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Question 1	
QUESTION	Given that Peter V'landys and Graeme Hinton act as referees for the Evergreen turf company and Racing NSW runs a number of racecourses in NSW (therefore regulating itself), have competitive tender and EOI processes been abandoned at those tracks with the turf supply contracts automatically going to Evergreen? (a) What is the arrangement in place at: i. Hawkesbury ii. Goulburn iii. Cessnock iv. Sapphire Coast v. Bathurst (effectively under the control of Dr Cooke) vi. Coffs Harbour (Crown Land Lease) vii. Inverell (CLL) viii. Armidale (CLL) ix. Port Macquarie (CLL)?
ANSWER	I am advised: Commercial arrangements between race clubs and suppliers are matters for individual race clubs.

Question 2	
QUESTION	How many noise complaints have been received against live music venues since changes to the statutory disturbance complaint framework were introduced in July 2024.
ANSWER	I am advised: 222 noise and disturbance complaints were received against live music venues since 1 July 2024. Of those, four were statutory disturbance complaints, under section 79B of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>.

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Question 4	
QUESTION	Have any noise complaints been made against venues in special entertainment precincts since July 2024.
ANSWER	I am advised: No noise complaints were received against venues in Special Entertainment Precincts since 1 July 2024.

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Question 5	
QUESTION	How many venues are on the list?
ANSWER	I am advised: 479 live music venues and 71 live performance venues are on the approved L&GNSW dedicated live music and performance venues list.

Question 6	
QUESTION	How many venues on the list have closed?
ANSWER	I am advised: Venues can only access the live music and performance venues incentives if they meet certain eligibility criteria and are included on the live music and performance venues published list. Venues which have closed would not be on the list.

Question 7	
QUESTION	How many venues have less than 2 live performances a week?
ANSWER	I am advised: Venues can only access the live music and performance venues incentives if they meet certain eligibility criteria and are included on the live music and performance venues published list. Venues with less than two performances would not be on the list.

Question 8	
QUESTION	How many venues no stages or production infrastructure?
ANSWER	I am advised: Venues can only access the live music and performance venues incentives if they meet certain eligibility criteria and are included on the live music and performance venues published list. Venues with no room or space dedicated to live music performances that is a significant part of the venue, and which do not contain the infrastructure to support regular performances, would not be eligible.

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Question 9	
QUESTION	When did L&GNSW last complete a full audit of compliance with eligibility requirements for live music?
ANSWER	I am advised: L&GNSW is currently conducting an audit of Live Music Venues and Live Performance Venues to assess compliance with live music requirements. This compliance program is ongoing. Since November 2024, L&GNSW has conducted 252 inspections of Live Music and Live Performance Venues in the extended Sydney Metropolitan area as well as regional areas, including the Central Coast, Cessnock, Newcastle, Shoalhaven, Wollongong, Goulburn and Wagga Wagga local government areas. The current list of eligible live music venues sits at 479, however this continues to grow daily as more licensed venues are approved. L&GNSW places a strong focus on engagement and education to ensure live music and live performance venues are aware of their legislative requirements. Of the 252 live music and live performance venues inspected, 14 venues have been flagged for further review due to not meeting compliance with eligibility requirements. Overall, L&GNSW compliance insights indicate a positive level of compliance with the legislative requirements.

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Question 10	
QUESTION	Will the Minister consider requiring venues to have public-facing marketing or gig guides on their websites and social media through legislation to demonstrate compliance to the community, and also help promote the great live music being presented through this program across NSW?
ANSWER	I am advised: There are currently no plans to require live music venues receiving incentives under the Liquor Act to have public-facing marketing or gig guides on their websites and social media. To demonstrate compliance with the eligibility requirements under the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i> for live music venues, venues must maintain records in relation to the hosting of live music performances. These record-keeping requirements are outlined below and are further detailed on the Liquor & Gaming NSW website: https://www.liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au/operating-a-business/running-your-business/incentives-for-live-music-and-performance-venues Mandatory Record-Keeping Under section 12B of the Liquor Act 2007, if the trading period for licenced premises is extended under these [live music venue] incentives, it is a condition of the licence that the licensee keep a record of each live music performance or other arts and cultural event held or provided on the licensed premises. A licensee must comply with any conditions to which the licence is subject. The licensee must keep these records for at least one year, with the below information for each event: • Date of the event • Type of event (either a live music performance or other arts and cultural event) • A brief description of the performance or event • Start and finish times for the event • Main contact details for the event organiser, including name and phone contact • If a live music performance, the name of the performer/s or act/s. Venues can maintain a register in either hard-copy or digital format and it must be made available to Liquor & Gaming NSW compliance officers or the NSW Police Force if requested.

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Question 11	
QUESTION	Can you please provide a breakdown of the data held by GWIC in relation to the 1,126 greyhound mortalities reported in the Life Cycle Report Apr-June 2025, including the name of the greyhound, or unnamed if unknown, the date and the cause of each death that occurred?
ANSWER	I am advised: Please refer to attachment 'Greyhound mortalities'. Note that the receipt of late notifications has taken the total number of greyhound mortalities for 2024-25 to 1153.

Question 12	
QUESTION	In the FY 2023-24 total mortality figures, 193 greyhounds have "accident or injury" recorded. How many of these were injured on track?
ANSWER	I am advised: Of the greyhounds that died from accident or injury in 2023-24: • Six were sudden deaths in a race or club trial confirmed at the time by Commission veterinarians • Three died while being treated by private veterinarians after sustaining a serious injury at a NSW race meeting. • Two deaths in NSW were related to racing injuries sustained in other states.

Question 13	
QUESTION	I am advised: In the FY 2023-24 total mortality figures, 214 greyhounds were unnamed. How many unnamed greyhound mortalities were there in each financial year prior?
ANSWER	Records show: • 2022-23: 317 • 2021-22: 316 • 2020-21: 280 • 2019-20: 263 • 2018-19: 221

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Question 14	
QUESTION	In GWIC's quarterly injury reporting, there has been a marked increase in the category "Reported euthanased by private veterinarian or died off-track as a result of injury at race meeting", from 16 total deaths in FY 2023-24 to 44 total deaths in FY 2024-25. Given these are mortalities, why does GWIC not report this category in the lifecycle report data? (a) Why does GWIC only report the number of mortalities under the category "Reported euthanased by private veterinarian or died off-track as a result of injury at race meeting" for each quarter, and not the total number of mortalities for each financial year?
ANSWER	I am advised: The number of greyhounds in the category "reported euthanised by private veterinarian or died off-track as a result of injury at race meeting" are counted in the quarterly life cycle reports as part of the category "Medical euthanasia not at racetrack certified by a registered veterinarian – injury" or "Deceased due to accident and/or injury". (a) In the GWIC annual reports, the number of greyhounds in the category "reported euthanised by a private veterinarian or died off-track because of an injury at a race meeting" are included in the category "Medical euthanasia – Injury" or "Death – Injury or accident".

Question 15	
QUESTION	Who determines GWIC's commentary in the lifecycle and injury reports?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission's quarterly and annual reports are approved by the CEO and Commissioners before publication.

Question 16	
QUESTION	Why is there no commentary on the trend of higher off-track racing deaths, which are mostly dogs with broken legs that are euthanased away from the track instead of on it?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission's injury and lifecycle reports are informed by analysis of available data. Any commentary that the Commission may provide is supported by evidence.

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Question 17	
QUESTION	In the FY 2024-25 lifecycle report, when combining the total numbers of Euthanasia (577) and Deceased (549), the total number of dead greyhounds is 1,126. Why is this number not mentioned in the report?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission reports on all greyhound deaths. Deaths by euthanasia and other causes are reported in different categories.

Question 18	
QUESTION	According to the lifecycle and injury reports across FY 2024-25, the total number of greyhounds reported deceased due to accident and/or injury is 232, and the total number of greyhounds reported medical euthanasia not at racetrack certified by a registered veterinarian due to injury is 208. Why are neither of these totals detailed in the reports?
ANSWER	I am advised: (a) The total number of reports of greyhounds that died due to accident and/or injury for FY 2024-25 was published in Table 6 of the Greyhound Life Cycle Report 1 April – 30 June 2025. (b) This metric will be published in the Commission's 2024-25 annual report. (c) The total number of greyhounds reported medical euthanasia not at racetrack certified by a registered veterinarian due to injury for 2024-25 is included in the number of greyhounds medically euthanised not at racetrack for FY 2024-25, which was published in Table 6 of the Greyhound Life Cycle Report 1 April – 30 June 2025. (d) The number of records will be published in the metric Medical Euthanasia – Injury in the Commission's 2024-25 annual report.

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Question 19	
QUESTION	In the hearing on 26 August 2025, Mr Tutt indicated that GWIC investigates all instances where greyhounds are euthanised for behavioural reasons. How does GWIC verify that all euthanasias for this category were certified by a veterinary practitioner or a qualified behavioural assessor? (a) What is GWIC doing to reduce the number and rate of greyhounds euthanised for these reasons?
ANSWER	I am advised: Euthanasia of registered greyhounds is regulated through the Commission's Greyhound Rehoming Policy. Where a participant considers a greyhound is unsuitable for rehoming due to behavioural issues, the Policy requires the participant to have the greyhound assessed by a veterinary practitioner or other person approved by the Commission on advice by the Commission's Chief Veterinary Officer. (a) Where this independent assessment establishes that the greyhound is unsuitable for rehoming, the participant may elect to have the greyhound euthanised in accordance with the Policy (i.e. by a veterinarian).

Question 20	
QUESTION	According to GWIC's rehoming policy, under clause 9 participants must not, without the prior approval of the Commission, transfer a greyhound to an unregistered person who resides at the same address as a registered participant, or an unregistered person who resides at a registered kennel address. How many greyhounds has GWIC approved to be transferred to an unregistered person who resides at the same address as a registered participant? (a) Can you provide the total number for each financial year since this policy was first put in place?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission is unaware of any requests to rehome a greyhound to an unregistered person residing at the same address as a registered participant.

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Question 21	
QUESTION	How many greyhounds has GWIC approved to be transferred to an unregistered person who resides at a registered kennel address? (a) Can you provide the total number for each financial year since this policy was first put in place?
ANSWER	I am advised: The rehoming policy clause 9 doesn't allow the rehoming of greyhounds to an unregistered person that resides at the same address or registered kennels as a registered participant without approval of the Commission. The Commission is not aware of any requests for consideration to rehome a greyhound to an unregistered person at the same address as a registered kennel address.

Question 22	
QUESTION	How many times has GWIC become aware of a breach in Clause 9 of the rehoming policy? (a) How many times has this been acted on and/or action was taken?
ANSWER	I am advised: All disciplinary action decisions are published on the Commission's website. The Commission's data for disciplinary matters is not categorised into breaches of specific policies (i.e rehoming) and encompasses breaches for all policies.

Question 23	
QUESTION	I understand that GWIC is developing 'a more transparent approach to reporting greyhound mortalities resulting from a track injury, the development of which previously led to some delay'. GWIC advised that the development of this 'enhanced reporting' will 'consolidate NSW's reputation as a leader in public accounting for the greyhound industry'. What exactly are these changes, and when can we expect to see them?
ANSWER	I am advised: Currently, the Commission is considering amending the current policy such that it would include criteria for reporting deaths and euthanasia away from a track where the mortality is related to a racing injury. These mortalities have been reported in quarterly injury reports for some time but without explanation of how they are selected. The proposed change is presently undergoing consultation with stakeholders and likely to be finalised and implemented in Quarter 4 of 2025.

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Question 24	
QUESTION	In relation to GRNSW's publicly announced plans to build a 10 dog straight track similar to Queensland's The Q, will the NSW government be allocating any public money for this proposal? (a) Has the Minister or GWIC met or corresponded with GRNSW regarding this proposal?
ANSWER	I am advised: Neither the Minister nor GWIC has met or corresponded with GRNSW in regard to this specific proposal.

Question 25	
QUESTION	What is the total number of times GWIC has applied a penalty in the form of a fine, suspension or disqualification, for each of the financial years since its commencement?
ANSWER	I am advised: • 2018-19: Fine = 238, Suspension = 91, Disqualification = 47 • 2019-20: Fine = 284, Suspension = 89, Disqualification = 37 • 2020-21: Fine = 360, Suspension = 47, Disqualification = 44 • 2021-22: Fine = 221, Suspension = 51, Disqualification = 84 • 2022-23: Fine = 214, Suspension = 56, Disqualification = 49 • 2023-24: Fine = 145, Suspension = 55, Disqualification = 60 • 2024-25: Fine = 302, Suspension = 40, Disqualification = 57 Please Note: A suspension may include an interim suspension which later has a disqualification penalty issued for the same offence.

Question 26	
QUESTION	On its Disclosure webpage, GWIC has only published 4 releases of information under the GIPA Act including 7 GIPA applications which were refused by GWIC. Since the GWIC was established in 2018, how many total informal and formal applications has GWIC received? (a) How many has GWIC refused?
ANSWER	Data on GIPA applications is available from 2020. Since 2020, GWIC has received 10 Formal and 5 Informal applications. (a) GWIC has refused 4 applications – (3 formal and 1 informal)

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Question 27	
QUESTION	A greyhound racing participant named Wayne Banfield was recently charged with having three greyhounds killed and failing to provide the required paperwork including from a vet (link). How were these greyhounds killed?
ANSWER	I am advised: Mr Banfield was charged with three breaches of Rule 156(w) – failure to comply with Clause 10 of the NSW Greyhound Rehoming Policy; and one charge of Greyhound Racing Rule 164(b) - failure to comply with a lawful order of a person authorised by the Controlling Body with official duties in relation to greyhound racing. All three greyhounds were euthanised at a vet clinic.

Question 28	
QUESTION	Was there any vet involvement that GWIC is aware of?
ANSWER	I am advised: The greyhounds were euthanised by veterinarians at a vet clinic.

Question 29	
QUESTION	These three greyhounds were named 'Lanmor Pick', 'Lanmor Circus' and an unnamed dog (ear tag VLXYC). 'Lanmor Pick' is still listed on the industry's e-track system as 'racing'. Why is this still not updated? (a) How many other instances are there where GWIC has failed to keep etrac updated?
ANSWER	I am advised: A check of the eTrac Public Search shows 'Lanmor Pick' as being deceased as of 14 August 2025. This is the reported date of the euthanasia. (a) The eTrac system is updated upon the notification of a greyhound event by the owner or trainer of the greyhound.

Question 30	
QUESTION	Why did the greyhound 'Lanmor Pick' constitute one charge, but the two greyhounds 'Lanmor Circus' and an unnamed dog (ear tag VLXYC) were bundled together as a single charge?
ANSWER	I am advised: Mr Banfield was charged with three breaches of Rule 156(w). These three charges account for each of the greyhounds: Lanmor Pick, Lanmor Circus, and unnamed dog (YLXYC). Mr Banfield was also charged with one count of Rule 164(b) - which, in the opinion of the Controlling Body, constitutes an offence, by failing to comply with a lawful order of a person authorised by the Controlling Body with official duties in relation to greyhound racing.

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Question 31	
QUESTION	Are you aware of a racing participant in the Argenton area who has posted on Facebook making threats to shoot their dog on alleged advice from a solicitor? (a) What action has been taken by GWIC in response to this?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission is aware of these allegations. (a) The Commission conducted an investigation into alleged breaches of the Greyhound Racing Rules. As a result of this investigation, on 3 September 2025, a participant was disqualified for a period of three months.

Question 32	
QUESTION	Can GWIC confirm the rules regarding participants making violent threats of this nature, and what action is taken by the Commission in response?
ANSWER	I am advised: Participants who engage in misconduct may face disciplinary action under the Greyhound Racing Rules. R165(a) makes it an offence to commit or omit to do any act or engage in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing. Similarly, R156(f)(ii) makes it an offence to engage in conduct that constitutes misconduct or is negligent or improper.

Question 33	
QUESTION	How does GWIC track 'whelping' report data against 'breeding' report data?
ANSWER	I am advised: Breeding reports document breeding services that have occurred in NSW. The litter may or may not be subsequently whelped in NSW. The whelping report documents all litters whelped in NSW, irrespective of the service state.

Question 34	
QUESTION	Does GWIC record any of the following information: (a) the date of birth for the breeding greyhound? (b) any deceased pups? (c) how many litters the breeding greyhound has had?
ANSWER	I am advised: (a) The whelp date of the breeding greyhound is recorded (b) The outcome of the whelping, including the number of born males, born females and deceased pups are recorded. (c) The number of litters a breeding greyhound has whelped is recorded.

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Question 35	
QUESTION	How is GWIC monitoring the breeding of female greyhounds to ensure no back to back breeding?
ANSWER	I am advised: R59 of the Greyhound Racing Rules provides that the owner of a breeding female with authority to breed that female must not cause her to whelp more than two litters in any 18-month period. LR58A provides that no breeding female can whelp more than five litters or whelp a litter if she is aged 10 years or older. Where proposed breeding will contravene these rules, approval to breed will not be granted. A participant who breeds a greyhound is required to notify the Commission of the result of a service which the Commission monitors.

Question 36	
QUESTION	How is GWIC checking this self-reporting by GRNSW participants is accurate and honest?
ANSWER	I am advised: Registration of greyhounds must be approved by the Commission through its eTrac system. The Commission's eTrac system registers a female greyhound as 'breeding' only if the requirements of the Rules have been met in relation to the greyhound; relevant rules include R59 and LR58A. Where breeding contravenes the Rules, the Commission is alerted. Pups from a litter whelped in contravention of the Rules are not eligible for registration and the participant responsible for such a litter may face disciplinary action.

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Question 37	
QUESTION	GRNSW has commercial arrangements in place with participants who are paid to feed, house and care for GAP NSW dogs. Does GWIC know how many GAP NSW dogs are under these arrangements and how many GRNSW participants are involved? (a) Can GWIC or the Minister please proactively request this information from GRNSW? (b) Who is responsible for the welfare and wellbeing of these GAP NSW dogs under these commercial arrangements? (c) Given GWIC is the greyhound ‘welfare’ regulator, why are they not provided with the details of these GAP NSW dogs and given some oversight with inspections?
ANSWER	I am advised: These are matters for GRNSW. (a) The Commission is currently investigating options for system integration with GRNSW to improve data sharing and reporting. (b) The Greyhound Racing Act provides that any greyhound kept in connection with greyhound racing, or by a registered industry participant must be registered. The Act also confers on the Commission’s powers to enforce welfare standards in respect of registered welfare. The Commission does not have regulatory functions in respect of greyhounds kept by people or organisations that are not registered participants. (c) The Commission’s powers and functions are set out in the <i>Greyhound Racing Act 2017</i>.

Question 38	
QUESTION	On Tuesday 27 May 2025 the Magistrates Court in Devonport found a racehorse trainer (85033/2023 GRAY, Liandra Erin) guilty of committing an act of cruelty against a horse when she whipped the horse with a padded racing whip. Until now, the racing industry has justified its continued use of the whip by arguing it has not been proven that whipping hurts horses. Given the ruling of a court determining that whipping of a horse with a padded racing whip is an act of cruelty which inflicts pain and suffering upon the horse, will the Minister now take action to amend the Local Rules of Racing accordingly and ban the use of whips in racing?
ANSWER	I am advised: Under Section 290 of the <i>Thoroughbred Racing Act 1996</i>, Racing NSW may make local rules in relation to horse racing.

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Question 39	
QUESTION	On how many occasions has GWIC become aware of GRNSW participants failing to account for the whereabouts of greyhounds? (a) What is GWIC doing to locate missing dogs in these instances?
ANSWER	I am advised: A total of 86 individuals have failed to adequately account for 168 greyhounds. Of these, 75 individuals have provided partial information relating to 134 greyhounds; however, the information provided was insufficient to properly account for the whereabouts of the greyhound. In most cases, these are historical matters where these 75 individuals are no longer registered industry participants. The remaining 11 individuals have been formally charged with breaches of the Greyhound Racing Rules, and investigations into the whereabouts of their 34 greyhounds are ongoing. (a) The Commission undertakes investigations into missing greyhounds with the objective of establishing their whereabouts. Where all reasonable avenues have been exhausted without a satisfactory outcome, the matter is escalated under the Commission's disciplinary action framework. Individuals who are disqualified for a breach of the rules as a result of failing to adequately account for their greyhounds, or who allow their registration to lapse before disciplinary action is taken, may also be refused re-entry into the industry should they seek registration in the future. Note: The data provided reflects GWIC's current reporting capabilities. While every effort is made to ensure accuracy, it is important to acknowledge that earlier reporting systems did not offer the same level of precision or oversight as those now in place. Many of these cases related to resolving legacy matters. The implementation of eTrac has significantly strengthened our ability to monitor and report on greyhound movements. This reflects GWIC's ongoing commitment to transparency, accountability, and the welfare of greyhounds registered in NSW.

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Question 40	
QUESTION	Why does the industry's e-trac system still list inaccurate information for NSW greyhounds? (a) What is GWIC doing to assess the accuracy of data held in the e-trac system?
ANSWER	The eTrac system requires notifications by owner and / or trainers to be made regarding their NSW greyhounds. (a) Notifications submitted by participants are managed within a case and assigned to a GWIC staff member for review and decision. If further information is required from the participant, GWIC staff will contact the participant and record this information against the case.

Question 41	
QUESTION	GRNSW participants continue to list greyhounds online to sell or give away for free, with many failing to comply with NSW legislation that has been in place since 2019 which requires all sellers to include a breeder ID or microchip ID. How is GWIC monitoring and enforcing these laws? (a) What specific education has GWIC undertaken with GRNSW participants about selling or giving away greyhounds in lieu of the 2019 legislation?
ANSWER	I am advised: Any complaints relating to possible contravention of the legislation are referred to the Commission's compliance team for investigation. (a) The Commission has published information on its website about statutory requirements in relation to the sale or giving away of dogs.

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Question 42	
QUESTION	During the March 2025 Budget Estimates, I asked GWIC about greyhounds being physically forced into starting boxes at Gosford, in February 2025. The answer provided on notice stated “the handler had difficulty in placing the greyhound in its starting box, the race starter provided assistance and the greyhound was successfully boxed”. What is GWIC’s definition of “successfully boxed”? (a) Since then, GWIC appears to have brought this issue to the 9 May 2025 GIPAC monthly meeting. In the minutes, GWIC is recorded as stating “GWIC: There have been some uninformed comments from those opposed to the industry in response to televised footage of Participant’s handling of an excitable greyhound. Participants need to be aware they are televised when handling their greyhounds at race meetings.” GIPAC goes on to state “GIPAC: Greyhounds known to be hard to box will be boxed before others. Possibly consider using a harness rather than collar, however this may be difficult to unclip. May still need to hold a dog that is excited, keen to race and jumping.” Do you think this is the appropriate response to these concerns being raised, to be telling participants that they need to be careful because they’re being televised and that it might lead to some “uninformed comments”? (b) Do you think GWIC needs to look at its definition of an “excitable greyhound”?
ANSWER	I am advised: There is currently no formal definition of “successfully boxed”. The greyhound was placed in the box and competed in the race. (a) GWIC advises participants to abide by accepted welfare principles. (b) GWIC considers the current definitions appropriate

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Question 43	
QUESTION	Have you met or corresponded with GBOTA or GRNSW about the lease at Wentworth Park this year? (a) Have you discussed with either GBOTA or GRNSW potential options for the industry if the lease isn't extended, such as which sites the industry is considering as an alternative to what is currently Sydney's central track? (b) According to your diary disclosures, you last met with GRNSW on 28 May 2025 to discuss "industry matters". What was this meeting about?
ANSWER	I am advised: The lease at Wentworth Park is a matter for the Minister for Lands and Property. (a) As Minister, I have not met with GBOTA since 2024. (b) The meeting with GRNSW on 28 May 2025 covered a range of issues including track updates and strategy, new developments and research in racing (including straight tracks) and a range of matters not being considered by the Drake Inquiry.

Question 44	
QUESTION	(Minister Kamper told the Budget Estimates hearing on Wednesday 20 August 2025 that "there's always better uses that could be applied to that land. We're working through that now. The Government's looking at a variety of options". What are the options being explored by the government? (a) Has the government conducted any kind of cost/benefit analysis of potential future uses for the land? (b) Minister Kamper also told the hearing that he has had conversations with Minister Harris in the last 6 months, and that Minister Harris could provide more information about this. What was the nature of those conversations, and what was discussed? (c) Did the Drake inquiry have any weight or influence on these conversations?
ANSWER	I am advised: I am in regular contact with my Ministerial colleagues on a range of matters across different portfolios. Government is currently considering the future of Wentworth Park. The lease at Wentworth Park is a matter for the Minister for Lands and Property.

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Question 45	
QUESTION	Recent export data published by the Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) confirms two Australian greyhounds were exported to China in April and June this year. Can you advise if either of these greyhounds were NSW dogs or if their departure from Australia was via NSW? (a) Of these, how many were sent to: i. the US? ii. Canada? iii. Ireland? iv. elsewhere?
ANSWER	I am advised: These are matters for Greyhounds Australasia.

Question 46	
QUESTION	How many greyhounds have died in the GRNSW 'Aussie Mates in the States' program since March 2025? (a) GWIC has previously said that GRNSW isn't required to provide this information. Can GWIC request this information proactively? i. If not, why not? (b) What is the latest figure for the total greyhounds exported through this program? (c) When GWIC audited the program in 2023, it noted that it didn't consider the entire program. Will GWIC be conducting another audit that is more comprehensive, independent and transparent?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission is aware that there has been a small number of deaths in the 'Aussie Mates in the States' program. Data relating to deaths in this program is held by GRNSW. (a) The Commission has requested this information and is currently investigating options for system integration with GRNSW to improve data sharing and reporting in relation to greyhound rehoming. (b) The Commission does not have access to this information as it is held by GRNSW. (c) The Commission does not have formal powers in respect of greyhounds kept by GRNSW or its sub-contractors. The 2023 audit was conducted at the request of GRNSW for quality assurance purposes. At present, the Commission has not been requested to conduct a further audit.

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Question 47	
QUESTION	In 2016, GRNSW charged 179 trainers and owners with breaching the industry regulator's rules, for the alleged unauthorised exports of dogs to Macau. Can you provide the names of the 179 trainers and owners charged with breaching the industry regulator's rules, for the alleged unauthorised exports of dogs to Macau? (a) Have any of these 179 individuals continued or recommenced as GRNSW participants in NSW or have they transferred to other Australian states or territories?
ANSWER	I am advised: These are matters for GRNSW.

Question 48	
QUESTION	I've previously asked GWIC about New Zealand racing participants coming to Australia in the wake of the New Zealand greyhound racing ban being announced. Is this something GWIC has looked at since this was raised?
ANSWER	I am advised: GWIC has not received any applications to register from people formerly registered in New Zealand.

Question 49	
QUESTION	It was previously reported that around 80 greyhounds were exported from New Zealand to QLD, Australia by a NZ participant. I understand at least 2 of those greyhounds have since been sent to NSW. Is this accurate? (a) Has the number increased? i. If so, what is the current number? ii. What are the names and registered numbers of those dogs?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission is unaware of these greyhounds

Question 50	
QUESTION	In April 2025 in response to questions on notice, the Minister advised that Greyhound Racing New Zealand and the New Zealand Government were developing strategies to rehome greyhounds following the closure of the industry in July 2026. Can you advise the status of this?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Commission is not aware of New Zealand's strategies.

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Question 51	
QUESTION	I understand a roundtable was recently convened with the Women's Safety Commissioner, Safework, Liquor and Gaming, the Night-time Commissioner and victim-survivors. Can Liquor and Gaming please give an update on how this went?
ANSWER	I am advised: Representatives from Liquor & Gaming NSW participated in the recent Roundtable on Safety of Women and Gender Diverse People in the Hospitality Workforce, together with other NSW Government agencies, industry, victim-survivors and advocates. Stakeholders agreed safety initiatives in the night-time economy must be flexible, reflect sector diversity and continue to leverage platforms like liquor accords and industry training. Liquor & Gaming NSW continues to work with relevant stakeholders to progress actions from the roundtable.

Question 52	
QUESTION	FullStop Australia have been advocating for funding to roll out the Good Night Out pilot across the hospitality industry; however they weren't successful in this year's budget in getting the requested \$250,000 for specialist sexual violence prevention and response training and accreditation for licensed venues in Sydney's CBD. Has the Minister had any conversations with FullStop Australia or victim-survivors about this? (a) Is the Minister supportive of such a program being trialled?
ANSWER	I am advised: The sexual harassment and sexual violence prevention content introduced in the Responsible Service of Alcohol training aligns with FullStop Australia's Good Night Out program and provides a platform for a proposal to industry of a related training and support initiative for nightlife venues. The Minister supports an industry led approach.

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Question 53	
QUESTION	In relation to the rollout of sexual harassment and sexual violence prevention training through RSA, is the Minister concerned that only new staff entering the industry or completing their RSA for the first time are going to be receiving this training? (a) Given the seriousness of allegations of sexual violence in the hospitality industry coming to light in recent years which influenced the government's decision to introduce this training, will the government be expanding this training to include workers who have already completed their RSA certification, beyond just "encouraging" workers to take initiative and review the training materials?
ANSWER	I am advised: NSW has around 600,000 active Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) competency card holders and there are approximately 100,000 new RSA course completions each year. Each RSA competency holder is required to complete refresher training every five years and sexual harassment training content will be incorporated into this refresher. The content included in the RSA training is replicated in the Licensee Training course with additional reference to licensee obligations to ensure a safe workplace, as well as the availability of other training, including FullStop Australia's Good Night Out venue safety program. Like RSA, licensees are required to refresh their training every five years and sexual harassment training content will be incorporated into this refresher. Liquor & Gaming NSW has made the updated course material available to all licensees, who are encouraged to review the updated materials with their staff during regular meetings and briefings.

Question 54	
QUESTION	Are Aboriginal Affairs actively engaged in the development of the NSW Aboriginal Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Plan? (a) If not, why not?
ANSWER	I am advised: Yes – While this work is led by Transforming Aboriginal Outcomes (Department of Communities and Justice) Aboriginal Affairs has directly engaged in the development of the Plan through its position on the Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Board, through engagement workshops and direct feedback.

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Question 55	
QUESTION	What are Aboriginal Affairs doing to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children who are experiencing domestic and family violence can access specialist and culturally responsive services and support?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is question should be referred to the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

Question 56	
QUESTION	What is the NSW Government doing to ensure a pathway to secure tenancy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander victim-survivors of domestic and family violence wanting to leave a homelessness accommodation service?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is question should be referred to the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (Minister Harrison) and Minister for Housing.

Question 57	
QUESTION	Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs) are not resourced to effectively engage in contracting, grant, and tender processes. What is the NSW Government doing to support and prioritise Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations in the procurement of culturally responsive services such as specialist domestic and family violence services and homelessness services?
ANSWER	I am advised: Issues relating to domestic violence and housing should be referred to the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault and Minister for Housing.

Question 58	
QUESTION	What is being done to ensure that Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs) are included in the implementation of the NSW Common Approach to Risk Assessment and Safety Framework (CARAS) to ensure ACCO staff have the capability to identify domestic and family violence and assess or manage risk in NSW?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is question should be referred to the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

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Question 59	
QUESTION	Will the NSW government consider appointing an Independent NSW Commissioner for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children and Young People?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister Families and Communities.

Question 60	
QUESTION	Why did you cut funding to Reconciliation NSW during Reconciliation week? (a) How much funding was this?
ANSWER	Conversations have been held with Reconciliation NSW for almost a decade about the need to grow their partner and finance base and move towards a sustainable and diverse funding model, as grant funding is competitive, evidence is required to demonstrate impact, and funding is not available every year. It's important to clarify that the funding for Reconciliation NSW was not cut during Reconciliation Week. Reconciliation NSW was receiving grant funding. That type of funding must be applied for and is subject to all previous grant requirements being met and funding being available. An additional 6 months of funding has been provided to Reconciliation to assist them transition to other a broader partner base for funding of their core business activities. The NSW Government will work with Reconciliation NSW to look at options.

Question 61	
QUESTION	Does it concern you that NSW will now be the only state without a Reconciliation Council?
ANSWER	I am advised: Reconciliation NSW has received additional funding for 6 months. To avoid NSW losing a reconciliation advocate, they require financial support from across the private, public and community sectors, as reconciliation is a shared responsibility for NSW that requires the commitment and effort from everyone to ensure we make meaningful progress and lasting change.

Question 62	
QUESTION	How many Closing the Gap Targets are we on track to meet in New South Wales?
ANSWER	I am advised: Information on Closing the Gap Targets is coordinated by the Australian Government Productivity Commission. NSW progress can be found here: Dashboard Closing the Gap Information Repository - Productivity Commission

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Question 63	
QUESTION	Did you read the Productivity Commission's full report into closing the Gap targets? (a) What were some of the lessons you drew from that?
ANSWER	The NSW Government is committed to working in partnership with the NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations and considers all reports in partnership. We recognise that this is long term work informed by the advice of the Productivity Commission.

Question 64	
QUESTION	The Productivity Commission found that avoidable mortality rates are on the rise in New South Wales. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to reduce avoidable mortality rates among First Nations people in this state? (a) What are those steps?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Health

Question 65	
QUESTION	The Productivity Commission found that New South Wales had the largest decline in the country this year in the number of First Nations people seeing the GP. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (a) What are those steps?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Health.

Question 66	
QUESTION	Compared with other states, the rates of healthy birthweights among First Nations children has stayed stagnant in NSW, where it has surged ahead in other states. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (a) What are those steps?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Health

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Question 67	
QUESTION 67	The Productivity Commission found that New South Wales had no improvement on the amount of sea area subject to legal rights or interests. Every other jurisdiction except Tasmania is making progress on this. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (a) What are those steps
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Environment and the Minister for Heritage

Question 68	
QUESTION 68	The Productivity Commission found that since 2018-2019, the rate of ATSI people over 18 charged with an offence increased by 2,531.1 to 7,864.6 per 100,000 adults. That's a staggering increase. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (a) What are those steps?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Attorney General

Question 69	
QUESTION	The Productivity Commission found that the proportion of young defendants whose cases were finalised in the criminal courts increased in New South Wales. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (a) What are those steps?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Attorney General

Question 70	
QUESTION	The Productivity Commission found that between 2018-19 and 2023-24, the rate of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged 10–17 years proceeded against by police increased in New South Wales. Yes or no, have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (a) What are those steps?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Police and Counter Terrorism and the Attorney General

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Question 72	
QUESTION	Which Aboriginal stakeholders have consulted with during the development of the Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Training and Education with explicit training on cultural fishing practices? (a) How regularly is this training module reviewed? (b) Who is it reviewed by?
ANSWER	I am advised This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development.

Question 72	
QUESTION	Does the government support an independent review of the culture and regulatory practices of the DPI Fisheries compliance division? (a) If so, will the government commit to establishing this independent review by the end of its term? (b) If so, will the government commit to ensuring a report from said independent review is both released and responded to by the end of its term?
ANSWER	This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD), which are the Government leads on Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Reforms including the development of an Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Regulation under Section 21AA of the Fisheries Management Act.

Question 73	
QUESTION	Was Schedule 1 of the Fisheries Management Amendment Act 2009 commenced by the 30 June 2023 deadline as recommended by the 2022 inquiry into the Fisheries Management Amendment Act 2009? (a) If not, will the government commit to commencing this process? When will the process commence? (b) If so, have supporting regulations been developed in consultation with First Nations communities? i) Which specific First Nations peak bodies were consulted with, and when? (c) If so, how many consultation sessions were held with the Aboriginal Fishing Advisory Council specifically regarding the supporting regulation development?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) which are the Government leads on Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Reforms including the development of an Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Regulation under Section 21AA of the Fisheries Management Act.

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Question 74	
QUESTION	Given that in 2022, Labor members voted in committee to support a recommendation from the Inquiry into the Fisheries Management Amendment Act 2009 that “It was also necessary to explore the reasons why the NSW Government failed to commence section 21AA since the provision was passed 13 years ago,” what steps has the Minister taken to ensure section 21AA has commenced with supporting regulation?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) which are the Government leads on Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Reforms including the development of an Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Regulation under Section 21AA of the Fisheries Management Act.

Question 75	
QUESTION	Given that in 2022, Labor members voted in committee to support a recommendation from the Inquiry into the Fisheries Management Amendment Act 2009 that the Department of Primary Industries “cease all surveillance, compliance actions and prosecution actions against Aboriginal cultural fishers”, what steps has the Minister taken to ensure this occurs?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) which are the Government leads on Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Reforms including the development of an Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Regulation under Section 21AA of the Fisheries Management Act.

Question 76	
QUESTION	How many South Coast Aboriginal communities have successfully applied to the Aboriginal Fisheries Business Development Program since 2022? a) How many applications were successful?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) which are the Government leads on the Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Business Development Program and administering any grants award under this program

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Question 77	
QUESTION	What specific dollar amount has been allocated to support Aboriginal communities' access to the commercial fishing industry in the financial years: (a) 2021-22? (b) 2022-23? (c) 2023-24? (d) 2024-25? (e) 2025-26?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) which are the Government leads on the Aboriginal Cultural Fishing Business Development Program and administering any grants award under this program

Question 78	
QUESTION	Yes or no, has the strategic communications plan to educate the broader fishing community about Aboriginal cultural fishing practices been fully implemented? a) What measurable outcomes have been achieved?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development.

Question 79	
QUESTION	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government “Embed systemic change into leadership contracts and KPIs”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Office of the Public Service Commissioner

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Question 80	
QUESTION	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government address “The load carried by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled sector in relation to governments must be examined and areas of imbalance addressed”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister?
ANSWER	I am advised: NSW is progressing work to embed the Priority Reforms of the Closing the Gap Agreement. The Change and Transformation Strategy referenced in the NSW 2025-2028 Implementation Plan on Closing the Gap will lead the transformation of the NSW Government.

Question 81	
QUESTION	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government should be “Recognising First Nations' worldviews as separate from Western worldviews”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister?
ANSWER	I am advised: NSW is progressing work to embed the Priority Reforms of the Closing the Gap Agreement. The Change and Transformation Strategy referenced in the NSW 2025-2028 Implementation Plan on Closing the Gap will lead the transformation of the NSW Government.

Question 82	
QUESTION	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government “Resource Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations equitably to deliver on shared outcomes”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government announced \$246 million in the 2025/2026 budget to support Closing the Gap in NSW, this includes over \$18m to enable the NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations to partner in the Agreement.

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Question 83	
QUESTION 83	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government “Prioritise the overdue work required under Clause 67 of the National Agreement that Government Parties each identify, develop or strengthen an independent mechanism to support, monitor and report on the transformation of mainstream agencies and institutions.”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government remains committed to an Independent Accountability Mechanism. The NSW Government funded the NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations to progress work on the Independent Accountability Mechanism, and will consider next steps in partnership with NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations

Question 84	
QUESTION 84	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government “Shift from transactional to relational accountability...where possible, shared monitoring and evaluation should be 15 guided by Indigenous Data Sovereignty principles and informed by community-led definitions of success. ”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? (a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (b) What is the nature of the Indigenous Data Sovereignty principles that the NSW government adhered to? (c) Which community-led definitions of success does the NSW government use?
ANSWER	I am advised: NSW will work in partnership with the National Coalition of Peak Organisations and the National Joint Council in a combined response to the Jumbunna Report.

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Question 85	
QUESTION 85	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government “Improving communication is critical to restoring trust, supporting accountability, and ensuring communities can meaningfully engage with the National Agreement. Clauses 97, 134, 135 and 136 of the Agreement all reference a communication strategy that has yet to be fulfilled in a meaningful way.”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? (a) What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (b) By when do you anticipate that a NSW government communication strategy is developed in accordance with the clauses of the National Agreement?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government will work in partnership with the NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations to improve communication efforts across NSW in relation to the Closing the Gap Agreement.

Question 86	
QUESTION	The Jumbunna Report recommends that the NSW government “Examine areas for future inclusion in the National Agreement”. Yes or no, do you support this recommendation? (a) Do you support an elders and older people target? i. What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? (b) Do you support measures to include climate impacts in the National Closing the Gap Agreement? i. What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? c) Do you support measures to strengthen the visibility and recognition of Stolen Generation survivors? i. What specific steps have you taken any specific steps to address this issue as Minister? ii. Do you support strengthening clause 21 of the National Agreement by explicitly recognising the cultural repair and intergenerational healing needs of Stolen Generations survivors? 16 iii. Do you support prioritising the disaggregation of data about stolen generation survivors under clause 93 and ensuring that relevant data collection and analysis includes information on survivor experiences and outcomes, as part of a broader rights-based and trauma-informed approach?
ANSWER	I am advised: NSW will work in partnership with the National Coalition of Peak Organisations and the National Joint Council in a combined response to the Jumbunna Report.

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Question 87	
QUESTION	Did you read the Victorian Yoorrook Justice Commission’s report in full? (a) What were some of the lessons or insights you gained from reading that report?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Yoorrook Justice Commission report made 146 recommendations for the Victorian Government including treaty, self-determination, governance, and culture. It outlined the critical role of educational institutions in truth-telling, through accurate and engaging content that reflects truth-telling and First Peoples’ perspectives

Question 88	
QUESTION	Labor committed to a truth-telling process for First Nations people before the 2023 election, will that commitment be fulfilled by the end of the term?
ANSWER	Labor has committed to undertaking consultation with Aboriginal people to understand whether they want Treaty or other formal agreement making process. The NSW Government has not committed to a formal truth telling process. We are not pre-empting the outcome of that consultation process, nor what issues communities may raise in their dialogue with the independent Treaty Commissioners.

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Question 89	
QUESTION	The Yorrook Commission found that genocide occurred against First Peoples in Victoria. Do you believe, as a result of your engagement with First Nations communities in New South Wales, that genocide occurred against First Nations people in NSW as well? (a) If not, on what basis do you disagree with the Yorrook Commission's findings? (b) Is it the Government's position that the Truth-Telling process would be an important way to achieve clarity on these issues?
ANSWER	The NSW Government is committed to better understanding the shared historical experiences of Aboriginal people and non-Aboriginal people in NSW through truth-telling. We are working in partnership with Aboriginal people and community organisations on truth-telling processes, based on recognition, respect and healing. Furthermore, the NSW Treaty Commissioners are consulting with Aboriginal communities across NSW. I expect their reports to me will include advice on truth-telling.

Question 90	
QUESTION	Given that in Victoria, the Labor government have ignored 85% of the recommendations of the interim Yorrook report, can you commit that the Minns Labor Government will abide by all of the recommendations from a Truth-Telling Process in New South Wales?
ANSWER	The NSW Government has not committed to a formal truth telling process.

Question 91	
QUESTION	Will you legislate a Truth and Justice Commission? (a) If not, why not? (b) If yes, when? (c) If yes, will you legislate to ensure that the Government is required to abide by the recommendations of a Truth and Justice Commission?
ANSWER	The NSW Government has not committed to a formal truth telling process. We will be guided by the views of Aboriginal people and communities regarding how they wish to engage with the issue of truth telling.

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Question 92	
QUESTION	Will you legislate to ensure that the NSW government is bound to implement the recommendations of the Treaty Process? (a) If not, how does a Treaty process that the government ignores fit within the government's commitment to self-determination?
ANSWER	The NSW Government has committed to undertaking consultation with Aboriginal people to understand whether they want Treaty or other formal agreement making processes. We will not be speculating on what recommendations Commissioners may make in their final report to Government, nor on what actions the Government may make in response. The Premier has previously committed to taking any significant action in response to Treaty back to an election.

Question 93	
QUESTION	In a document published in 2022, the NSW Labor Party said "A NSW Labor government will commit to progressing the views of NSW First Nations peoples. NSW Labor Conference has committed to the principles of the Uluru Statement from the Heart. A NSW Labor government will action this commitment by pursuing a First Nations voice, treaty-making and truth-telling within the State." Has this policy changed? (a) If so, what exact changes have been made? (b) Has the Labor Conference signed off on any changes to this policy? (c) Is the NSW Government still committed to pursuing a First Nations voice, treaty-making and truth-telling within the State? (d) If the NSW government has no plans for a truth-telling or Voice, does this not contradict that policy?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government has committed to undertaking consultation with Aboriginal people to understand whether they want Treaty or other formal agreement making processes. We will not be speculating on what recommendations Commissioners may make in their final report to Government, nor on what actions the Government may make in response. The Premier has previously committed to taking any significant action in response to Treaty back to an election.

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Question 94	
QUESTION	Were you consulted before federal funding was cut for the Aboriginal Alternative Learning Faculty at Southern Cross School of Distance Education in East Ballina in June 2024?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Education and Early Learning

Question 95	
QUESTION	Are you aware of any reports or accounts that the closure of the Aboriginal Alternative Learning Faculty has resulted in an increase in criminal behaviour from students previously enrolled in outreach programs administered by the Faculty?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Education and Early Learning

Question 96	
QUESTION	Will the Government commit to recurrent funding for the Aboriginal Alternative Learning Faculty, so it can be restored after the cessation of federal funding?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Education and Early Learning

Question 97	
QUESTION	What steps has the Minister taken to ensure the repatriation of the Aboriginal Breastplate belonging to Jack Kibbeen, the man who named the Northern Rivers town of Wollongbar?
ANSWER	I am advised: Repatriation of objects of Aboriginal heritage significance in NSW falls under the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for the Environment.

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Question 98	
QUESTION	Reconciliation NSW says they are under the threat of closure because of withdrawal of funding by Aboriginal Affairs NSW. This would leave NSW as the only state without a Reconciliation Council. What is the Minister doing to prevent the closure of Reconciliation NSW?
ANSWER	Conversations have been held with Reconciliation NSW for almost a decade about the need to grow their partner and finance base and move towards a sustainable and diverse funding model, as grant funding is competitive, evidence is required to demonstrate impact, and funding is not available every year. It's important to clarify that the funding for Reconciliation NSW was not cut during Reconciliation Week. Reconciliation NSW was receiving grant funding. That type of funding must be applied for and is subject to all previous grant requirements being met and funding being available. An additional 6 months of funding has been provided to Reconciliation to assist them transition to other a broader partner base for funding of their core business activities. The NSW Government will work with Reconciliation NSW to look at options.

Question 99	
QUESTION	The 2024 report into OCHRE from the NSW Ombudsman stated “that the ability to consistently deliver these outcomes is tied to the stability of staffing and the strength of long-term relationships with students – areas currently threatened by funding insecurity”. Opportunity Hubs – a key pillar of OCHRE – now have ongoing funding uncertainty and were left without funding until after the 2025-26 Budget was released – with days to spare before they’d need to close their doors. Is the Minister committed to the OCHRE initiatives and ensuring they are funded and delivered, regardless of which area of Government is responsible for funding? (a) What is the Minister doing to advocate for funding certainty for Opportunity Hubs? (b) What meetings has the Minister had with the operators of each of the Opportunity Hubs and what was discussed?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government will shortly respond to the findings and recommendations of the NSW Ombudsman’s 2024 report on OCHRE. OCHRE initiatives are the responsibility of the portfolio Minister, which in the case of Opportunity Hubs is the Minister for Skills, TAFE and Tertiary Education.

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Question 100	
QUESTION	The 2025 data shows that NSW has seen a decline in two socio-economic outcomes: Outcome 4 - the proportion of children assessed as developmentally on track and Outcome 10 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults are being incarcerated at an increased rate. What are the underlying causes for this decline? (a) What steps are you taking to address this across Government? (b) What role are you playing in addressing the overrepresentation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the criminal justice system? (c) What role are you playing in addressing the overrepresentation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within deaths in custody?
ANSWER	I am advised: This is a matter for the Minister for Education and Early Learning and the Attorney General

Question 101	
QUESTION	What steps are you taking to address the high rates of suicide among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?
ANSWER	I am advised: This question is best directed at the Minister for Health and Minister for Mental Health.

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Question 102	
QUESTION 102	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: AANSW sits within the Premier's Department and is compliant with their policies regarding the Privacy and Personal Information Protection (PIPP) Act. The following website outlines the Premier's Department Data Breach Policy and the Register of data breaches in accordance with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection (PPIP) Act Data Breach Policy and Public Notification Register NSW Government

Question 103	
QUESTION	How many submissions were received as part of the consultation process?
ANSWER	I am advised: Public consultation on FRT in hotels and clubs was open from 15 February to 28 March. The consultation received 100 responses in total, including 52 submissions and 48 survey responses.

Question 104	
QUESTION	How many NSW venues currently have facial recognition technology installed and operational?
ANSWER	I am advised: L&GNSW does not hold this information.

Question 105	
QUESTION	What procedures are currently in place at those venues when FRT alerts?
ANSWER	I am advised: L&GNSW does not have information on procedures at individual venues which may also use FRT for other purposes. However, if staff become aware that an excluded person has entered the gaming area, a staff member must approach the excluded person, ask them to leave and report the incident.

Question 106	
QUESTION	What is the estimated average cost of installing FRT in venues?
ANSWER	I am advised: L&GNSW does not have these figures.

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Question 107	
QUESTION	Is Cyber Security NSW playing an active role in the consultation process for FRT technology? (a) What does that role encompass?
ANSWER	I am advised: L&GNSW held targeted consultation with key stakeholders, including Cyber Security NSW, to inform the development of the FRT Code of Practice. (a) One-on-one consultation was held with Cyber Security NSW to receive its feedback on the draft Code before it was released as part of the public consultation between 15 February to 28 March.

Question 108	
QUESTION	How many calls were made to gambleaware in the following financial years: (a) 2021-22 (b) 2022-23 (c) 2023-24 (d) 2024-25 (e) 2025-26 (so far)
ANSWER	I am advised: (a) 5,290 (b) 6,707 (c) 8,073 (d) 9,538 (e) 1,618 (July and August 2025)

Question 109	
QUESTION	Do you believe it is appropriate to proceed with the rezoning of the TG Millner Oval site while there is an active Liquor & Gaming NSW investigation into the North Ryde RSL Community Club?
ANSWER	I am advised: TG Millner Oval is non-core property of the North Ryde RSL Community Club and is therefore not captured by the requirements of the <i>Registered Clubs Act 1976</i> . Whether the rezoning is appropriate is therefore a matter for the Club's governing body and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

Question 110	
QUESTION	Has the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure been formally notified of the ongoing investigation into the North Ryde RSL?
ANSWER	I am advised: Yes

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Question 111	
QUESTION	Was any consideration given to delaying the rezoning of the TG Millner site pending the outcome of the Liquor & Gaming NSW investigation?
ANSWER	I am advised: Rezoning considerations are a matter for the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

Question 112	
QUESTION	When were you first informed of the Liquor & Gaming NSW investigation into the North Ryde RSL?
ANSWER	I was informed of the investigation by Liquor & Gaming NSW on 21 July 2025.

Question 113	
QUESTION	Have you or your office been in contact with Liquor & Gaming NSW regarding the status of this investigation?
ANSWER	I am advised: My Office has engaged with Liquor & Gaming NSW in the course of responding to correspondence.

Question 114	
QUESTION	Has the Department of Planning sought advice from Liquor & Gaming NSW on whether any findings to date should impact the rezoning process?
ANSWER	I am advised: No. The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure requested information regarding the investigation.

Question 115	
QUESTION	Was Liquor & Gaming NSW invited to provide any submission or advice as part of the planning assessment process?
ANSWER	I am advised: No.

Question 116	
QUESTION	Will you recommend to DPHI to pause the assessment of any development approvals on the TG Millner site until the investigation is concluded and the findings are publicly available?
ANSWER	I am advised: The assessment of development approvals is a matter for the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces.

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QUESTION	Has any interim advice been provided to your Department from Liquor & Gaming NSW that could inform the rezoning or development assessment?
ANSWER	I am advised: No.

Question 118	
QUESTION	What safeguards are in place to ensure that an entity under investigation is not improperly benefiting from Government planning decisions?
ANSWER	I am advised: The assessment of approvals and any subsequent planning decisions are a matter for the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

Question 119	
QUESTION	The rollout of Veterans' and Families' Hubs has been well-received by New South Wales communities. Funding is principally provided by the Federal Government to establish these hubs, with State Government collaboration to identify when a suitable site is available, including Crown Land properties. Is the State Government planning to contribute operational funding once these hubs are opened? (a) If not, who would this responsibility be allotted to? (b) Are you confident that the required operational funding will continue to ensure sustainability of these hubs?
ANSWER	I am advised: Veterans' and Families' Hubs are an initiative of the Commonwealth Government as the primary responsible jurisdiction, through the administration of one-off grant funding for business case development, capital funding and initial operational funding. The Commonwealth Government has awarded funding with the requirement of recipients to assume responsibility for ongoing operational costs. The lead organisation and funding recipient for NSW Hubs is RSL LifeCare Limited, which has provided veteran care and services for over a century. RSL Lifecare is more than capable of operating these hubs.

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Question 120	
QUESTION	In the 2025-2026 budget, a collaboration between Commonwealth and NSW Government is identified with \$12.9 million within the financial year to deliver the NSW Veterans Strategy. Aside from the \$2 million allocated to building the new memorial in the Domain, can you share or comment on other projects that this funding is likely to go towards?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government funds a range of programs and important initiatives to support the health and wellbeing of veterans and their families living in NSW, in collaboration with the Commonwealth Government and ex-service organisations.

Question 121	
QUESTION	National servicemen, who served between 60 days and 181 days are not considered eligible for the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal (RVCM). As Minister for Veterans, what is your stance on this Federal ruling? (a) Will you commit to advocating to the Federal Government for the Vietnam Veterans to receive this recognition?
ANSWER	I am advised: Honours and awards and the determination of conditions of service, which define eligibility for medallic recognition, are a Commonwealth responsibility over which the NSW government has no jurisdiction. While the NSW government has no jurisdiction over medallic recognition, it is committed to ensuring that all veterans are recognised, supported, and commemorated in line with eligibility criteria.

Question 122	
QUESTION	\$21.5 million was allocated for sand nourishment, concrete seawalls and placement of rock bags at Stock Beach. Why is your government doing nothing at Wamberal Beach?
ANSWER	I am advised: Coastal management, including erosion mitigation at Wamberal Beach, falls under the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for the Environment.

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Question 123	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: In accordance with the Premier's Memorandum M2015-05 Publication of Ministerial Diaries and Release of Overseas Travel Information, all Ministers publish extracts from their diaries, summarising details of scheduled meetings held with stakeholders, external organisations, third-party lobbyists and individuals. Ministers are not required to disclose details of the following meetings: • meetings involving Ministers, ministerial staff, parliamentarians or government officials (whether from NSW or other jurisdictions) • meetings that are strictly personal, electorate or party political • social or public functions or events • meetings held overseas (which must be disclosed in accordance with regulation 6(1)(b) of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018 and Attachment B to the Premier's Memorandum), and • matters for which there is an overriding public interest against disclosure. Ministers' diary disclosures are published quarterly on The Cabinet Office's website (https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/cabinetoffice/access-to-information/ministers-diary-disclosures)

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Question 124	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: In accordance with the Premier's Memorandum M2015-05 Publication of Ministerial Diaries and Release of Overseas Travel Information, all Ministers publish extracts from their diaries, summarising details of scheduled meetings held with stakeholders, external organisations, third-party lobbyists and individuals. Ministers are not required to disclose details of the following meetings: • meetings involving Ministers, ministerial staff, parliamentarians or government officials (whether from NSW or other jurisdictions) • meetings that are strictly personal, electorate or party political • social or public functions or events • meetings held overseas (which must be disclosed in accordance with regulation 6(1)(b) of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018 and Attachment B to the Premier's Memorandum), and • matters for which there is an overriding public interest against disclosure. Ministers' diary disclosures are published quarterly on The Cabinet Office's website (https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/cabinetoffice/access-to-information/ministers-diary-disclosures)

Question 125	
QUESTION	On what date did you last update/make a ministerial disclosure to the Premier and the Secretary of The Cabinet Office?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Ministerial Code of Conduct (Ministerial Code) requires Ministers to make certain disclosures to the Premier and the Secretary of The Cabinet Office. I comply with my obligations under the Ministerial Code.

Question 126	
QUESTION	In relation to redundancies, will this be made available in your respective Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports?
ANSWER	I am advised: Information about any redundancies within agencies is published in the agency annual reports. Published annual reports can be accessed on agency websites.

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Question 127	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: Annual reports should be prepared in accordance with the Treasury Policy and Guidelines – Framework for Financial and Annual Reporting (TPG25-10).

Question 128	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Ministers' Office Handbook provides guidance in relation to recordkeeping obligations under the State Records Act 1998. The Cabinet Office also provide guidance, advice, training and support on these obligations for Ministers' offices. Further information is available on State Records NSW's website (www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/dciths/state-records-nsw). All Ministers' offices are expected to comply with their obligations under the State Records Act 1998.

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Question 129	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Department of Premiers Department's gifts and hospitality register is available at: https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/premiers-department/access-toinformation/gifts-and-hospitality-register The Department of Communities and Justice's gifts and hospitality register is available at: https://dcj.nsw.gov.au/resources/policies/gifts-benefits-and-bequests.html The Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport gifts and benefits register is managed and held centrally, and the Department is currently considering the publication of the information on the Department's website. The Department's gift and benefit policy is publicly available at: https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/dciths/policies-plans-andprocedures/gifts-benefits-and-hospitality All NSW Health Organisations must maintain a Gifts and Benefits Register under the mandatory requirements of the NSW Health policy directive Conflict of Interest and Gifts and Benefits (PD2015_045). Registers are available on request to the Right to Information contact at the relevant NSW Health Organisation. A list of contacts for all organisations is provided at the following URL: https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/gipaa/Pages/table-of-contacts.aspx

Question 130	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: All Ministerial staff are required to comply with the Gifts, Hospitality and Benefits Policy for Office Holder Staff attached to the Ministers' Office Handbook and available on the NSW Government website.

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Question 131	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: All Ministerial staff are required to comply with their disclosure obligations under the Gifts, Hospitality and Benefits Policy for Office Holder Staff and I expect them to do so. A breach of the Policy may be a breach of the Office Holder's Staff Code of Conduct. The Policy includes disclosure obligations for Ministerial staff in respect of gifts, hospitality and benefits over \$150. If a Ministerial staff member is required by their role to accompany their Office Holder at an event that the Office Holder is attending as the State's representative, or where the Office Holder has asked the staff member to attend, then attendance at that event would not constitute a gift or benefit for the purposes of the Policy.

Question 132	
QUESTION	Since 28 March 2023, have you breached the Ministerial Code of Conduct? (a) If yes, what was the breach?
ANSWER	I am advised: All Ministers are expected to comply with their obligations under the NSW Ministerial Code of Conduct (Ministerial Code) at all times. The Ministerial Code sets the ethical standards of behaviour required of Ministers and establishes practices and procedures to assist with compliance. Among other matters, the Ministerial Code requires Ministers to: • disclose their pecuniary interests and those of their immediate family members to the Premier • seek rulings from the Premier if they wish to hold shares, directorships, other business interests or engage in secondary employment (known as 'prohibited interests') • identify, avoid, disclose and manage conflicts of interest • disclose gifts and hospitality with a market value over \$500. A substantial breach of the Ministerial Code (including a knowing breach of any provision of the Schedule) may constitute corrupt conduct for the purposes of the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988.

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Question 133	
QUESTION	As at 1 August 2025, how many senior executives in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) have a driver?
ANSWER	I am advised: No senior executives employed by departments within my portfolio remit have a driver.

Question 134	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: Ministerial Office disclosure logs are available on the Premier's Department website.

Question 135	
QUESTION	What is the website URL for the Government Information (Public Access Act) 2009 disclosure log each of your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?
ANSWER	I am advised: ' https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/cabinet-office/access-to-information/disclosure-log https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/premiersdepartment/access-to-information/premiers-department-disclosure-log

Question 136	
QUESTION	Are you on TikTok?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Circular DCS-2025-01 Cyber Security NSW Directive - Restricted Applications List advises how NSW Government agencies are required to appropriately manage risks to NSW Government information on government-issued devices, or personal devices that are used for government business.

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Question 137	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: Like the former Coalition Government, the NSW Government uses a range of digital systems and communications that have been approved for use and may be utilised where there is a valid business requirement. This has been established practice under successive governments. State records are a vital public asset, and access to Government information is essential to maintaining public trust in government. I comply with my obligations under the State Records Act 1998.

Question 138	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: Ministers have undertaken a program of Ministerial induction training. Ministers have undertaken training on the Respectful Workplace Policy. Members of Parliament are provided with a Skills Development Allowance that may be used in a manner consistent with the Parliamentary Remuneration Tribunal Annual Determination. Ministerial Office Budgets are managed in accordance with the Ministers' Office Handbook.

Question 139	
QUESTION	Has your Parliamentary Secretary ever used a Ministerial driver from the pool? (a) If yes, why?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Ministers' Office Handbook provides that the Premier's Department transport services may be used by Parliamentary Secretaries for official business trips in connection with their duties as Parliamentary Secretaries, with costs paid from the Ministers' office budget.

Question 140	
QUESTION	Are all the ministerial media releases and statements issued by you publicly available at https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases? (a) If no, why?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Department of Customer Service is responsible for managing www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases and the publication of media releases.

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Question 141	
QUESTION	As Minister, do you approve overseas travel for public servants from your portfolio department(s)/agency(s)?
ANSWER	I am advised: The NSW Government Travel and Transport Policy provides a framework for NSW Government travelling employees and covers official air and land travel by public officials using public money. Section 2.1 of that Policy sets out approvals required in relation to overseas travel. Further information in relation to the Policy can be found here: https://www.info.buy.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/travel-andtransport-policy Treasury Policy and Guidelines – Framework for Financial and Annual Reporting (TPG25-10) requires agencies to include information on overseas visits by officers and employees in agency annual reports.

Question 142	
QUESTION	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?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Premier's Department, Department of Communities and Justice, Department of Creative Industries, Tourism, Hospitality and Sport and the Ministry of Health each keep an internal register of eligible data breaches as required by section 59ZE, Part 6A of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (PPIP Act). Agencies are required by section 59ZD to prepare, publish and make publicly available a data breach policy. The PPIP Act does not provide for the internal register to be made public. Under clause 17, of Schedule 1 to the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, it is conclusively presumed that there is an overriding public interest against disclosure of information contained in a document prepared for the assessment of an eligible data breach under the PPIP Act, Part 6A, if the information could worsen a public sector agency's cyber security or lead to further data breaches.

Question 143	
QUESTION	As Minister, so you have a discretionary fund? 24 (a) If yes, what department(s) / agency(s) administer it? (b) If yes, what is the website URL detailing expenditure?
ANSWER	I am advised: Information about NSW Government grants can be found online. https://www.nsw.gov.au/grants-and-funding

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Question 144	
QUESTION	Are you a member of the Qantas Chairmans Lounge?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 1983 (Regulation) sets out Members' obligations to disclose relevant pecuniary and other interests in periodic returns to Parliament. The Legislative Assembly Standing Committee on Parliamentary Privilege and Ethics Report on Review of the Code of Conduct, Aspects of Disclosure of Interests, and Related Issues (December 2010) notes that: "Advice has been received from the Crown Solicitor that use of the Chairman's Lounge by invitation is not a "gift" for the purposes of clause 10 of the Regulation, as it does not involve disposition of property. However, when the membership leads to an upgrade valued at more than \$250, it becomes disclosable as a contribution to travel, and should be reported under clause 11 of the Regulation." Clause 16 of the Regulation allows a Member to, at their discretion, disclose any direct or indirect benefit, advantage or liability, whether pecuniary or not. Relevant disclosures have been made to The Cabinet Office and to the NSW Parliament.

Question 145	
QUESTION	Are you a member of the Virgin Beyond Lounge?
ANSWER	I am advised: The Constitution (Disclosures by Members) Regulation 1983 (Regulation) sets out Members' obligations to disclose relevant pecuniary and other interests in periodic returns to Parliament. The Legislative Assembly Standing Committee on Parliamentary Privilege and Ethics Report on Review of the Code of Conduct, Aspects of Disclosure of Interests, and Related Issues (December 2010) notes that: "Advice has been received from the Crown Solicitor that use of the Chairman's Lounge by invitation is not a "gift" for the purposes of clause 10 of the Regulation, as it does not involve disposition of property. However, when the membership leads to an upgrade valued at more than \$250, it becomes disclosable as a contribution to travel, and should be reported under clause 11 of the Regulation." Clause 16 of the Regulation allows a Member to, at their discretion, disclose any direct or indirect benefit, advantage or liability, whether pecuniary or not. Relevant disclosures have been made to The Cabinet Office and to the NSW Parliament.

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Question 146	
QUESTION	Since 28 March 2023, have you formally applied to the Premier to travel overseas? (a) If yes, was this application accepted?
ANSWER	I am advised: Ministerial overseas travel information is published online. https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/premiersdepartment/access-to-information/ministerial-overseas-travel-information

Question 147	
QUESTION	Have you travelled on a private jet charter in your Ministerial capacity? (a) If yes, was this value for money for taxpayers?
ANSWER	I am advised: Premier and Ministers' domestic travel information is published on the Premier's Department's website at: https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-andagencies/premiers-department/access-to-information/premier-and-ministersdomestic-travel

Question 148	
QUESTION	Since 28 March 2023, has your Ministerial Office at 52 Martin Place been renovated? (a) If yes, how much was the expenditure?
ANSWER	I am advised: Leasehold improvements for Ministerial Offices are reported within the Premier's Department annual reports.

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Question 149	
QUESTION	Since 28 March 2023, have you formally written to the Premier with a conflict of interest? (a) If yes, why?
ANSWER	I am advised: All Ministers are expected to comply with their obligations under the NSW Ministerial Code of Conduct (Ministerial Code) at all times. The Ministerial Code sets the ethical standards of behaviour required of Ministers and establishes practices and procedures to assist with compliance. Among other matters, the Ministerial Code requires Ministers to: • disclose their pecuniary interests and those of their immediate family members to the Premier • seek rulings from the Premier if they wish to hold shares, directorships, other business interests or engage in secondary employment (known as ‘prohibited interests’) • identify, avoid, disclose and manage conflicts of interest • disclose gifts and hospitality with a market value over \$500. A substantial breach of the Ministerial Code (including a knowing breach of any provision of the Schedule) may constitute corrupt conduct for the purposes of the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988.