay)

(148) Can you please provide the authorised and current strength for the following departments -

- (a) Public Order and Riot Squad
- (b) Traffic and Highway Patrol
- (c) Aviation Command
- (d) Bicycle Unit
- (e) Dog Unit (for handlers and dogs)
- (f) Detectives
- (g) Marine Area Command
- (h) Mounted Police Unit
- (i) Police Transport Command

(149) How many classes attested from the NSW Police Force academy in the following years and what was the size of each class –

- (a) 2022
- (b) 2023
- (c) 2024

- (d) 2025 (as of September)
- (150) What is the rate of fail or drop out in students completing the four months of online training?
- (151) What is the rate of fail or drop out in students completing the four months of in person training?
- (152) For the following classes, how many students failed to graduate?
- (a) Class 366
 - (b) Class 365
 - (c) Class 364
 - (d) Class 363
 - (e) Class 362
 - (f) Class 361
- (153) For the following years, how many probationary constables did not finish their first twelve month in the job?
- (a) 2023
 - (b) 2024
 - (c) 2025 (as of September)

Protests

- (154) How many protests occurred in the following years
- (a) 2022
 - (b) 2023
 - (c) 2024
 - (d) 2025 (as of September)
- (155) How many protests were applied for in the following years
- (a) 2022
 - (b) 2023
 - (c) 2024
 - (d) 2025 (as of September)

- (156) How much has the NSW Police Force spend on protests in the last 12 months from September 2024 to September 2025?
- (157) What was the total cost of the Sydney Harbour Bridge protest to the NSW Police Force?
- (158) What is the hourly rate for a general duties officer on a user-pay shift on Sunday rates?
- (159) Were any traffic management or emergency service disruptions recorded during this protest, and how was public safety managed during that time?
- (160) How many NSW Police officers were involved in the Sydney Harbour Bridge protest? Please provide a breakdown of units and roles.
- (161) What police stations across NSW were unmanned or understaffed on Sunday 3rd August 2025?
- (162) Can you please provide a breakdown of authorised and current staffing levels for each police station in the metropolitan region for Sunday 3rd August?
- (163) What is the biggest protest crowd recorded by the NSW Police? Please specify what event this was.
- (164) What is the biggest crowd number the NSW Police Force is equipped to manage?
- (165) What has been the cumulative cost to date to NSW Police for all protest activity in New South Wales since October 7, 2023?
- (166) What is the cumulative cost to date to NSW Police for Operation SHELTER?
- (167) What is the cumulative cost to date to NSW Police for Operation SHIELD?
- (168) Can you describe the flow-on effect to day-to-day policing from the diversion of resources to protest management in the Sydney CBD?

Capital Expenditure

- (169) How much was allocated to NSW Police Force Budget in 2024/25 financial year?
- (170) How much will be allocated to NSW Police Force Budget in 2025/26 financial year?
- (171) Please list all capital expenditure projects and their funding allocation to be undertaken, started or completed in the 24/25 financial year?
- (172) Please list any resources or equipment upgrades and their funding allocation to be undertaken, started or completed in the 24/25 financial year?

Police Stations

(173) Please list what stations or buildings are earmarked for upgrades in the following years?

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2026
- (c) 2027

(174) Please list new stations or buildings planned for construction in the following years?

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2026
- (c) 2027

(175) Please list all stations the Minister for Police has visited since assuming the position and what month and year the Minister visited.

Highway Patrol

(176) How many roadside breath tests and roadside drug tests were conducted by NSW Police each year for the past five years?

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2024
- (c) 2023
- (d) 2022
- (e) 2021
- (f) 2020

(177) Have there been any cuts to Highway Patrol funding, staffing, or resourcing in the last two years — and if so, what are they?

(178) How many random drug tests and breath tests have returned positive results in each of the following years – please list how many drug tests conducted, breath tests conducted and how many of each came back positive.

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2024

- (c) 2023
- (d) 2022
- (e) 2021
- (f) 2020

- (179) What is the current ratio of Highway Patrol officers to vehicles on NSW roads — and what was that ratio five and ten years ago?
- (180) What KPIs or benchmarks are currently in place to evaluate the effectiveness of NSW Police road safety operations?
- (181) What road safety or education campaigns are being introduced by the NSW Government to combat rising road trauma?
- (182) For motor vehicle accidents attended by NSW Police, how many were in metro areas and how many were in regional areas? (for the year 2025)
- (183) Of those motor vehicle accidents, how many in metro and regional areas were fatal? (for the year 2025)

Knife Laws

- (184) How many wand operations have been conducted this year?
 - (a) How many weapons were seized?
 - (b) How many arrests were made?
- (185) How many wand operations were conducted last year?
 - (a) How many weapons were seized?
 - (b) How many arrests were made?
- (186) How many wands are there in NSW?
- (187) Where are they?
- (188) Is there a plan to purchase more wands?
- (189) Where will these wands be sourced?
- (190) Is there a budget allocation for additional wands?
- (191) Have all NSW Police Officers received wand training?

- (192) How many times in the past 12 months have NSW Police been called to a school in response to reports of a knife being sighted, brought to, or suspected to be on school grounds?
- (193) How many times in the past 12 months have NSW Police been called to a school in response to reports of a firearm being sighted, brought to, or suspected to be on school grounds?
- (194) How many times in the past 12 months have NSW Police been called to a school in response to reports of any other form of weapon being sighted, brought to, or suspected to be on school grounds?
- (195) How many of those incidents involved confirmed possession of a knife or firearm by a student or other individual on school property?
- (196) How many fire-arm related incidents occurred in NSW schools in the following years?
- (a) 2025
 - (b) 2024
 - (c) 2023
 - (d) 2022
 - (e) 2021
 - (f) 2020
- (197) How many knife related incidents occurred in NSW schools in the following years?
- (a) 2025
 - (b) 2024
 - (c) 2023
 - (d) 2022
 - (e) 2021
 - (f) 2020

Domestic Violence

- (198) What policy is enforced to deal with an officer of the NSW Police Force who is accused of acts of domestic violence? Can you please provide a copy of the policy?
- (199) What policy is enforced to deal with an officer of the NSW Police Force who is being investigated for domestic violence? Can you please provide a copy of the policy?

- (200) What is the investigation process? Can a copy of the relevant policy or procedure be provide?
- (201) What training does each NSW Police Officer receive in relation to domestic violence?
- (202) How many incidents of domestic violence were recorded in 2024 in NSW?
- (203) How many incidents of domestic violence have been recorded in 2025 in NSW so far?
- (204) How many compliance checks on domestic violence offenders were conducted in 2024?
- (205) How many breaches were identified?
- (206) How many compliance checks on domestic violence offenders have been conducted in 2025 so far?
- (207) How many breaches were identified?

Law Enforcement Complaint Commission

- (208) How many complaints are received each year to the Law Enforcement Complaints Commission?
- (a) Could you clarify for the following years?
- i. 2021
 - ii. 2022
 - iii. 2023
 - iv. 2024
 - v. 2025
- (209) How many of these complaints are fully investigated?
- (210) How many of these complaints are independently investigated?
- (211) What number of complaints are being referred back to the Police Force for internal investigation?
- (212) For complaints referred back to the NSW Police Force, what processes are in place to ensure these complaints are investigated independently?
- (213) What funding did LECC receive in the 2025/2026 financial year?
- (214) What funding did LECC receive in the 2024/2025 financial year?
- (215) What funding did LECC receive in the 2023/2024 financial year?

(216) Are there any plans to increase funding for LECC?

(217) For the following years how much has the NSW Police Force paid out to victims as compensation or for other reasons.

(a) 2023

(b) 2024

(c) 2025

Drug Use

(218) How many crimes were committed by a person under the influence of drugs in 2024?

(219) What are the top five illicit drugs used in NSW? Please list in order from 1. Most used.

(220) Can you please provide a breakdown by region of the most drug using areas and what drugs are used.

(221) What events will be part of the pill testing trial, please share a list.

Operational Disengagement Scheme

(222) How many NSW Police officers left under the Optional Disengagement Scheme?

(223) What was the total figure for financial compensation for these officers?

(224) How many NSW Police officers left under the new Optional Disengagement Scheme?

(225) What is the total figure for financial compensation for these officers?

Counter-Terrorism

(226) What are the top five threats to NSW right now?

(227) For the following years how many perceived threats have been registered by NSW Police surveillance -

(a) 2023

(b) 2024

(c) So far this year (2025)

(228) For the following years how many potential attacks have been prevented by NSW Police surveillance

(a) 2023

(b) 2024

(c) So far this year (2025)

(229) For the following years how many individuals have been arrested in relation to terror offences

(a) 2023

(b) 2024

(c) So far this year (2025)

Missing Persons

(230) As at 30 June 2025, how many drones/UAV's were owned and operated by the NSW Police Force under their respective ReOC?

(231) Of these drones/UAV's, can you please provide a breakdown of how many are located at Bankstown Airport, and how many and where are these assets located?

(a) Where across the state are these assets located?

(b) Who determines where a drone/uav is to be stationed?

(c) Are the drones/uav's kept by the officer pilots or stored at their respective LAC's?

(232) How many of these assets are able to be utilised in all weather?

(233) Can you provide a breakdown, from 01 January 2025 up to and including 30 June 2025:

(a) How many flight hours have been logged on these drones?

(b) How many are certified by CASA for night flying?

(c) How many have an all weather rating (IP65/66)?

(d) How many have thermal imaging capabilities?

(e) How many have a Lidar capability?

(f) How many hours have these drones been logged for accident investigations operations?

(g) How many hours have these drones logged for incident operational overwatch operations?

(h) How many hours have been logged for SAR operations?

- (i) How many hours have been logged for other operations on behalf of other emergency services?
 - (j) How many of these assets are ADS-B compliant?
- (234) How many CASA certified drone pilots are authorised pilots for the NSW Police Force as at 30 June 2025?
- (a) Where are these pilots located according to LAC's?
 - (b) How many have undertaken thermography training?
 - (c) How many have undertaken Lidar training
 - (d) How many pilots are certified for night operations?
 - (e) How many have EVLOS qualifications?
 - (f) How many have BVLOS qualifications?
- (235) How many CASA certified drone pilots are authorised pilots for the NSW Police Force as at 30 June 2024?
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 - (b) How many have undertaken thermography training?
 - (c) How many have undertaken Lidar training
 - (d) How many pilots are certified for night operations?
 - (e) How many have EVLOS qualifications?
 - (f) How many have BVLOS qualifications?
- (238) Is the GPS data captured by the drones during ALL flights automatically uploaded to the NSW Police COPS system?
- (a) If not, where is the data uploaded to? Is this data captured in the POLSAR system or is there a separate flight data program utilised by the NSW Police to manage this data?
 - (b) What is the annual cost of this flight data system to operate and manage?
 - (c) Do all employees of NSW Police Force have access to this flight data system when actively investigating active investigations?
- (239) How many Drones/UAV's do NSW Police have access to and from what agencies are these assets available from?
- (240) What is the annual cost to the NSW Government for the NSW Police drone program?
- (a) What is the cost of maintenance of the drones annually?
 - (b) What is the cost of the annual battery management program?
 - (c) What are the annual fees due to CASA and independent regulators for the program?
 - (d) What is the cost to train drone pilots in
 - i. 2025
 - ii. 2024
 - iii. 2023
 - iv. 2022
 - v. 2021
 - (e) What organisation/s are currently tasked with training NSW Police drone pilots?

- (241) Has the NSW Police Officer responsible and tasked with the management and oversight for the drone program had conversations, communicated with or had training with Search (NSW) to view their state of the art AI technologies utilised in missing persons investigations?
- (242) What department is responsible for the NSW Police drone capability?
- (a) Who is responsible for a drone to be deployed?
 - (b) Who has the authority to deploy a drone at an incident scene?
 - (c) Between 01 Jan and 30 June 2025, what was the average response time for a drone deployed within the NSW Police?
- (243) What NSW Police officers are authorised to access the POLSAR mapping system operated and overseen by NSW Police?
- (a) Is this the only mapping system utilised by NSW Police or are there other GPS mapping systems utilised in conjunction with POLSAR?
 - (b) If other mapping systems are utilised, what are they?
 - (c) Are detectives able to directly access search information on the POLSAR or other mapping systems operated by the NSW Police or are they required to file a formal request for access to the information or data?
 - (d) Do NSW Police dog squad officers have access to the POLSAR system?
 - (e) How do NSW Police GPS track a dogs movements within POLSAR?
 - (f) How many times have the NSW Police dog squad captured GPS data for their operations between 01 Jan and 30 June 2025?
- (244) Are all investigators (of any rank) assigned to missing persons investigations trained in the use, and, provided access to, the POLSAR mapping system or other mapping systems utilised officially by the NSW Police Force?
- (245) Are all investigators (of any rank) assigned to missing persons investigations trained in the use and provided access to the Lost Person Behaviour training utilised officially by the NSW Police Force?
- (a) How often is this training updated?
 - (b) Is this information trained internally or provided by external agencies?
 - (c) When was the last time this information was updated?

- (d) Where does NSW Police access it's data for Lost Persons Behaviour?
- (246) What internal stakeholders/departments/squads are potentially utilised when a person is reported missing?
- (247) Throughout the entire missing person's investigation, is there just one officer, from one squad/section/department given carriage of the investigation or does management of the investigation continually change?
 - (a) If it changes, how is the entire investigation team kept abreast of all incoming information?
 - (b) Is the family/Next of Kin advised and updated of who is currently overseeing the investigation?
 - (c) Is there a matrix that advises officers involved in missing persons investigation of their obligations to keep the families abreast of current information throughout the investigation? If so what are these guidelines.
- (248) Is there a public record of all long term missing persons, published by the NSW Police Force, with photograph/s, date and time last seen, description of clothing as well as circumstances surrounding the disappearance, available given that the numbers provided by the NSW Police vary from those listed on the National Missing Persons Coordination Centre's website?
- (249) There were 9503 missing persons located in NSW in 2024 according to recent questions on notice. How many where:
 - (a) Located by NSW Police Force
 - (b) Located by registered Emergency Services
 - (c) Located by NGO's
 - (d) Located by members of the public
- (250) There were 10,739 missing persons located in NSW in 2023 according to recent questions on notice. How many were;
 - (a) Located by NSW Police Force
 - (b) Located by registered Emergency Services
 - (c) Located by NGO's
 - (d) Located by members of the public

- (251) There were 9,676 missing persons located in NSW in 2022 according to recent questions on notice. How many were;
- (a) Located by NSW Police Force
 - (b) Located by registered Emergency Services
 - (c) Members of the public
- (252) There were 9,106 missing persons located in NSW in 2021 according to recent questions on notice. How many were;
- (a) Located by NSW Police Force
 - (b) Located by registered Emergency Services
 - (c) Members of the public
- (253) There were 3,989 persons reported missing in 2025 according to HANSARD records as of 31 May 2025. Of those reports;
- (a) How many involved a multi-agency search
 - (b) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the NSWSES
 - (c) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the Rural Fire Service?
 - (d) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the VRA Rescue NSW?
 - (e) How many times did the NSW Police directly request the assistance of the VRA Search Dogs?
 - (f) How many times did the NSW Police request the support of any other agencies or Forensic archaeologists (Opstar, SDS, Search (NSW), Search Dogs Sydney Inc etc)
- (254) There were 9,714 persons reported missing in 2024 according to HANSARD records as of those reports;
- (a) How many involved a multi agency search?
 - (b) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the NSWSES?
 - (c) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the Rural Fire Service?
 - (d) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the VRA Rescue NSW?
 - (e) How many times did the NSW Police directly request the support of the NSW VRA Search Dogs?

- (f) How many times did the NSW Police request the support of any other agencies or Forensic Archaeologists (Opstar, SDS, Search (NSW) etc)
- (255) There were 10,977 persons reported missing in 2023 according to HANSARD records as of those reports;
- (a) How many involved a multi agency search?
 - (b) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the NSWSES
 - (c) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the Rural Fire Service?
 - (d) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the VRA Rescue NSW?
 - (e) How many times did the NSW Police request the support of any other agencies or forensic archaeologists (Opstar, SDS, Search (NSW) etc)
- (256) There were 9,913 persons reported missing in 2022 according to HANSARD records as of those reports;
- (a) How many involved a multi agency search
 - (b) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the NSWSES
 - (c) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the Rural Fire Service?
 - (d) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the VRA Rescue NSW?
 - (e) How many times did the NSW Police request the services of the NSW VRA Search Dogs?
 - (f) How many times did the NSW Police request the support of any other agencies or forensic archaeologists (Opstar, SDS, Search (NSW) etc)
- (257) There were 9,335 persons reported missing in 2021 according to HANSARD records as of those reports;
- (a) How many involved a multi agency search
 - (b) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the NSWSES
 - (c) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the Rural Fire Service?
 - (d) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the VRA Rescue NSW?
 - (e) How many times did the NSW Police request the support of any other agencies or forensic archaeologists (Opstar, SDS, Search (NSW) etc)

- (258) There were 9,933 persons reported missing in 2020 according to HANSARD records as of those reports;
- (a) How many involved a multi agency search
 - (b) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the NSWSES
 - (c) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the Rural Fire Service?
 - (d) How many times did the NSW Police request the assistance of the VRA Rescue NSW?
 - (e) How many times did the NSW Police request the support of any other agencies or forensic archaeologists (Opstar, SDS, Search (NSW) etc)
- (259) What department within the NSW Police Force is responsible for accurately tracking missing persons reports, their status, how long it took for them to be located, ensuring that a peer review was undertaken and the resources required to undertake the search were suitable, and to ensure that all investigative leads and NSW Police Policies and guidelines were adhered to?
- (260) Do the NSW Police provide vital search information to the ISRID database;
- (a) If not why not?
 - (b) Who is responsible for the tabulation and correlation of this data?
- (261) As at 31 May 2025, the acting Police Minister advised that there were 836 long term missing persons in NSW. Can you please provide a breakdown of -
- (a) How many and what cases have been actively investigated by the Unsolved Homicide Unit over the past 12 months?
 - (b) How many and what cases have been actively investigated by the Missing Persons Register over the past 12 months?
 - (c) How many cases have been allocated to Local Area Commands and been actively investigated in the past 12 months?
 - (d) How many cases have been actively investigated by other specialist squads within the NSW Police and who those squads are in the past 12 months?
 - (e) How many of those cases have had an active search undertaken to locate the missing person?
 - (f) How many of those cases have the NSW Police provided an update or status report to the Next of Kin, in the past 12 months?

- (g) How many of those cases have a reward offered?
 - (h) What determines if a reward is offered for a missing persons?
- (262) As at 31 May 2025, of the 836 long term missing persons, how many have had an active search undertaken to locate their remains in the past 12 months
- (a) What resources were deployed?
 - (b) What squads were responsible for the search?
 - (c) What squads actively participated in the searches?
 - (d) Where any remains or the missing person located?
 - (e) How many of those searches involved a cadaver dog?
- (263) As at 31 May 2025, how many bodies/human remains are outstanding or yet to be located after courts have determined that a murder/manslaughter took place?
- (264) What specific training is provided to Police Officers who are tasked with investigating the long term missing persons?
- (a) Do they receive training for managing and identifying if a family member may be enduring mental health issues?
 - (b) Do they receive training to guide them through the financial difficulties faced by remaining family members to manage a missing persons financial affairs?
 - (c) Do they receive training about supporting these family members when navigating the coronial process?
 - (d) What training is provided to liaise with family members and for regular contact to be maintained throughout the investigation?
 - (e) What training is provided to investigating officers to ensure that the missing person and their loved ones are not provided the same treatment as a person under a criminal investigation?
- (265) What are the guidelines or procedures set down by NSW Police with regards to informing the Next of Kin or other authorised family members when information is ascertained about missing person investigation once they have been referred to a coronial inquest?
- (a) What guidance and support is provided to the family by the NSW Police?
 - (b) What mental health support is provided to the family by the NSW Police?

- (c) Is there a Family Liaison Officer tasked to the family by the NSW Police?
- (266) What are the guidelines or procedures set down by NSW Police with regards to informing the Next of Kin or other authorised family members when information is ascertained about missing person investigation after there being a coronial inquest?
- (a) What mental health support is provided to the families by the NSW Police?
 - (b) What legal advice is provided by NSW Police as to the missing persons families options?
 - (c) What are the ramifications to the NSW Police by not following a Coroners recommendations?
 - (d) Has this authority in the past 3 years made any recommendations that have highlighted failures to adhere to coronial recommendations?
 - i. What cases were the determinations/findings referring to?
- (267) Will the NSW Police be providing an update on the independent investigation into the 27 year old male that was bitten by a NSW Police dog in bushland on the Central Coast;
- (a) Was the male provided with compensation given the nature of his injuries?
 - (b) What mental health support has the NSW Police provided?
 - (c) What were the findings of an investigation in relation to the deployment of a bite trained dog despite the NATSAR manual (Section 4, Subsection 13.25) recommending against this action?
 - (d) How long was the Sergeant who also ascertained injuries from the dog off work?
 - (e) Was a Peer Review undertaken into this missing persons incident?
 - (f) Were the attending officers adequately trained to manage a mental health incident?
 - (g) Given that the male had left a mental health facility, was sighted on the M1 at night, what risk assessments were undertaken to ensure that proper mental health procedures were undertaken?
 - (h) Was there a Critical Incident declared? If not why not? What is the standard for a Critical Incident to have been declared?
 - (i) Was this matter investigated by Professional Standards?

- (j) Does the Minister believe that the deployment of bite trained dogs to mental health missing persons is ethical?
- (268) Of the 836 long term missing persons, how many of these families have been contacted since 01 July 2024, to provide them with an update or status report of the current investigation?
- (269) Of the 836 long term missing persons, how many have had additional physical searches undertaken since January 1 2025?
- (270) Of the currently listed 836 long term missing persons here in NSW, how many of these cases involved a multi agency search operation at any point in the investigation?
- (271) According to the National Search and Rescue (NATSAR) Manual, endorsed by the NSW Police Minister in 2017, Section 6.8, Subsection 6.8.1, how many of the 836 long term missing persons investigations have had a formal, structured Peer Review?
- (a) How many of those peer reviews were undertaken by employees of the NSW Police Force?
 - (b) How many of these peer reviews were undertaken into NSW Police actions by external agencies on behalf of the NSW Police Force?
 - (c) What are the findings of these peer reviews and when will these reviews be made public?
 - (d) What training did the officers conducting the Peer Review undertake?
 - (e) What are the minimum skills, training and experience standards applied by NSW Police to enable an officer to undertake a Peer Review as set down by the NATSAR Manual?
 - (f) How many current officers hold these skills and experience?
- (272) According to the National Search and Rescue (NATSAR) Manual, Section 6.8, Subsection 6.8.1, how many of the 9714 missing persons investigations in 2024, have had a formal, structured Peer Review?
- (a) How many of those peer reviews were undertaken by employees of the NSW Police Force?
 - (b) How many were undertaken into NSW Police actions by external agencies on behalf of the NSW Police Force?

- (c) What are the findings of these peer reviews and when will these reviews be made public?
- (273) According to the National Search and Rescue (NATSAR) Manual, Section 6.8, Subsection 6.8.1, how many of the 3989 missing persons investigations in 2025 (as at 31 May 2025) have had a formal, structured Peer Review?
- (a) How many of those peer reviews were undertaken by employees of the NSW Police Force?
 - (b) How many were undertaken into NSW Police actions by external agencies on behalf of the NSW Police Force?
 - (c) What are the findings of these peer reviews and when will these reviews be made public?
- (274) According to the National Search and Rescue (NATSAR) Manual, endorsed by the NSW Police in 2017, Section 6.8, Subsection 6.8.1, SAR operations should have had a formal, structured Peer Review. Was a peer review undertaken into missing person, now deceased, Adrian Banciu:
- (a) Did the peer review undertaken look into the over 20 minute telephone call to '000', by now deceased man Adrian Banciu and highlight how we can make the call takers questions relevant and that if a missing person is requesting rescue from a helicopter that this should be made available?
 - (b) Did the peer review undertaken highlight that Mr Banciu search was suspended by NSW Police due to a lack of one police rescue officer not being able to attend, and that a Police Officer is not required to oversee trained personnel to continue a search?
 - (c) Did the peer review highlight the issues with a failure to adequately secure all possible CCTV applicable to his last known position?
 - (d) Did a peer review highlight the issues associated with the legislation pertaining to locating and triangulating a missing person's location utilising current advanced mobile technologies?
 - (e) Did the peer review highlight the lack of mental health support provided by the NSW Police Force to the family, who, on Valentines Day, February 14, 2024 located the body of another missing and vulnerable man Adam Coulson, missing August 2023 in Galston Gorge?

- (f) Did the peer review highlight that NSW Police did not have dogs trained or available to assist in the search for Mr Banciu?
 - (g) Did the peer review highlight that when the family requested the VRA dogs assist that the NSW Police declined external assistance?
 - (h) Did the peer review highlight the problems that arose at Bankstown Airport as the Pilot responsible for the aerial search did not have keys and subsequently was unable to refuel the aircraft to continue the search operations?
 - (i) Did the peer review highlight the issues faced by no police search teams tasked to search the same areas each day because there was a different search commander allocated by the NSW Police and the challenges and frustrations faced when different search commanders attend the same searches with vastly differing strategies?
 - (j) Did the peer review look at the GPS data of the Banciu and Coulson searches to highlight why a deceased missing person was not located in the areas searched by authorities and why it is necessary for every member involved in a search be GPS tracked, not just one member of each designated search team?
- (275) What support has the NSW Police provided the Banciu family, whose missing loved one was located deceased by members of the public in April 2024:
- (a) Has the family been offered any professional mental health support for the trauma associated with locating another missing man deceased, Adam Coulson, in an area that NSW Police had previously advised had been search 'many times' by authorities?
 - (b) Has the NSW Police provided support and assistance to the family whilst the matter is investigated by the coroner?
 - (c) Has the NSW Police provided the family with any guidance or support since the funeral of their missing son and prior to a coronial inquest?
- (276) According to the National Search and Rescue (NATSAR) Manual, endorsed by the NSW Police in 2017, Section 6.8, Subsection 6.8.1, SAR operations should have had a formal, structured Peer Review. Was a peer review undertaken into the former missing person, now located deceased, Adam Coulson;
- (a) Did the peer review undertaken highlight why Mr Coulson search was suspended by NSW Police?

- (b) Did the peer review highlight the issues with a failure to adequately secure all possible CCTV applicable to his last known position?
- (c) Did a peer review highlight the issues associated with the legislation pertaining to locating and triangulating a missing persons location utilising current advanced mobile technologies?
- (d) Did the peer review highlight the lack of mental health support provided by the NSW Police Force to the family?
- (e) Did the peer review highlight that NSW Police did not have dogs trained or available to assist in the search for Mr Coulson?
- (f) Did the peer review highlight the issues faced by non police (emergency services) search teams tasked to search the same areas each day because there was a different search commander allocated by the NSW Police and the challenges and frustrations faced when different search commanders attend the same searches with vastly differing strategies?
- (g) Did the peer review highlight the frustrations with volunteer personnel when awaiting police to arrive from Zetland HQ to Galstone daily, with some searches not commencing until after 11am when the teams where requested onsite at 8:00am? Wasting valuable volunteer and daylight hours?
- (h) Did the peer review look at the GPS data of the Banciu and Coulson searches to highlight why a deceased missing person was not located in the areas searched by authorities and why it is necessary for every member involved in a search be GPS tracked, not just one member of the team?
- (i) Did the peer review highlight the lack of training by many members that assisted the search?
- (j) Did the peer review highlight why his body was not located by emergency services personnel within the allocated search areas and within 500m of his vehicle being located?

(277) How many members of the NSW Police form the Police Media Unit?

- (a) Are these members rostered 24 hours a day?

(278) There have been many recent missing persons reports provided to social media by the NSW Police Force, why is commenting turned off on these posts, yet other posts commenting is left available.

- (a) What department is responsible for the NSW Police public facebook and social media sites?
- (b) Who within the NSW Police Force is responsible for determining if a missing persons has a social media post issued?
- (c) Why are comments on missing persons posts turned off?
- (d) Are there many members of the public that would report information via social media who are apprehensive of providing information directly to police or Crimestoppers?
- (e) Given the algorithms utilised by Meta etc, would a better reach not be achieved to allow commenting to continue on missing persons posts?
- (f) When a request for assistance is made to the public and media for assistance to locate a missing person, why does the NSW Police not reach out to specialists organisations simultaneously seeking not only public but specialists support?

(279) Up to 30 June 2025, how many times has:

- (a) A Geotargeted SMS been issued for a missing person in 2025?
- (b) A social media post been disseminated searching for missing person?
- (c) A Geotargeted SMS seeking/advising other information?
- (d) Within a missing persons investigation, who is authorised within the NSW Police to issue a Geotargeted SMS?
- (e) What is the cost of sending/issuing a Geotargeted SMS?

(280) Who is responsible for the costings when a Geotargeted text is issued?

- (a) Is it costed to the Local Area Command
- (b) Is it costed to the Unsolved Homicide Unit
- (c) Is it costed to the Missing Persons Registry
- (d) Is it costed to Police Rescue
- (e) Is it costed to State Crime Command

- (281) Given the severe staffing shortages within the NSW Police Force, and the current willingness to cease undertaking non core law enforcement roles, such as removing AED's from vehicles, why is the NSW Police Force continuing to provide a Canine Search Capability to the NSW Fire & Rescue USAR Task force?
- (a) How many hours does the NSW Police spend on maintaining current capabilities with their canines on behalf of the USAR Taskforce?
 - (b) How many hours do the current NSW Police dog squad members spend on maintaining currency on an annual basis?
 - (c) Given this capability was formerly undertaken by a volunteer organisation, would it not be better for the NSW Police to re allocate and stand down from this role to a specialist organisation such as Search (NSW) to alleviate the NSW Police of unnecessary, non law enforcement related workloads?
- (282) What agencies, both government and non government, does the NSW Police Force endorse when undertaking search operations in NSW?
- (a) What skills and training is expected of the NSW Police in regards to these agencies?
 - (b) What oversight does the NSW Police provide to these agencies and NGO's to ensure that they are providing properly trained members?
 - (c) What direct training does the NSW Police provide these organisations?
 - i. How often are these course undertaken?
 - ii. Where are these courses located?
 - iii. Do participants receive Certificates of Attendance or any recognition on their service history?
- (283) The NSW Police Force recently provided an instruction to the NSW SES to cease utilising the term 'Search Commander'.
- (a) Why was this directive provided?
 - (b) Where other government and non government agencies provided this same directive?
 - (c) Was any compensation provided to the NSWSES to cover costs associated with the ensuring the directive was undertaken and followed?
- (284) According to the National Search and Rescue (NATSAR) Manual, endorsed by the NSW Police Minister in 2017, Section 6.8, Subsection 6.8.1, SAR operations should have had a

formal, structured Peer Review. Was a peer review undertaken into missing person, now deceased, Heather SCOTT:

- (a) Did the peer review undertaken look into why the deployment by NSW Police Force was delayed seeking the support of the Aus-2 NSW Fire and Rescue USAR Taskforce?
 - (b) Did the peer review undertaken highlight that unsuitable dogs from Queensland where initially deployed by the NSW Police when suitably trained dogs where available to them through DFES Queensland, AUS 1 USAR Taskforce?
 - (c) Did the peer review highlight the issues with a failure to deploy specialist search dogs resulting in many hundreds of manhours being wasted?
 - (d) Did a peer review highlight the issues associated with the legislation pertaining to locating and triangulating a missing persons location utilising current advanced mobile technologies?
 - (e) Did the peer review highlight the need to continue the search at a later date to ensure that Ms SCOTT'S remains where recovered and not left on a mountain?
 - (f) Did the peer review highlight that NSW Police did not have dogs trained or available to assist in the search for Ms SCOTT in the initial critical hours of survival?
 - (g) Will the peer review be made public so that all organisations both here in NSW, Nationally and Internationally, can learn from the incident?
 - (h) Did the peer review highlight when the NSW Police Force or its delegated agency will be returning to the location to recover Ms Scotts remains?
- (285) Has the NSW Police Minister spoken to or had any discussions with the Centre for Missing Persons (Aust) Inc in relation to undertaking recommendations contained within their March 2025 report?
- (a) If yes, please elaborate on how these discussions are progressing to assist current and future missing persons?
 - (b) How does the NSW Police Minister believe the report will assist the NSW Police in reducing the current logistics and support the NSW Police in locating current and future missing persons?
- (286) On the 23 November 2021, NSW Police advised that canine search and rescue was not feasible.

- (a) Is there a copy of the feasibility study that the Manager, Ministerial Services is referring to?
 - (b) What was the Manager referring to when he advised that these services were not feasible?
 - (c) Given that directly after this email was sent, the NSW Police and VRA Rescue NSW commenced discussions, can the NSW Police Minister provide all documentation that relates to how, when and why the VRA Rescue NSW was approved to commence a Canine Search and Rescue Unit.
- (287) What due diligence has the NSW Police Force undertaken to understand and employ the capabilities of Search NSW for both current and long term missing persons investigations?
- (a) Has the Minister or NSW Police Executive identified the organisations capabilities?
 - (b) Has the Minister or the NSW Police identified the cost saving to the NSW State Government by utilising Search (NSW)
 - (c) Has the Minister or NSW Police identified the labor benefits provided by Search (NSW), given the current staffing shortfalls within the NSW Police?
 - (d) Has the Minister met with or had official any meetings to discuss Search (NSW) providing assistance to the currently short staffed and overworked NSW Police Force?
 - (e) Has the NSW Police Minister identified the dramatic improvements that would be available to all investigations in NSW should the NSW Government undertake the recommendations listed in the report?
- (288) The NSW Coroner made four recommendations to the NSW Police Force on 06 Dec 2019 at the inquest into missing male, Raymond Speechley.
- (a) Have all of these recommendations been enacted?
 - (b) What were the capabilities of the NSW Police Dog squad in the South Coast of NSW at the time of the findings?
 - (c) What are the capabilities of the NSW Police Dogs Squad as at 30 June 2025 in the South Coast of NSW?
 - (d) Who do the NSW Police utilise and consult with when determining the Time Frame For Survival, TFFS?
 - (e) Can you please advise how many times each consultant was engaged in

- i. 2025
- ii. 2024
- iii. 2023
- iv. 2022
- v. 2021
- vi. What is the cost when engaging these consultants?
- vii. What specific training and experience must a consultant hold prior to being engaged as a TFFS consultant?

(289) What factors or benchmarks would be required to trigger a Critical Incident response to a missing persons investigation?

(290) What factors or benchmarks would be required to trigger a Professional Standards investigation into the actions of NSW Police conducting a missing persons investigation?

(291) How many times has a Critical Incident been declared when a missing person has been located, whether alive or deceased, in:

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2024
- (c) 2023
- (d) 2022
- (e) 2021
- (f) 2020
- (g) If the answer is none, then why given when a death occurs, and police are involved, such as a police chase, have these deaths not been investigated?

(292) How many times has Professional Standards been requested to investigate a missing person case, whether the person has been located, whether alive or deceased, in:

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2024
- (c) 2023
- (d) 2022

- (e) 2021
 - (f) 2020
 - (g) If the answer is none, then why given when a death occurs, and police are involved, such as a police chase, have these deaths not been investigated?
- (293) When was the last time an independent review was undertaken into the NSW Police force dog squad to ensure that its standards, certification, deployment are fit for task and relevant?
- (294) How many times has a complaint been lodged in relation to a NSW Police canine inflicting harm to a member of the community?
- (a) How many times where these incidents investigated by professional standards?
 - (b) How many times was hospitalization or medical treatment required in 2025, 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021 and 2020?
 - (c) How many of these incidents where declared a Critical Incident?
 - (d) How many times was a NSW Police Officer injured by a NSW Police dog?
 - i. In 2025
 - ii. 2024
 - iii. 2023
 - iv. 2022
 - v. 2021
- (295) When will the findings of the 2 NSW Police dogs, killed at a training event in Menai, be made public?
- (296) When will the findings be made public into the death of a NSW Police Dog Squad K9 at Jedda Road in Western Sydney?
- (297) What investigations and recommendations have taken place within the NSW Police Dog Squad since the death of 2 police dogs at a training event and the subsequent death of a Police K9 being killed whilst on duty at Hoxton Park/Prestons?
- (a) Has there been any Critical Incident Investigations undertaken?
 - (b) Have there been any Professional Standards investigations undertaken?
 - (c) If so, what were the findings?

- (298) At the recent Special Commission of inquiry into gay hate crimes, NSW Police Force provided evidence that a report in 2019 highlighted that if all crime had ceased at the time of the report, it would take over 900 years for the NSW Police resolve these outstanding caseloads:
- (a) Given 5 years have passed since this report, have the NSW Police caught up on the 900 year delay or has this delay increased and what is the current delay as at 30 June 2025?
 - (b) Will the NSW Police or the NSW Police Minister be making the report, provided to the inquest, available either on the NSW Parliament or NSW Police websites?
 - (c) How many of the recommendations from the inquiry have been implemented and how have these impacted the investigations and resolution of missing persons and long term missing persons investigations?
 - (d) How many members of the Unsolved Homicide Unit tasked with investigating missing persons have operational Search and Rescue experience to assist with their investigations?
- (299) Given that going missing is not a crime, why is the Unsolved Homicides Unit tasked with investigating missing persons?
- (300) In September 2023, the NSW State Coroner determined that Ms Heather SCOTT was deceased and likely located close to her home that had been washed away in a landslide:
- (a) What actions have the NSW Police, to date, undertaken to locate Ms SCOTT's body?
 - (b) Has the NSW Police Force undertaken a peer review, or internal investigation into the events surrounding the NSW Police response to the landslide?
 - (c) Why has the NSW Police not requested that Ms SCOTT, who is technically a missing person, not on the National Missing Persons Register that is overseen by the AFP's National Missing Persons Coordination's website?
- (301) When was the last time an independent review into the NSW Police Rescue policies, procedures and SOP's are fit for purpose and align with the NATSAR manual and other NSW Police force SOP's for missing persons and unidentified human remains.
- (302) Has a review been undertaken by the NSW Police Force to ensure that standards set down by NSW Police, its relevant SOP's as well as the NATSAR manual ensure it aligns with the

expectations of the relevant Government and Non Government organisations called upon to assist when a person is reported missing?

(303) How many Family Liaison Officers are trained by the NSW Police to support the families and fellow police officers of missing persons?

- (a) What is the standard of training that a Family Liaison Officer has undertaken?
- (b) Is this a specialist role within the NSW Police?
- (c) How long are FLO tasked to a missing person investigation?
- (d) Are these FLO available to the families before, during and after a coronial inquest?
- (e) Where are these FLO's located?

(304) According to Section 4, Subsection 13.25, it is recommended that Police dogs not be utilised to undertake searches for missing persons. What actions have the NSW Police Force undertaken to ensure compliance and to ensure that 'bite trained' dogs are not deployed when searching for endangered and vulnerable missing persons?

- (a) What alternative canine support does the NSW Police utilise in the metropolitan area when it is found the NSW Police dogs are unavailable and unsuited for search operations?
- (b) Are these alternatives well known throughout the NSW Police Force in the event of a vulnerable or endangered person is reported missing, given the critical nature of these investigations.
- (c) How has these capabilities been communicated throughout the NSW Police Force?

(305) How many dogs are currently operated by the NSW Police Force in?

- (a) 2025
- (b) 2024
- (c) 2023
- (d) 2022
- (e) 2021
- (f) 2020
- (g) How many are specifically trained for one purpose and what are these dogs trained to detect?

- (h) How many of these dogs are trained for multiple detection/apprehension purposes?
 - (i) How many are trained specifically for Search and Rescue that are not bite trained or trained in apprehension?
 - i. How many of these dogs are deployed in the metropolitan area?
 - ii. How many of these dogs are deployed in the rural and regional areas of NSW?
- (306) Are all canines trained by the NSW Police Force assessed under the Australian New Zealand Police Standards? If not, what standards are utilised by the NSW Police for their dog capability?
- (307) According to NATSAR Manual, Section 4, Subsection 13.26, Police should have state arrangements and protocols in place with search dog teams, given there are 2 search dog organizations in NSW, can you please provide a copy of these arrangements and protocols as well as advise:
- (a) Who is responsible for the management of the protocols?
 - (b) Who is responsible for the deployment of these resources?
 - (c) What funding models are in place for cost reimbursement when utilised?
 - (d) Does this require manual deployment or has NSW Police initiated an automatic response according to information provided to the COPS system.
 - (e) Have all NSW Police officers been trained in the use and abilities of these canine teams?
 - (f) What department is responsible for the oversight and integration of these valuable resources?
- (308) What is the current number of unidentified human remains currently held on record that still require identification in NSW?
- (309) How many unidentified human remains were identified and Next of Kin provided notification in;
- (a) 2025
 - (b) 2024
 - (c) 2023

- (d) 2022
 - (e) 2021
 - (f) 2020
- (310) What is the current budget for the identification of unidentified human remains in:
- (a) 2025/26
 - (b) 2024/25
 - (c) 2023/24
 - (d) 2022/22
- (311) What is the current staffing levels for unit/department tasked by NSW Police for the identification of unidentified human remains?
- (312) In August 2024, NSW Police were advised of human remains being located in Lake Ainsworth. To date:
- (a) What actions have been taken by NSW Police to exhume the remains?
 - (b) Have the remains been identified?
 - (c) What department within the NSW Police force currently has jurisdiction of the case?
 - (d) Have investigators made contact with those responsible for locating the remains and taken official police statements in the event it becomes a criminal matter?
 - (e) If the remains have not been exhumed, then why not and has this dereliction of protocol, given that NSW Police initially have carriage of all human remains located in the state of NSW, been reported to Professional Standards, given that in NSW it is the NSW Police's responsibility to attend all sites where human remains have been located?
- (313) Given that a petition of more than 10,000 signatures was presented to the NSW Government and subsequently debated with the support of the Liberals, Nationals, Greens and Independents, what is the NSW Police Minister attempting to hide by failing to commit to a Parliamentary Inquiry into missing persons investigations in NSW?
- (314) What training are NSW Police offered when searching for or locating neuro divergent missing persons?
- (a) Are all police officers provided this training?

- (b) What is the percentage of officers that have completed this training?
 - (c) Does the NSW Police Force provide this training to other organisations it utilises when undertaking a 'multi agency' search?
- (315) What training are NSW Police offered when searching for or locating persons with Asperger's when reported as missing persons?
- (a) Are all police officers provided this training?
 - (b) What is the percentage of officers that have completed this training?
 - (c) Does the NSW Police Force provide this training to other organisations it utilises when undertaking a 'multi agency' search?
- (316) What training are NSW Police offered when searching for Dementia/Alzheimer's missing persons?
- (a) Are all police officers provided this training?
 - (b) What is the percentage of officers that have completed this training?
 - (c) Does the NSW Police Force provide this training to other organisations it utilises when undertaking a 'multi agency' search?
- (317) What training is provided to NSW Police when responding to missing persons reports for children with special needs?
- (a) Are all police officers provided this training?
 - (b) What is the percentage of officers that have completed this training?
 - (c) Does the NSW Police Force provide this training to other organisations it utilises when undertaking a 'multi agency' search?
- (318) What training are NSW Police offered when searching for or locating persons with FASD when reported as missing persons?
- (a) Are all police officers provided this training?
 - (b) What is the percentage of officers that have completed this training?
 - (c) Does the NSW Police Force provide this training to other organisations it utilises when undertaking a 'multi agency' search?
- (319) What training is provided to NSW Police when searching for children or young adults under the care of the State of NSW?

- (a) Are all police officers provided this training?
 - (b) What is the percentage of officer that have completed this training?
 - (c) Does the NSW Police Force provide this training to other organisations it utilises when undertaking a 'multi agency' search?
- (320) What training is provided to NSW Police in relation to the NATSAR manual?
- (a) Who is provided this training within the NSW Police?
 - (b) What department's/squads receive this training?
 - (c) Is this training open and available to all serving NSW Police Officers?
 - (d) Is this manual taught at the NSW Police Academy to all recruits?
 - (e) Does the manual form part of their Tertiary studies for new recruits?
- (321) It appears to be common police practice that announcements are made via a loudspeaker from a police helicopter (Polair);
- (a) What matrix is utilised to determine when this technique is utilised for a missing persons investigation?
 - (b) Who in the Chain of Command for the missing person investigation determines if this technique will be suitable and utilised?
 - (c) What matrix is utilised to determine if this practice is utilised when searching for a person suspected of committing a crime?
 - (d) Has there been any studies both internally or externally of the NSW Police, into the effectiveness of this method of announcement utilised by the NSW Police.
 - (e) Given suggestions of comments provided to radio stations, social media and other platforms, it appears that this method causes considerable harm, mental anguish and distress to members of the community within hearing distance of this operation. Will the NSW Police regulate when and how this method of communication is utilised?
 - (f) At a recent search, qualified searchers who had been briefed on the missing persons, took 6 circuits of the police helicopter to understand what was being broadcast. This was also in an area the more then 60% of the population English is the second language spoken, as too many have fled from war torn countries. Do you believe that this is a suitable method of search techniques to be employed by the NSW Police that would not cause further harm to the community?

- (322) What are the current challenges faced by NSW Police when accessing CCTV from
- (a) NSW Government departments/Agencies
 - (b) Private road operators
 - (c) Civilians
 - (d) Other CCTV sources
- (323) What are the challenges faced by NSW Police when searching for a vehicle within NSW. Does the NSW Police have real time access to ANPR or other number plate recognition technologies?
- (a) If so, what technologies would assist in locating vehicles faster?
- (324) What are the current challenges faced by the NSW Police in accessing the mobile phone location and/or data in real time when investigating a missing persons?
- (a) How do these challenges differ when investigating criminal matters?
- (325) Of the 836 long term missing persons as at 31 May 2025;
- (a) How many have a reward for information to assist in locating them?
 - (b) How many have a reward for information to assist in locating the missing persons?
 - (c) How many of these cases are suspected of including criminal behaviour?
- (326) How many homicides have the NSW Police investigated and/or prosecuted, that a body has not yet been located or recovered?
- (a) What resources are currently deployed to locate these human remains?
 - (b) How many persons incarcerated are currently affected by the 'no body, no parole' laws?
 - (c) Are any of these cases listed on the long term missing person register?
- (327) How many suspected homicides have been investigated by the NSW Police however a body has not yet been located?
- (328) How many people are currently incarcerated that are affected by the 'no body, no parole' legislation?
- (a) What searches have police undertaken to locate the remains in
 - i. 2025

- ii. 2024
- iii. 2023
- iv. 2022
- v. 2021
- vi. 2020

(329) Of the 9714 person reported missing in 2024:

- (a) How many cases involved criminal activity where charges or FCAN or similar where issued?

(330) Of the 10,977 persons reported missing in 2023, how many cases involved criminal activity where charges or FCAN or similar where issued?

(331) How can the NSW Police Minister explain the drop in the numbers of persons reported missing, given this goes against the rise in numbers of persons reported missing in other States and Territories?

(332) Will the NSW Police Minister approve an increase to the reward for the murder of Rachel CHILDS to \$500,000.00?

(333) Given that the NSW Police have duplicated services with other emergency agencies, that being as an example, flood rescue capabilities, drone capabilities, vertical rescue, domestic and industrial rescue, road crash rescue, aerial resources such as helicopters, why have the NSW Police not entered into discussions with Search (NSW) to provide a duplicate investigative agency to ensure that the rising numbers of long term missing persons are addressed given the crisis of the situation and the organisations capabilities and experience?

(334) How many cases are NSW Police detectives currently investigating across NSW?

- (a) How many are Homicides?
- (b) How many are long term missing persons?
- (c) As at 30 June, how many are current missing persons?

(335) What is the average caseload of a NSW Police Force detective?

- (a) Is there a maximum number of cases that a detective can be allocated at one time?

(336) How much funding was allocated by NSW Police to investigating, searching and resolving cases involving long term missing persons?

- (a) 2024/25 Financial year
- (b) 2023/24 Financial year
- (c) 2022/23 Financial year
- (d) 2021/22 Financial year
- (e) 2020/21 Financial year

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Newcastle Basketball Stadium – Cost Increase and Funding Strategy

- (337) Can the Minister confirm the current estimated total cost of the Newcastle Basketball Stadium project at New Lambton, and whether the \$82 million figure cited publicly is correct?
- (338) What are the main factors that have contributed to the increase in the estimated project cost from \$30 million to \$82 million over the past five years?
- (339) What is the current confirmed funding envelope for the project, and how much of that is committed from State Government sources?
- (340) Is the Government considering a staged delivery of the stadium due to the funding gap, and if so, what would that staging involve and over what time frame?
- (341) Has the Government engaged with the City of Newcastle or other stakeholders about contributing to the remaining funding shortfall?
- (342) What is the status of any requests for development contributions to be waived, and how would that affect the project's budget and timeline?
- (343) What options are currently being explored to secure the additional funding required to complete the project in full—such as grant funding, public-private partnerships, or reallocation of existing program funds?
- (344) Has the project been reassessed under the Government's current capital prioritisation framework, and where does it sit relative to other regional infrastructure projects?
- (345) Can the Minister outline the steps being taken to ensure that the rising construction costs do not result in further delays or scope reductions for the project?

Use of Ratepayer Funds – CEO Study Leave

- (346) Is the Minister aware that the City of Newcastle CEO received his full salary—costing ratepayers nearly \$130,000—while undertaking two short courses at Stanford University totalling just 6.5 hours of face-to-face study per week?
- (347) Can the Minister advise whether the Government considers it appropriate for a publicly funded council CEO to be absent from his \$513,000-per-year job for nearly a quarter of the year to study entry-level short courses overseas?
- (348) What oversight does the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure or the Office of Local Government have regarding council CEO study leave entitlements of this nature, particularly when they are not clearly linked to the CEO’s formal duties?
- (349) Does the Minister consider short courses at Stanford—such as “Principles of Economics” and “Energy Storage Integration”—an appropriate justification for 12 weeks of paid study leave?
- (350) Has the Minister or the Office of Local Government sought clarification from Newcastle Council as to how this arrangement was approved under the “special leave” clause, and whether this process complied with the CEO’s contract and council policies?
- (351) Given that former councillors have raised concerns about the approval process, will the Government consider issuing updated guidelines or controls for how paid study leave is administered at the executive level in local government?
- (352) Is the Minister aware that the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) has referred this matter to the Office of Local Government, and will the Minister commit to tabling the findings of any investigation in the Parliament?
- (353) Has the Minister sought advice on whether ratepayer-funded salaries should continue to be paid in full when council executives undertake study leave for non-mandatory, non-accredited short courses?
- (354) What assessment, if any, has been undertaken to determine the tangible benefit to Newcastle Council or its ratepayers from the CEO’s participation in these overseas programs?
- (355) Given the scale of cost to the public, and the minimal study hours involved, does the Minister believe ratepayers have received value for money from this arrangement?

Broadmeadow Precinct – Affordable Housing and Use of Public Land

- (356) Can the Minister confirm how many of the proposed 3,200 homes in the Broadmeadow Precinct are currently earmarked as affordable or social housing, and how that figure compares to the original commitment?
- (357) Have you advocated to the Planning Minister to mandate more affordable housing in the Broadmeadow Precinct?
- (358) What methodology was used to determine the affordable housing proportion in the Broadmeadow precinct, and was a 30% target ever formally adopted or costed by the Government?
- (359) Does the Government consider a 5–10% affordable housing outcome sufficient for a precinct being built entirely on publicly owned land?
- (360) What safeguards are in place to ensure the uplift in land value from government-led rezoning at Broadmeadow is being reinvested into infrastructure and housing affordability, rather than captured by private developers?
- (361) What proportion of the homes delivered in Broadmeadow will be suitable for essential workers, single-income families, and fixed-income households in the region?
- (362) Has Infrastructure NSW or the Hunter Central Coast Development Corporation modelled how affordable housing targets will impact infrastructure cost recovery or local government contributions in the precinct?
- (363) What proportion of infrastructure delivery in Broadmeadow—such as transport, utilities and public spaces—will be publicly funded, and how does this affect the expected return on publicly owned land?

Proposed Sale of Warabrook Road Reserve Land

- (364) 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?
- (365) 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?
- (366) What engagement has occurred with Newcastle City Council before including this land in the Government’s “surplus” public land disposal list?

- (367) Why is the Government ignoring Council's formal request to pause the sale until its strategic road reserve review is complete?
- (368) Is it responsible to declare this land "surplus" when Maud Street, the main alternative route, already experiences congestion and is restricted by a single-lane rail overpass?
- (369) 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?
- (370) 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?
- (371) 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?
- (372) Given the Government is calling for urban densification, how do you justify reducing future road corridor capacity in a growing regional centre like Newcastle?
- (373) 230. Is the Minns Labor Government prioritising short-term revenue over long-term infrastructure needs by selling off road reserves that were originally set aside for major arterial links?
- (374) 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?
- (375) Will you commit to halting the sale of this land until a full and independent infrastructure needs assessment has been conducted in consultation with locals?

Cardiff Town Park – Delayed Delivery and Use of Public Contributions

- (376) Can the Minister confirm whether the NSW Government has received formal requests from Lake Macquarie City Council for funding or support to deliver the long-promised Cardiff town park, first proposed in 2007?
- (377) Is the Minister aware that the original public parkland was sold to facilitate commercial development in 2009, and that a replacement park has still not been delivered more than 15 years later?
- (378) What discussions has the Minister or the Department had with Lake Macquarie City Council regarding land acquisition costs for the proposed park site between Kelton and Veronica Streets?

- (379) Given that the estimated cost of land acquisition and construction exceeds \$2.6 million, does the Government consider this project deliverable within the current local infrastructure contributions framework?
- (380) Has the Minister advocated for any review into the broader use of s7.11 contributions in the Glendale/Cardiff catchment to ensure contributions are being directed toward high-need infrastructure such as local parks?
- (381) How does the Minister respond to concerns from residents that planning decisions and population growth in Cardiff have not been matched by delivery of local public amenities?
- (382) What role does the Government see for public open space in supporting liveability in medium-density infill areas like Cardiff, and how is this reflected in infrastructure prioritisation?
- (383) Can the Minister provide a timeline for when funding, design and delivery of the new town park are expected to be finalised, and what coordination is underway with Council?
- (384) Is the Government considering any changes to the infrastructure contributions system to support faster delivery of local parks in growing areas where land values have escalated?
- (385) Does the Minister support the principle that when public open space is sold off for development, there should be a clear and enforceable commitment to replacing it within a defined timeframe?

CFMEU meetings

- (386) 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

- (387) 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

- (388) 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

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

Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports

(390) 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

(391) 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

(392) 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

(393) 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?

(394) 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

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

(a) If yes, what was the breach?

Senior Executive Drivers

(396) 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

(397) 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

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

TikTok

(399) Are you on TikTok?

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

Signal

(400) 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

(401) 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

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

(a) If yes, why?

Media releases and statements

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

(a) If no, why?

Overseas Travel

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

Data Breaches

(405) 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

(406) 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

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

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

Ministerial Overseas Travel

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

(a) If yes, was this application accepted?

Private Jet Charter

(410) 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

(411) 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

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

(a) If yes, why?

Questions from the Hon Robert Borsak MLC

POLICE MINISTER

NCAT Questions

My office hears report after report of the way that police conduct themselves in NCAT so I have some questions about the way that NSW Police uses, or misuses, taxpayer dollars in this arena.

(413) How much money does NSW Police spend in NCAT (legal expenses) for how many matters.

(a) Average cost per matter.

(b) Highest spending matter.

(414) How much money has been spent on compensating applicants for unlawful discrimination, breaches of privacy, and for legal costs in Tribunal matters? Can this be broken?

Internal decisions

(415) How many licence applications are rejected, including as % of same.

(416) How many are upheld on internal review, including % of same.

(417) What internal processes, if any, does NSW Police have to consider the decisions of the Tribunal and improve its processes?

(418) How many internal arbitrators have been the subject of feedback, performance management, or misconduct processes relating to failures to abide by the requirements of procedural fairness?

(419) In what percentage of cases that are lost, do Firearms Registry legal counsel withdraw the matter when the appellant requests them to do so when it is clear they will lose?

(420) Can you get historic figures as well to show whether Police are improving the use of public funds by making better decisions?