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QUESTIONS

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Justice and Police

Border Force

- 1. What was the date of the last joint operation with the Border Force?
 - a) How many took place in August?
 - b) How many took place in July
 - c) How many took place in June
 - d) How many have taken place since the Border Force was created?
- 2. How many raids of brothels have been undertaken with the Border Force?
 - a) How many arrests resulted from these raids?
- 3. How many non-brothel raids have been undertaken with the Border Force?
 - a) What were these premises?
 - b) How many arrests resulted from these raids?

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The NSW Police works with Border Force and various law enforcement agencies who may engage with Border Force on a daily basis for a variety of operations.

It is therefore difficult for NSW Police Force to provide an accurate number due to joint agency involvement.

4. Is the Minister made aware of all operations undertaken with the Border Force?

No.

5. Have any operations conducted included random visa checks?

The NSW Police Force has advised me NSW Police are required to regularly check the immigration statuses of people as part of day-to-day police operations.

6. Has the NSW Government of NSW Police Force been approached to conduct operations with the Border Force that will include random visa checks?

The NSW Police Force has advised me no approaches have been made.

- 7. Can you guarantee that there will not be any joint operation with Border Force in the future?
- 8. Will the NSW Government cooperate with any plans to randomly check passers-by for valid visas?
- 7-8

Refer to response provided to Hearing questions on this subject.

9. Are there any guidelines for how to spot a visa fraudster?

The NSW Police Force are trained appropriately and provided with the necessary support to effectively carry out their responsibilities to ensure community safety.

- 10. Is there a memorandum of understanding or service agreement with the Australian border Force?
 - a) Has there ever been? Please include a list with any operational specific service agreements or MOU's.
- 11. How many MOU's or service agreements existed with the Federal agencies that have been replaced by Border force?

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Refer to response provided to Hearing questions on this subject.

Single Unit Policing

- 12. How many single unit police patrols are scheduled to take place between now and the end of the year?
- 13. How many single unit police patrols took place in the month of August?
- 14. How many single unit police patrols have taken place since the beginning of 2015?
- 15. Minister, do you believe that policemen and women undertaking single unit patrols are placed at any additional risk by the absence of a partner?

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Refer to response provided to Hearing questions on this subject.

16. Are there any single unit specific training for police?

Police officers are provided with training to prepare them for a range of policing operations including the engagement in single unit policing.

Commissioners Executive Team

- 17. When was the last time that the Minister was briefed by the Commissioners Executive Team?
 - a) What was the date of that meeting?
 - b) How many meetings have taken place in 2015? Please list any apologies.
 - c) How many meetings have taken place in 2016? Please list any apologies.
 - d) How many meetings have taken place in 2017? Please list any apologies.

As the Minister for Justice and Police, I regularly discuss matters with the Commissioner of Police and his Deputies.

Tink Review

- 18. Minister, the Tink Review was due to recommend a transparent model for police oversight by August 31, 2015. Has the review been completed?
 - a) Has the Minister seen the review?

- b) Will the Minister be making the review public? If so, when?
- c) When does the Minister intend on responding to the review?

My office has received the Tink Review and matters relating to its publication and response are for Cabinet to decide upon.

Police and Liquor Conflict of Interest

19. Does the Minister for Liquor, Gaming and Racing regularly meet with stakeholders in the liquor industry?

As the Deputy Premier and Minister for Justice and Police, the Arts and Racing I meet with a variety of stakeholders and discuss matters relating to my portfolios.

20. Is one of your responsibilities as the Minister to promote the ease of doing businesses' in the Liquor industry?

Ministerial responsibilities are outlined on the NSW Parliament website: http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/prod/web/common.nsf/key/RolesandResponsibilitiesofthePremierandMinisters

21. The Office of Liquor Gaming and Racing Strategic Priorities has a guiding principle of "Reducing red tape, making it easier to do business." Do you believe that you and the office have been successful in this?

Yes. The Office of Liquor Gaming and Racing constantly work towards responsibly "reducing red tape and making it easier to do business".

BOCSAR

- 22. Has the Minister seen the June 2015 BOCSAR quarterly crime report and, or the June 2015 BOCSAR annual crime report?
- 23. Why was the decision made to embargo the reports until the 3rd of September 2015?
 - a) Who made that decision?
 - b) What time of day was the embargo lifted?
 - c) Was any version of this report provided to the minister before the 3rd of September?

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Bureau quarterly crime reports are released at fixed dates throughout the year (advertised on the website in advance) to avoid any suggestion that the timing of the reports is being set for political purposes. The reports are circulated to the Justice and Police Minister and Attorney General about a week prior to release with an embargo. This has been the practice with successive Labor and Liberal-National Governments for more than twenty years.

June Review of Lock out Laws

24. Minister, you said that the review would be carried out in June once you received the 12-month data from the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research.

"I've been consistent since becoming Minister that we would start reviewing the lockout lawsd and gathering the data and in particular identify what data and what information we would rely on."

Have you, your office or your staff begun gathering data to identify what information we would rely on to inform the review?ⁱⁱ

a) Is this data currently being reviewed by anyone in relation to the lock out laws?

The Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing is closely monitoring data in relation to the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct and Kings Cross Precinct to help inform the statutory review.

25. So you can confirm with us that you, your office and your staff have not begun any review into lockout laws and have no intention to consider any evidence before February 2016?

Yes.

Operational Capacity

- 26. During budget estimates 2015, the minister said that the authorised strength of the NSW Police Force is 16665. What document is published that shows this figure?
 - a) If not published, when will this be published?
 - b) What is the authorised strength and actual strength and full time equivalent hours for every police Local Area Command?

Police numbers are available on the NSW Police Force website.

Misappropriation of funds

- 27. I refer to page B5 9 of Budget Paper 1 and the "significant underspend in Alcohol Related Violence programs." Can you identify the projects that were budgeted for and did not come to fruition?
 - a) Why was this the case?

Legislative provisions that facilitated the use of the budgeted funds was not passed by the NSW Parliament.

28. Can the Minister guarantee that this money was not directed anywhere outside of initiatives related to Alcohol Related Violence? And that these funds were not spent on Prison Beds?

The funds were allocated to address any short term impacts on the justice system.

29. The budget paper mentions this expenditure was "offset in part by the acceleration of some fire and life-saving upgrades for regional and rural courts."Can you provide a breakdown of what items this money intended to combat Alcohol Related

Can you provide a breakdown of what items this money intended to combat Alcohol Related Violence was spent on?

Refer to budget paper 14, 2014/15.

Electronic Tracking of DV offenders

30. Does the Minister believe there are any drawbacks of the Department of Corrective Services NSW use electronic tracking devices to monitor serious sex offenders?

When used appropriately, monitoring can be a useful tool for transitioning institutionalised offenders in the community.

31. Why did the Minister make the decision not to pursue GPS tracking for high risk domestic violence offenders?

Electronic monitoring can be imposed on offenders where appropriate.

32. Was this issue raised with the Prime Minister at the recent COAG meeting where he proposed to the state governments that GPS monitoring devices be attached to high risk perpetrators of family and domestic violence?

Please refer to the COAG communique.

Sober Up Centres

- 33. Are you committed to the continuation of so called sober-up centres like the one operated in the CBD?
 - a) Do you intend on expanding the program? Why not?
 - b) Have any plans been presented to the minister to expand the sober-up centres?
 - c) Have any reports been commissioned as to the effectiveness of the sober-up centres? If so, please list the name of each one.

After 12 months of operation, a substantive and independent evaluation was undertaken of the relevant sobering up centres.

34. How many police, nurses and other staff are stationed at the CBD drunk tank at any given time?

I am advised the centre is staffed with five professionals during opening hours.

35. How many hours a day is the CBD drunk tank open?

I am advised the centre is operational from 8pm – 6am.

High Risk Rapid Deployment System

36. Can you explain what the High Risk Rapid Deployment System is and will do?

The High Risk Rapid Deployment System will enhance response capabilities at High Risk Incidents.

37. What changes will come into effect after your implementation of the High Risk Rapid Deployment System?

In the event of a High Risk Incident, response times are improved, operational flexibility is improved enhancing effectiveness, quality of product and operational safety for operatives.

- 38. What will the police force receive for your \$821,000
- 39. Who is the current frontrunner to provide the High Risk Rapid Deployment System and what additional capacities do you expect to receive for it?

This matter is commercial in confidence.

Former Ministry of Police and Emergency Services

40. Why did you transfer all functions of the Ministry for Police and Emergency Services to the Department of Justice?

Organisational change is occurring across the Department of Justice to create a more efficient and effective department.

The restructure is to allow better alignment of responsibilities to best serve the community of NSW.

Police Numbers

- 41. As of the 24th of August 2015:
 - a) How many police officers were assigned to the Child Abuse Squad?
 - b) How many support staff were assigned to the Child Abuse Squad?
 - c) How many detectives were assigned to the Counter Terrorism and Special Tactics Command?
 - d) How many Police Officers were assigned to the firearms and organised crime related squads?
 - e) How many Police Officers were employed at the Real Time Intelligence Response Centre?
 - f) How many intelligence analysts were employed at the Real Time Intelligence Response Centre?
 - g) How many specialist forensic accountants are employed by the Cybercrime and Fraud Squad?
 - h) How many Police Officers were employed with the Serious Sex and violent Offenders Investigation Unit?

The NSW Police Force has advised me as at 24 August 2015 the Child Abuse Squad had an authorised strength of 189 and 10 'overstrength – not be deactivated' positions.

In relation to other positions information relating to numbers of specific squads is operationally sensitive. Notably, the NSW Police Commissioner is responsible for ensuring adequate policing resources in the various commands.

- 42. As of the 28th of March 2015:
 - a) How many police officers were assigned to the Child Abuse Squad?
 - b) How many support staff were assigned to the Child Abuse Squad?
 - c) How many detectives were assigned to the Counter Terrorism and Special Tactics Command?
 - d) How many Police Officers were assigned to the firearms and organised crime related squads?
 - e) How many Police Officers were employed at the Real Time Intelligence Response Centre?
 - f) How many intelligence analysts were employed at the Real Time Intelligence Response Centre?

- g) How many specialist forensic accountants are employed by the Cybercrime and Fraud Squad?
- h) How many Police Officers were employed with the Serious Sex and violent Offenders Investigation Unit?

The NSW Police Force has advised me as at 30 March 2015 the Child Abuse Squad had an authorised strength of 154 and 29 'overstrength – not be deactivated' positions.

In relation to other positions information relating to numbers of specific squads is operationally sensitive. Notably, the NSW Police Commissioner is responsible for ensuring adequate policing resources in the various commands.

Regional BOCSAR

- 43. Given that in the most recent BOSCAR results the Illawarra has the 3rd highest rate of steal from dwelling, 4th for malicious damage to property, 5th for sexual assault and 8th for domestic violence can the Minister outline what additional resources have been allocated to the:
 - a) Wollongong Local Area Command?
 - b) Lake Illawarra Area Command?
 - c) Shoalhaven Local Area Command?

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (a) Wollongong LAC: Operation PhunnelWeb was created for the pro-active intervention of offenders in the Wollongong LAC and this has focused particularly on break and enters. A number of key arrests and pro-active interventions have contributed to a significant reduction in volume crime.
- (b) Lake Illawarra LAC: Local police are conducting regular high visibility policing operations based on police intelligence.

The NSW Police Force uses intelligence driven rostering and strategies to target known offenders and crime hotspots by deploying police to those places and at those times where crime may be expected to occur. Regular tasking and deployment meetings are used by the Local Area Command to identify locations for increased patrols.

(c) Shoalhaven LAC: Offences are investigated and managed through deployment of General Duties, Target Action Group (Property Crime) and the Criminal Investigations Unit.

In respect to Domestic and Family Violence, the Command has Domestic Violence Liaison Officers to address domestic violence within the Command. Further to this there are officers from the Domestic Violence Intervention Services (DVIS) servicing the community.

The NSW Police Force uses intelligence driven rostering and strategies to target known offenders and crime hot spots by deploying police to places where crime may be expected to occur. 44. Are there any plans to close the Corrimal Police Station and relocate the Highway Patrol that is currently based at this station?

The NSW Police Force advised me no.

45. How many road side drug tests have been undertaken by the Wollongong Local Area Command during 2014/15?

The NSW Police Force has advised me the Local Area Command is not responsible for road side drug tests.

46. How many road side drug tests have been undertaken by the Lake Illawarra Local Area Command during 2014/15?

See response to 45.

47. How many road side drug tests have been undertaken by the Shoalhaven Local Area Command during 2014/15?

See response to 45.

48. How many road side RBT have been undertaken by the Wollongong Local Area Command during 2014/15?

I am advised 74,148.

49. How many road side RBT have been undertaken by the Lake Illawarra Local Area Command during 2014/15?

I am advised 95, 646.

50. How many road side RBT have been undertaken by the Shoalhaven Local Area Command during 2014/15?

I am advised 100,218.

- 51. What is the average age of the Police vehicles based at:
 - a) Wollongong Local Area Command?
 - b) Lake Illawarra Area Command?
 - c) Shoalhaven Local Area Command?

The NSW Police Force has advised the average age of the requested LACs as at 11 September 2015 is 19 months.

- 52. What is the average mileage of Police vehicles based at:
 - a) Wollongong LAC
 - b) Lake Illawarra LAC
 - c) Shoalhaven LAC
 - d) And all other LAC's.

I am advised the average mileage of Police vehicles as of 11 September 2015 is:

- a) Wollongong LAC 37,773 km.
- b) Lake Illawarra LAC 46,757 km.
- c) Shoalhaven LAC 34,781 km.
- d) All Other LAC's -38,420 km.

Other

- 53. How was security enforced on Gillieston Island during the recent floods?
- 54. Were the police represented during the ANZAC day commemorative service
- 55. Was there policing in place for ANZAC Day?
- 56. Did the community raise any concerns about a lack of policing during their isolation?
- 57. Were local police who were resident on the island deputised

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I am advised the location you refer to does not exist and therefore does not have a definable geographical area.

Prevention of Domestic Violence

- 58. In relation to domestic violence related staff and officers in the NSW Police:
 - a) How many Domestic Violence Officers are allocated to each Local Area Command?
 - b) What domestic violence related staff or officers are employed by NSW Police outside of Local Area Commands?
 - c) At which locations are domestic violence related staff or officers who are outside of Local Area Commands based?

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- a) As at 6 August 2015 there were 108 Domestic Violence Liaison Officers and 40 Domestic Violence Officers allocated to Local Area Commands.
- b) There are currently nine domestic violence related staff from several commands employed outside of Local Area Commands.
- c) Domestic violence related staff are spread across various policing regions.

Prevention of Domestic Violence

- 59. In considering the DV Disclosure Scheme,
 - a) to what extent has the potential of such a scheme to support protections for workers including women lawyers working on cases of domestic violence been considered?
 - b) Has the importance and price on the health and wellbeing of workers including women lawyers been properly considered?

This should be directed to the Minister for Women and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

60. Where in the budget have the additional resources required for the implementation of the Domestic Violence Justice Strategy been allocated?

The Domestic Violence Strategy was implemented within existing partner agency resources, changes to practices and changes to legislation.

61. What additional resources will be allocated to Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Services to enable them to meet the Domestic Violence Justice Strategy standards from July 1 2015?

Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Services (WDVCAS) will receive funding.

62. Will the Blue Mountains Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Service receive the additional \$30,000 needed to provide sufficient staffing to meet the Domestic Violence Justice Strategy standards and contact every victim referred to them by Police within one business day of receiving the referral?

I have been advised \$30,000 will be provided to the advocacy service.

Drive off/ Fail to Pay

- 63. How many petrol station drive-off/ fail to pay were reported in:
 - a) 2010, please provide a breakdown by month
 - b) 2011, please provide a breakdown by month
 - c) 2013, please provide a breakdown by month
 - d) 2014, please provide a breakdown by month
 - e) 2015, please provide a breakdown by month

The Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) publishes NSW recorded crime statistics.

64. What is the estimated value of fuel not paid for by drive-off/ fail to pay in 2015, 2014 and 2013?

I am advised there was a decrease of \$157,478 from 2013 to 2014.

The complete value of fuel not paid for in 2015 is unavailable.

- 65. How many people have been convicted of drive off/fail to pay offences in:
 - a) 2010
 - b) 2011
 - c) 2012
 - d) 2013
 - e) 2014
 - f) 2015

See response to 63.

- 66. Of the reports of drive-off/fail to pay, in 2015 how many of the cars were:
 - a) Holden
 - b) Ford

- c) Aston Martin
- d) Lamborghini
- e) Maserati
- f) Toyota
- g) Kia
- h) Skoda
- i) Volkswagon
- i) Ferrari
- k) Porcha
- l) Volvo
- m) Hyundai
- n) Daihatsuy
- o) Daewoo
- p) Mazda
- q) Nissan
- r) Mercedes Benz
- s) BMW
- t) Chrysler
- u) Suzuki
- v) Subaru
- w) Honda
- x) Audi
- y) Saab
- z) Citroen
- aa) Mini Cooper
- bb) Bentley
- cc) Jaguar
- dd) Chevrolet
- ee) Renault
- ff) Alfa Romeo
- gg) Fiat
- hh) Great Wall
- ii) Hummer
- jj) Isuzu
- kk) Jeep
- ll) Land Rover
- mm) Lexus
- nn) Lotus
- oo) Mitsubishi
- pp) Range Rover

See response to 63.

- 67. Please list the 10 suburbs that have reported the highest number of drive-off/fail to pay for fuel forms.
 - a) How many instances of fail to pay occurred in each of those suburbs?

See response to 63.

Police Academy

68. How many people are currently employed at the Goulburn Police Academy?

The NSW Police has advised me 87 employees as at 11 September 2015.

69. Have any voluntary redundancies been offered to employees of the Goulburn Police Academy since 1 January, 2014?

I am advised nil.

70. Have any compulsory redundancies been offered to employees of the Goulburn Police Academy since 1 January, 2014?

I am advised nil.

71. Is Year Two training conducted at Goulburn or Hurstville?

I am advised no.

72. Will Year Two training be conducted at Goulburn for the foreseeable future?

Refer to response provided to Hearing question on this subject.

73. Have/Will any staff at Goulburn Police Academy be required to reapply for their jobs between 1 January 2014 and 1 January 2018?

The NSW Police Force advise me no.

74. On the 2nd of September the Goulburn Post reported Assistant Commissioner Corboy as saying:

As a result of a new contract arrangement with Charles Sturt University, the NSW Police Force is required to provide a number of police officer positions to facilitate distance education and other training activities for serving police officers completing the Associate Degree in Policing Practice.

- a) What structural changes will occur as a result of this new contract?
- b) Are any jobs affected by this new contract?
- c) Will any jobs be moved as a result of this new contract?

Charles Sturt University and the NSW Police Force work closely together to ensure educational offering is of the highest standard and represents the challenges of modern policing.

Ministerial Office Administration

- 75. How many staff are in your ministerial office?
 - a) What was the average salary for staff members in your office during 2014-15?
 - b) What is the average salary for a ministerial staffer in your office based on current appointments?

Ministers' staff numbers and salary bands are available on the DPC website.

76. How many blackberries/smart phones are assigned to your staff?

- a) For each phone, how much was each bill in the past financial year?
- b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?
 - i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?

I am advised there were 227 phones in use across all Ministers' offices in 2014/15. The total usage cost of these smart phones and other mobile devices was \$354,992, a 37 per cent reduction on 2008/09 expenditure of \$578,691. There were 10 lost devices (phones and iPads) across the Ministry in 2014/15. The cost of replacing any lost or stolen devices is claimed through the NSW Treasury Managed Fund.

- 77. How many iPads or tablets does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - a) What is the cost of providing iPads or tablets to your Ministerial Office?
 - b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage?
 - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?

There were 130 iPads in use across all Ministers' offices in 2014/15. There were 10 lost devices (phones and iPads) across the Ministry in 2014/15. The cost of replacing any lost or stolen devices is claimed through the NSW Treasury Managed Fund.

- 78. Did any your or your ministerial staff incur data charges on a mobile phone or tablet device greater than \$1000 for a single billing period?
 - a) If so, how many times did this occur?
 - i. What was the individual cost of each data charge over \$1000 for a single billing period?

The total usage cost of mobile devices such as smart phones and iPads across all Ministers' offices including data charges was \$354,992 in 2014/15, a 37 per cent reduction on 2008/09 expenditure of \$578,691.

- 79. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your office?
 - a) What is the cost of this?

Modest artwork related to my portfolios, both donated and on loan are displayed in my office.

- 80. Have any floral displays or indoor plants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office?
 - a) If so, what was the cost of these items?

Floral arrangements purchased by the Ministry, including tributes such as to Martin Place siege victims, are managed within the office's budget.

- 81. What is the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals?
 - a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
 - i. Who is the subscriber for each of these?

The Office of the Deputy Premier subscribes to a modest number of publications, the cost of which is managed within the office's budget.

- 82. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office?
 - a) What were the gifts purchased?
 - i. Who were they gifted to?

Gifts are presented to dignitaries during overseas missions and to dignitaries visiting NSW and the cost is managed within the office's budget or provided by relevant agencies.

- 83. Do you purchase bottled water or provide water coolers for your office?
 - a) What is the cost of this?

Water is purchased on relevant occasions including for regional and remote travel and is managed within our office budget.

- 84. Can you advise the names of all contractors/consultants employed and/or paid for by your office, under any agreement, contract or fee-for -service arrangement in 2014-15?
 - a) Do they have ABN's?
 - i. If so, please provide details?
 - b) Details of paid or unpaid invoices and amounts?
 - c) Details of services and fees provided by each contractor and or consultant?
- 85. Details of the agreement between your office and any contractors/consultants engaged by your office?

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I am advised the Ministry did not engage any consultants during 2014/15. Information regarding the use of contractors was recently disclosed in response to a GIPA application and was published on the Department of Premier and Cabinet's disclosure log.

Ministerial and Office Travel

- 86. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
 - a) If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?

Details of overseas travel including costs are published on the Department of Premier and Cabinet's website.

- 87. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded?
 - a) What were the nature of these trips?
 - b) Who paid for these trips?

Details of overseas travel including costs are published on the Department of Premier and Cabinet's website.

- 88. What was the total bill for your office in 2014-15 for:
 - a) Taxi hire
 - b) Limousine hire
 - c) Private hire care
 - d) Hire car rental

I am advised expenditure on taxies across the Ministry in 2014/15 was \$84,257. This compares with 2009/10 expenditure of \$175,776.

- 89. Have you ever used Uber?
 - a) If yes, were any of these occasions in an UberX vehicle?
- 90. Have you or anyone in your office used Uber services travelling to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - a) Were any of those services in an UberX vehicle?
- 91. Have you or anyone in your office sought reimbursement for using Uber services to travel to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - a) What is the value of those reimbursements?
- 92. Have you used Airbnb?
- 93. Have you or anyone in your office used Airbnb as an accommodation solution whilst travelling on official business?

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No.

- 94. Have any planes or helicopters been chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money?
 - a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

Travel reports are available via the DPC website.

- 95. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
 - a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?

Operational equipment required for regional and rural travel such as a kangaroo whistle is fitted as per normal.

Labour Hire Firms

- 96. Do any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form:
 - a) The names of the firms utilised
 - b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged
 - c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company
 - f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company
 - g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company

I am advised the services of such firms are engaged at the local level, using suitable prequalification schemes according to the NSW Procurement Policy.

Media And Public Relations

97. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?

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Some of the people occupying these positions also perform other functions.

This figure includes people employed by the Office of Liquor Gaming and Racing, Arts NSW, State Cultural Institutions and Emergency Services in 2014/15, prior to joining the cluster.

98. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?

There is no anticipated change in the number of staff employed to provide public information.

99. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?

The NSW Government purchases all commercial media monitoring centrally through the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

- 100. Have you had media training or speech training?
 - a) If yes, who paid for it?
 - b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount?

No.

Consultants, Lobbyists And Former Parliamentarians

101. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Hartcher in the time since he has left the Parliament?

- a) Who attended those meetings?
- b) What was the nature of those meetings?
- c) What was discussed?
- d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 102. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Stoner in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 103. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Tim Owen in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Craig Baumann in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 105. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Cornwell in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 106. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Spence in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 107. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Darren Webber in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?

- 108. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Garry Edwards in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 109. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Bart Bassett in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?

101-109

Information regarding scheduled meetings are published in accordance with Memorandum 2015-07 Publication of Ministerial Diaries.

- 110. Has the consultancy company Premier State done any consultancy work for the Department? If so what projects was Premier State consulted on?
 - a) What was the cost of the consultancy work for each project?
 - b) Was there a tender process for these projects?

No.

- 111. Does Premier State currently have any contract work with the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
 - a) If yes, what is their role in the project?

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Consulting

- 112. How much have the Department/agencies under your portfolio responsibility spent in legal costs?
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- 113. Have Department/agencies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice:
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 - b) Photography
 - ii. And the cost of these services
 - c) Acting training
 - iii. And the cost of these services
 - d) Ergonomics

iv. And the cost of these services

112-113

Financial statements, including Legal Services expenditure and expenditure on consultants, are available in agency annual reports.

Department/Agency Administration

- 114. How many redundancies were processed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-15?
 - a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary
 - ii. Forced
 - b) What was the total cost of all redundancies?
- 115. Have any staff who received a redundancy in the last two years undertaken any paid work or provided any paid services for the agency with which they were formerly employed?
 - a) What was the nature of these works/services?
 - b) What was the total cost of these works or services?
- 116. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
- 117. How many staff were dismissed from Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2014-15?
 - a) What were the reason/s for each dismissal?

114-117

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- 118. How much was spent on corporate hospitality by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
- 119. How much was spent on indoor plant hire and maintenance by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015 year?
- 120. How much did Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend on restaurant bills during the year 2014/2015?
 - a) How much of these bills were alcohol?

118-120

Expenditure relating to the department and agencies is outlined in the annual report.

- 121. Were instances of internal fraud detected by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
 - a) What was the sum total of any such fraud and what was the result of any investigations?

All fraud related matters are referred to the NSW Police.

- 122. How large is the Department's vehicle fleet?
 - a) What is the composition of this fleet in terms of engine size?
 - b) How many of the fleet were involved in an accident during the year 2014-2015?
 - c) What was the total cost of insurance claims and repairs?

10,8061 vehicles (This figure includes the Office of Liquor Gaming and Racing, Arts NSW, State Cultural Institutions and Emergency Services in 2014/15, prior to joining the cluster).

- a) Vehicles are leased in accordance with the NSW Motor Vehicle Policy to provide road transport services for approved users.
 Emergency service vehicles are specialised equipment and each agency has a unique procurement process. The engine capacity of emergency services operation vehicles greatly depending on function, weight and capacity.
- b) I am advised 3,435 vehicle accidents were reported to our insurer.
- c) Expenditure relating to the department and agencies is outlined in the annual report.
- 123. How much did departments/agencies spend on newspaper and journal subscriptions during 2014-2015?

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- 124. How many SES employees are employed within departments/agencies under your ministerial portfolio?
 - a) What is their remuneration band?
 - b) For each SES employee, how many have:
 - i. 0 staff reporting to them;
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 - iii. less than 5 staff?

Information regarding SES employees is available in agency annual reports.

- 125. How many sick days, leave days or days attributable to workers compensation were lost for each department/agency within your portfolio responsibility during 2014-15 for:
 - a) workplace bullying;

- b) stress leave; and
- c) sick leave?

This information is not available.

- 126. Do any of the departments/agencies under your portfolio area employ actors for staff training?
 - a) If so, what is:
 - i. the size of the contract for the provision of actors for staff training in your departments?
 - ii. the term of the contracts for the provision of actors for staff training in your departments?
 - iii. the tender numbers for each of the contracts?

No.

Department/Agency Travel

- 127. What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 by Departments/agencies within your portfolio on:
 - a) Taxi hire
 - b) Limousine/private car hire
 - c) Hire car rental
 - a) \$1,006,928
 - b) \$255,802
 - c) \$476,343

Note: This figure includes the Office of Liquor Gaming and Racing, Arts NSW, State Cultural Institutions and Emergency Services in 2014/15, prior to joining the cluster.

128. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have a policy on utilising Uber services for travel on official business?

Travel is in accordance with the 'Policy on Official Travel within Australia and Overseas' available at

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- 129. Have staff in your Department/agencies either paid for with departmental funds or been recompensed for official travel using Uber services?
 - a) Were any of these payments for UberX services?

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130. Have staff in your Department/agencies either paid for with departmental funds or been recompensed for official travel using Airbnb services?

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- 131. Did any officers within departments/agencies under your ministerial portfolio use charter aircraft during the year 2014-2015?
 - a) If so what was the purpose and cost?

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Departmental/Agency IT

- 132. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an iTunes account?
 - a) What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 on iTunes?
 - i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through iTunes?

Yes

- a) \$13,066
 - i. Reading and engineer applications.
- 133. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an Android account?
 - a) What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 on Android?
 - i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through Android?

Yes.

- a) Nil
- I) Nil
- 134. How many Department/agency mobile phones, tablets and laptops were replaced due to loss or damage during 2014-2015?
 - a) What was the total cost of replacing these items?

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a) Approximately \$65,283

- 135. Did any staff within departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities incur data charges on a mobile phone or tablet device greater than \$1000 for a single billing period?
 - a) If so, how many times did this occur?
 - i. What was the individual cost of each data charge over \$1000 for a single billing period?

Yes

- a) 13
- \$1,359.17
- \$2,133.14
- \$6,869.99
- \$1,531.81
- \$1,560.73
- \$1,902.91
- \$1,362.96
- \$3,175.59
- \$7,372.30
- \$1,824.39
- \$2,862.62
- \$1,264.20
- \$1,515.00

Efficiency Dividend

- 136. What was the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2014/15 financial year?
- 137. What is the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2015/16 financial year?
- 138. What savings measures were implemented by the Department for:
 - a) 2014/15 financial year
 - b) 2013/14 financial year
 - c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 139. What actual savings were achieved by each strategy in:
 - a) 2014/15 financial year
 - b) 2013/14 financial year
 - c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 140. What reduction of staff occurred and at what cost as a result of each strategy in:
 - a) 2014/15 financial year
 - b) 2013/14 financial year
 - c) 2012/13 financial year?

- 141. For the 2015/16 financial year:
 - a) What savings measures will the Department save?
 - b) What is the expected saving to be achieved for each measure?
 - c) Will they require a reduction in staffing?
 - d) How many positions within the Department remain unfilled due to the imposition of savings measures?

136-141

In the 2015-16 Budget, the Government has committed to deliver savings by implementing further efficiency and savings measures as well as policies to eliminate duplication in Government operations and reduce procurement costs. Savings measures are detailed in the Budget Papers.

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Questions from Shaoquett Moselmane [on behalf of the NSW Labor Opposition]

Arts

Arts Budget 2015-16

142. How will commitment from the NSW State Government of an additional \$7.4m to Arts programs in Western Sydney be spent over the next 4 years?

The additional \$7.5 million investment will be allocated to support the strategic focus of *Create in NSW: NSW Arts and Cultural Policy Framework* in Western Sydney. It will provide additional funding for Western Sydney arts and cultural organisations and artists through the Arts NSW Arts and Cultural Development Program to support growth in the region and expand opportunities for Western Sydney audiences to engage in locally created arts and cultural activities.

Increasing Western Sydney's proportion of Arts NSW funding will give audiences in Western Sydney greater access to works, performances and content developed in their region.

143. How much funding from the \$600m allocation to Arts and Cultural infrastructure from the Restart NSW fund will be spent on capital projects in WS?

The NSW Government's *Rebuilding NSW: State Infrastructure Strategy 2014* reserves \$600 million for a cultural infrastructure program. The NSW Government is currently developing the framework by which funds will be administered.

Powerhouse Relocation:

144. How will the Powerhouse be funded if the new museum relocation exceeds the cost of the sale of the Ultimo site?

The cost of the new museum will be fully assessed in the Business Case which is being prepared as part of the planning process.

Western Sydney Arts Precinct:

- 145. Why was there a decision to use the Old Kings school site as a new school rather then a cultural precinct as indicated in INSW and other state government plans?
- 146. What is the commitment by the NSW State Government to the Parramatta Cultural Precinct (as outlined in various state gov policies)?

145-146

The NSW Government has committed to the relocation of the Powerhouse Museum to Parramatta as part of the development of an arts and cultural precinct for Western Sydney. The development of the model and nature of the precinct will be driven by the site selection of the Powerhouse. The decision to reinstate the Old Kings School for education purposes does not impact this process.

Ministerial Office Administration

- 147. How many staff are in your ministerial office?
 - a) What was the average salary for staff members in your office during 2014-15?
 - b) What is the average salary for a ministerial staffer in your office based on current appointments?

Refer to response 75.

- 148. How many blackberries/smart phones are assigned to your staff?
 - a) For each phone, how much was each bill in the past financial year?
 - b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?
 - i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?

Refer to response 76.

- 149. How many iPads or tablets does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - a) What is the cost of providing iPads or tablets to your Ministerial Office?
 - b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage?
 - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?

Refer to response 77.

- 150. Did any your or your ministerial staff incur data charges on a mobile phone or tablet device greater than \$1000 for a single billing period?
 - a) If so, how many times did this occur?
 - i. What was the individual cost of each data charge over \$1000 for a single billing period?

Refer to response 78.

- 151. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your office?
 - a) What is the cost of this?

Refer to response 79.

- 152. Have any floral displays or indoor plants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office?
 - a) If so, what was the cost of these items?

Refer to response 80.

- 153. What is the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals?
 - a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
 - i. Who is the subscriber for each of these?

Refer to response 81.

- 154. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office?
 - a) What were the gifts purchased?
 - i. Who were they gifted to?

Refer to response 82.

- 155. Do you purchase bottled water or provide water coolers for your office?
 - a) What is the cost of this?

Refer to response 83.

- 156. Can you advise the names of all contractors/consultants employed and/or paid for by your office, under any agreement, contract or fee-for -service arrangement in 2014-15?
 - a) Do they have ABN's?
 - i. If so, please provide details?
 - b) Details of paid or unpaid invoices and amounts?
 - c) Details of services and fees provided by each contractor and or consultant?

Refer to response 84.

157. Details of the agreement between your office and any contractors/consultants engaged by your office?

Refer to response 85.

Ministerial And Office Travel

- 158. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
 - a) If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?

Refer to response 86.

- 159. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded?
 - a) What were the nature of these trips?
 - b) Who paid for these trips?

Refer to response 87.

- 160. What was the total bill for your office in 2014-15 for:
 - a) Taxi hire
 - b) Limousine hire
 - c) Private hire care
 - d) Hire car rental

Refer to response 88.

- 161. Have you ever used Uber?
 - a) If yes, were any of these occasions in an UberX vehicle?

Refer to response 89.

- 162. Have you or anyone in your office used Uber services travelling to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - a) Were any of those services in an UberX vehicle?

Refer to response 90.

- 163. Have you or anyone in your office sought reimbursement for using Uber services to travel to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - a) What is the value of those reimbursements?

Refer to response 91.

164. Have you used Airbnb?

Refer to response 92.

165. Have you or anyone in your office used Airbnb as an accommodation solution whilst travelling on official business?

Refer to response 93.

- 166. Have any planes or helicopters been chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money?
 - a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

Refer to response 94.

- 167. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
 - a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?

Refer to response 95.

Labour Hire Firms

- 168. Do any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form:
 - a) The names of the firms utilised
 - b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged
 - c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company
 - f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company
 - g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company

Refer to response 96.

Media And Public Relations

169. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?

Refer to response 97.

170. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?

Refer to response 98.

171. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?

Refer to response 99.

- 172. Have you had media training or speech training?
 - a) If yes, who paid for it?
 - b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount?

Refer to response 100.

Consultants, Lobbyists And Former Parliamentarians

- 173. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Hartcher in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 174. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Stoner in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
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- 175. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Tim Owen in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
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- 176. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Craig Baumann in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 177. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Cornwell in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
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- 178. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Spence in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 179. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Darren Webber in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?

- c) What was discussed?
- d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 180. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Garry Edwards in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
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- 181. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Bart Bassett in the time since he has left the Parliament?
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186 - 189

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 - a) If so, what is:
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Departmental/Agency IT

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208 - 213

Refer to responses 136-141

Questions from Shaoquett Moselmane [on behalf of the NSW Labor Opposition]

Racing

Online Alcohol

- 214. How many online alcohol retailers are there in NSW?
- 215. How many licensees are permitted to offer home delivery of alcohol?

214-215

That in NSW there are 383 Packaged and 368 Producer/Wholesaler liquor licences that can only sell online.

216. How much alcohol is sold online each year?

217. Is the amount of alcohol sold online increasing or decreasing compared to previous years?

216-217

I am advised the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing does not collect total data on the quantity of alcohol sold.

- 218. What measures are taken to ensure that delivery of alcohol from an on-line retailer is not made to a person under age?
- 219. Do the current rules allow a retailer to leave alcohol unattended at door steps?
- 220. If alcohol is being delivered and left unattended at homes, how can this guarantee that alcohol is not being collected by persons under the age of eighteen?
- 221. Has any retailer been detected delivering alcohol to a person under the age of 18?
- Has the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing undertaken any enforcement actions in relation to on-line purchases of alcohol and the delivery to persons under the age of 18?
- 223. The Department's advice to online retailers is that they "must confirm that the buyer is at least 18 years of age." What methods for establishing this does the Department regard as acceptable?
- 224. It is an offence for an adult to ask a person under age to accept delivery of alcohol. Have there been any prosecutions for this offence in the last year?

218-224

I am advised the *Liquor Act 2007* requires the licensee and delivery person/courier to ensure liquor is not sold or supplied to minors. Significant penalties apply to any breaches of the Act. Audits are conducted by the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing to ensure compliance.

225. Are there any restrictions on when the delivery of alcohol to homes can take place?

Yes.

RSA

- 226. How many Responsible Service of Alcohol photo competency cards are currently on issue?

 Refer to question with notice LC 0448.
- 227. How many Responsible Service of Alcohol competency cards were issued in 2014?
 - I am advised an estimated 102,834 Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA)/Responsible Conduct of Gambling (RCG) competency cards were issued in 2014.
- 228. What is the average age of a Responsible Service of Alcohol photo competency card holder?

Refer to question with notice LC 0448.

229. How much does the Government receive each year in fees for issuing Responsible Service of Alcohol competency cards?

I am advised last financial year the program generated approximately \$10 million in gross revenue.

10 pm closing of bottle shops

230. What are the terms of reference for the review for the 10pm closing of bottle shops?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 00435 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 26.

231. What is the cost of the review expected to be?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 00435 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 26.

232. Is Shellharbour considered to be in Stage 1(regional and rural) or Stage 2 (metropolitan) of the review?

I am advised stage one.

233. When will the report of the first stage of the review of 10pm closing of bottleshops be concluded and issued?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 00435 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 26.

234. The OLGR website says that the first stage of the 10pm review of closing for bottleshops will focus on the "particular needs of rural and remote communities." When it comes to takeaway alcohol, what are the particular needs of remote communities?

Rural NSW may be affected in different ways to metropolitan NSW including geographical, social and economic variance.

Fees

235. What is the increase in legal fees for ILGA and what is the explanation for this increase?

I am advised any variance is in relation to changes made to acts and regulations. Please refer to 2015/16 Budget paper.

236. What is the increase in legal fees to the Crown Solicitor and what is the explanation for increase?

The legal fees budget reflects the workload associated with the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority's enforcement regime.

237. What is the explanation for the drop in fees and fines?

I am advised the budget estimates for 2014-15 included an estimated \$7m for the Casino Supervisory Levy included as retained fees in anticipation of an amendment to the *Casino Control Act 1992* (Act) for the Authority to retain the levy as controlled revenue.

The amendment to the Act did not eventuate. The budget estimates for 2015-16 therefore show a lower figure for retained fees for the Authority.

The Casino Supervisory Levy remains in place and is treated as Consolidated Revenue.

The Authority Recurrent Grant payment from the Justice Cluster increased by \$7.1m

Racing taxation

238. When will the Government legislate for tax parity to provide certainty to the NSW racing industry?

The new tax arrangements are being developed.

239. When will the reduced taxation arrangements take effect?

Refer to the NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing website.

240. Is the Government intending to keep control of the money rather than paying it to the racing control bodies?

This is a matter for Cabinet.

241. Will any of the money be used for enhanced prize money?

I am advised the additional revenue will help the racing controlling bodies implement a range of initiatives designed to promote industry development and growth, including in regional areas.

Racing review

- 242. When will the reviews into the Thoroughbred Racing Act 1996 and the Australian Jockey and Sydney Turf Clubs Merger Act 2010 be completed?
- 243.

 According to the Department's website, the review of the Thoroughbred Racing Act 1996 was due to be tabled in Parliament before 1 July 2014. Why has this not been met?
- 244. According to your Department's website the review of the Australian Jockey and Sydney Turf Clubs Merger Act 2010 was due to be tabled in Parliament before 16 November 2014. Why has this not happened?
- 245. How many submissions were received to each review?
- 246. When will any legislation arising from the reviews be brought forward to the Parliament?

Information regarding the review can be found on the NSW Parliament website.

Ministerial Office Administration

- 247. How many staff are in your ministerial office?
 - a) What was the average salary for staff members in your office during 2014-15?
 - b) What is the average salary for a ministerial staffer in your office based on current appointments?

Refer to response 75.

- 248. How many blackberries/smart phones are assigned to your staff?
 - a) For each phone, how much was each bill in the past financial year?
 - b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?
 - i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?

Refer to response 76.

- 249. How many iPads or tablets does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - a) What is the cost of providing iPads or tablets to your Ministerial Office?
 - b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage?
 - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?

Refer to response 77.

- 250. Did any your or your ministerial staff incur data charges on a mobile phone or tablet device greater than \$1000 for a single billing period?
 - a) If so, how many times did this occur?
 - i. What was the individual cost of each data charge over \$1000 for a single billing period?

Refer to response 78.

- 251. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your office?
 - a) What is the cost of this?

Refer response 79.

- 252. Have any floral displays or indoor plants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office?
 - a) If so, what was the cost of these items?

Refer to response 80.

- 253. What is the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals?
 - a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
 - i. Who is the subscriber for each of these?

Refer to response 81.

- 254. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office?
 - a) What were the gifts purchased?
 - i. Who were they gifted to?

Refer to response 82.

- 255. Do you purchase bottled water or provide water coolers for your office?
 - a) What is the cost of this?

Refer to response 83.

- 256. Can you advise the names of all contractors/consultants employed and/or paid for by your office, under any agreement, contract or fee-for -service arrangement in 2014-15?
 - a) Do they have ABN's?
 - i. If so, please provide details?
 - b) Details of paid or unpaid invoices and amounts?
 - c) Details of services and fees provided by each contractor and or consultant?
- 257. Details of the agreement between your office and any contractors/consultants engaged by your office?

256-257

Refer to responses 84-85.

Ministerial And Office Travel

- 258. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
 - a) If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?

Refer to response 86.

- 259. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded?
 - a) What were the nature of these trips?
 - b) Who paid for these trips?

Refer to response 87.

260. What was the total bill for your office in 2014-15 for:

- a) Taxi hire
- b) Limousine hire
- c) Private hire care
- d) Hire car rental

Refer to response 88.

- 261. Have you ever used Uber?
 - a) If yes, were any of these occasions in an UberX vehicle?
- 262. Have you or anyone in your office used Uber services travelling to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - a) Were any of those services in an UberX vehicle?
- 263. Have you or anyone in your office sought reimbursement for using Uber services to travel to or from work-related events, meetings or functions?
 - a) What is the value of those reimbursements?
- 264. Have you used Airbnb?
- 265. Have you or anyone in your office used Airbnb as an accommodation solution whilst travelling on official business?

261-265

Refer to responses 89-93.

- 266. Have any planes or helicopters been chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money?
 - a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

Refer to responses 94.

- 267. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
 - a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?

Refer to responses 95.

Labour Hire Firms

- 268. Do any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form:
 - a) The names of the firms utilised
 - b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged
 - c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company
 - e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company

- f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company
- g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company

Refer to responses 96.

Media And Public Relations

269. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?

Refer to responses 97.

270. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?

Refer to responses 98.

271. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities?

Refer to responses 99.

- 272. Have you had media training or speech training?
 - a) If yes, who paid for it?
 - b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount?

Refer to response 100.

Consultants, Lobbyists And Former Parliamentarians

- 273. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Hartcher in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 274. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Stoner in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 275. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Tim Owen in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?

- 276. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Craig Baumann in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 277. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Andrew Cornwell in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 278. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Chris Spence in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 279. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Darren Webber in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 280. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Garry Edwards in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?
- 281. Have you, your office or your Departmental Officers had any meetings with former MP Bart Bassett in the time since he has left the Parliament?
 - a) Who attended those meetings?
 - b) What was the nature of those meetings?
 - c) What was discussed?
 - d) Were any records of those meetings kept?

Refer to responses 101-109.

- 282. Has the consultancy company Premier State done any consultancy work for the Department? If so what projects was Premier State consulted on?
 - a) What was the cost of the consultancy work for each project?
 - b) Was there a tender process for these projects?
- 283. Does Premier State currently have any contract work with the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
 - a) If yes, what is their role in the project?

Refer to responses 110-111.

Consulting

- 284. How much have the Department/agencies under your portfolio responsibility spent in legal costs?
 - a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?
- 285. Have Department/agencies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice:
 - a) Social media
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - b) Photography
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - c) Acting training
 - i. And the cost of these services
 - d) Ergonomics
 - i. And the cost of these services

284 - 285

Refer to responses 112-113.

Department/Agency Administration

- 286. How many redundancies were processed by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-15?
 - a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary
 - ii. Forced
 - b) What was the total cost of all redundancies?
- 287. Have any staff who received a redundancy in the last two years undertaken any paid work or provided any paid services for the agency with which they were formerly employed?
 - a) What was the nature of these works/services?
 - b) What was the total cost of these works or services?

- 288. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibility?
- 289. How many staff were dismissed from Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2014-15?
 - a) What were the reason/s for each dismissal?

Refer to responses 114-117.

- 290. How much was spent on corporate hospitality by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
- 291. How much was spent on indoor plant hire and maintenance by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015 year?
- 292. How much did Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend on restaurant bills during the year 2014/2015?
 - a) How much of these bills were alcohol?

290 - 292

Refer to responses 118-120.

- 293. Were instances of internal fraud detected by Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2014-2015?
 - a) What was the sum total of any such fraud and what was the result of any investigations?

Refer response 121.

- 294. How large is the Department's vehicle fleet?
 - a) What is the composition of this fleet in terms of engine size?
 - b) How many of the fleet were involved in an accident during the year 2014-2015?
 - c) What was the total cost of insurance claims and repairs?

Refer response 122.

295. How much did departments/agencies spend on newspaper and journal subscriptions during 2014-2015?

Refer response 123.

- 296. How many SES employees are employed within departments/agencies under your ministerial portfolio?
 - a) What is their remuneration band?

- b) For each SES employee, how many have:
 - i. 0 staff reporting to them;
 - ii. less than 2 staff reporting to them; and
 - iii. less than 5 staff?

Refer response 124.

- 297. How many sick days, leave days or days attributable to workers compensation were lost for each department/agency within your portfolio responsibility during 2014-15 for:
 - a) workplace bullying;
 - b) stress leave; and
 - c) sick leave?

Refer response 125.

- 298. Do any of the departments/agencies under your portfolio area employ actors for staff training?
 - a) If so, what is:
 - i. the size of the contract for the provision of actors for staff training in your departments?
 - ii. the term of the contracts for the provision of actors for staff training in your departments?
 - iii. the tender numbers for each of the contracts?

Refer response 126.

Department/Agency Travel

- 299. What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 by Departments/agencies within your portfolio on:
 - a) Taxi hire
 - b) Limousine/private car hire
 - c) Hire car rental

Refer to response 127.

300. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have a policy on utilising Uber services for travel on official business?

Refer to response 128.

- 301. Have staff in your Department/agencies either paid for with departmental funds or been recompensed for official travel using Uber services?
 - a) Were any of these payments for UberX services?

Refer to response 129.

302. Have staff in your Department/agencies either paid for with departmental funds or been recompensed for official travel using Airbnb services?

Refer response 130.

- 303. Did any officers within departments/agencies under your ministerial portfolio use charter aircraft during the year 2014-2015?
 - a) If so what was the purpose and cost?

Refer response 131.

Departmental/Agency IT

- 304. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an iTunes account?
 - a) What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 on iTunes?
 - i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through iTunes?

Refer response 132.

- 305. Do the Departments/agencies within your portfolio have an Android account?
 - a) What was the total expenditure in 2014-15 on Android?
 - i. What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through Android?

Refer response 133.

- 306. How many Department/agency mobile phones, tablets and laptops were replaced due to loss or damage during 2014-2015?
 - a) What was the total cost of replacing these items?

Refer response 134.

- 307. Did any staff within departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities incur data charges on a mobile phone or tablet device greater than \$1000 for a single billing period?
 - a) If so, how many times did this occur?
 - i. What was the individual cost of each data charge over \$1000 for a single billing period?

Refer response 135.

Efficiency Dividend

- 308. What was the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2014/15 financial year?
- 309. What is the efficiency dividend required of the department in the 2015/16 financial year?
- 310. What savings measures were implemented by the Department for:
 - a) 2014/15 financial year
 - b) 2013/14 financial year
 - c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 311. What actual savings were achieved by each strategy in:
 - a) 2014/15 financial year
 - b) 2013/14 financial year

- c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 312. What reduction of staff occurred and at what cost as a result of each strategy in:
 - a) 2014/15 financial year
 - b) 2013/14 financial year
 - c) 2012/13 financial year?
- 313. For the 2015/16 financial year:
 - a) What savings measures will the Department save?
 - b) What is the expected saving to be achieved for each measure?
 - c) Will they require a reduction in staffing?
 - d) How many positions within the Department remain unfilled due to the imposition of savings measures?

Refer responses 136-141.

Questions from David Shoebridge

GPSC No: 4

Justice and Police

Middle Eastern Crime Squad

314. What is the definition of 'Middle Eastern organised crime'?

The NSW Police Force has advised me Middle Eastern Organised Crime (MEOC) is defined as Networks/Groups and their associates involved in serious and organised crime with a focus on those individuals/groups who have a propensity to use violence to achieve their criminal ends.

315. How is it determined whether a particular investigation will be carried out by the Middle Eastern Organised Crime Squad rather than another Squad in the Organised Crime Directorate of the State Crime Command, such as the Gangs Squad, Firearms and Organised Crime Squad or Organised Crime Squad?

The NSW Police Force has advised me MEOC investigations can be self generated, based on intelligence or source information. Additionally, Investigations referred via 'Requests For Assistance' by Regions and/or Local Area Commands are assessed by the Director, Organised Crime Directorate, State Crime Command together with the Commander MEOCS to determine (inter alia) if the request falls within the MEOC charter as well as risk assessing the referral to prioritise its urgency or otherwise.

- 316. How many arrests were made and charges laid by the Middle Eastern Crime Squad in each year since the Squad's establishment in 2006?
- 317. For 9. What were the finalised charges in each instance?

316-317

I am advised the Middle Eastern Crime Squad has various interactions with persons of interest including charges and non-court actions.

318. For 9. What was the outcome of these charges?

I am advised outcomes included adjournment/remand, conviction proved, dealt with under young offenders act, non-conviction not proved, non-conviction proved, results awaited, without conviction proved.

319. What is the recorded ethnic background of the people arrested by the Middle Eastern Crime Squad for every year since the Squad was established in 2006?

I am advised this information is unavailable.

COPS database

320. What training is provided to police officers regarding entries in the COPS database?

Students undertake COPS related training throughout the Associate Diploma of Policing Practice. Police officers also undertake ongoing training relating to COPS including on-line learning and field based face to face training.

321. What guidance, circulars/policies are in place regarding the COPS database?

WebCOPS e-guide, e-learning and training systems are available to all NSW Police Force employees and local training and awareness is undertaken.

322. What material is in the SOPs regarding COPS entries?

Business SOPs vary therefore it is not possible to provide an answer.

323. What steps, if any, can people take to challenge material held about themselves in the COPS database?

The NSW Police Force has advised steps are in accordance with the Government Information Public Access Act.

Blind reporting

- 324. Does the NSW Police have any current arrangements which allow organisations of any kind to fulfil mandatory reporting requirements by "blind reporting"?
- 325. Has legal advice been obtained about the possible implications under s316 of the Crimes Act of any such arrangements?

324-325

The NSW Police Force has advised me It is mandatory for certain agencies and professions to report incidents of abuse and/or neglect of children (or the likelihood of abuse and/or neglect) to Family and Community Services (Children and Young Persons (Care and Protection) Act 1988). The NSW Police Force is one such mandatory reporter. The NSW Police Force does not have any arrangement that allows for such incidents to be blind reported to it, which is to say the NSW Police Force requires those reporting current matters of abuse and neglect against children to provide information on the person(s) responsible for the neglect/abuse, if known.

326. What changes have been made to any existing MOUs following the findings from the Police Integrity Commission Operation Protea?

The NSW Police Force has advised me none at this stage.

Tattoo Industry Legislation

327. How many prosecutions have been made as a result of the licensing scheme implemented for the tattoo industry?

There were 22 legal actions taken out under the licensing provisions of the *Tattoo Parlours Act 2012.*

328. How much money is allocated for enforcement of licensing requirements for the tattoo industry?

Enforcing this legislation is conducted as part of normal 'business as usual' policing activity.

Specialist Domestic Violence Police Officers

329. Will these officers be part of the new Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme pilot program?

It is anticipated all Domestic Violence Liaison Officers (DVLOs) and any 'Specialist DV Police Officers' within relevant areas will support the DVDS in some capacity.

330. How is the Domestic Violence Specialist Police Officer different from the role of the Domestic Violence Liaison Officer?

The 'DV Specialist Police Officer' will perform the role of DVLO.

Police Media

331. How many FTE staff are in the police media unit?

The NSW Police advise me 25 positions.

332. What is the total budget of the police media unit?

Expenditure relating to the department and agencies is outlined in the annual report.

Gay murders

333. What is the NSW Police force doing to deal with the patterns emerging regarding gay hate murders in the last 1980s/early 1990s?

The NSW Police Force has advised me the Homicide Squad Unsolved Homicide Team conducts assessments of unsolved 'gay hate' homicides.

At the present time the Surry Hills Local Area Command and the NSW Police Force Bias Crime Unit, with the assistance of the UHT, are conducting a review into deaths that occurred between 1972 and 2001.

Specialist DV Police Officers

334. Of the 24 new domestic violence specialist police officer positions announced in June for 2015-2016, how many positions have now been filled, and what exactly is the role they are undertaking?

The allocation of policing resources is a matter for the NSW Police Commissioner. The role of that they will be undertaking is that of a DVLO.

335. Given the prevalence of domestic and family violence in regional areas, how many positions will be assigned to regional and rural areas?

Refer response 334.

DVDRT reports

336. When are the 2013-14 and 2014-15 reports of the Domestic Violence Death expected to be released?

I expect it to be tabled in due course.

COPS migration

337. What is the current status of the technical migration of the COPS database?

Tender Evaluation State.

338. How much of the \$44.8 million allocated for the technical migration of the database is being spent?

The NSW Police Force advise approximately 28%.

339. What was the cost of each stage of the modernisation program?

I am advised:

FY 2013/14: approximately 22% of allocated budget

FY 2014/15: approximately 13% of allocated budget

FY 2015/16: financial year not yet concluded

What steps have been taken to ensure that problems like that identified following the class action cannot occur under the modernised database?

The NSW Police Force has advised me recent enhancements in WebCOPS have been undertaken relative to Bail, in line with legislative amendments. These are currently under review by the Bail Monitoring Working Group.

A capital funded Program of works engaged to develop new COPS has identified and confirmed business requirements which will lead to the required functionality within the new COPS components.

341. In particular, what steps have been taken to resolve issues with the integration between Justicelink and the COPS database?

The NSW Police Force has advised me the Justice Link Program has completed its approved works. The NSWPF and Department of Justice continue to liaise to review systems issues, in particular integration. The NSWPF FSG Criminal Records Section

have also been provisioned with additional monitoring capabilities to reduce issues between the agencies.

When is it anticipated that sufficient changes will have been made to avoid this kind of problem in future?

The NSW Police Force has advised me changes will continue based on legislative requirements as mandated.

Aboriginal police officers

343. How many Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identified Police Officers or officer/administrative staff are there in the NSW Police Force?

Please refer to the annual report.

Police Commissioner duties

344. What is the Commissioner's annual salary, including superannuation and other employee related benefits?

Please refer to the annual report.

345. What employee related benefits does the Commissioner receive over and above salary and superannuation?

Refer to response 344.

346. How many days did the Commissioner spend outside the jurisdiction of NSW in the 2013-14 financial year and for what purposes?

Over the last two years the Commissioner has spent 33 days interstate undertaking official duties including participating on the Boards of the Australian Crime Commission and Crimtrac and attending the Standing Council on Police and Emergency Management, National Policing Senior Officer Group and the Australia and New Zealand Police Commissioner's Forum.

347. How many days did the Commissioner spend outside the jurisdiction of NSW in the 2014-15 financial year and for what purposes?

Refer to response 346.

348. How many week days did the Commissioner work from home NSW in the 2013-14 financial year?

The Commissioner's duties regularly require him to work outside of the office, for example, when making regional visits, visits to operational police stations and other facilities, or attending Policing awards and other functions.

349. How many week days did the Commissioner work from home NSW in the 2014-15 financial year?

Refer response 348.

350. How many week days did the Commissioner not work as Commissioner in the 2013-14 financial year?

The NSW Police Force has advised me over the last two financial years the Commissioner has taken 48 days of recreation leave, 7 days of extended leave and 3 days of sick leave. When the Commissioner is on recreation or extended leave his duties are carried out by one of the Deputy Commissioners relieving in his position.

351. How many week days did the Commissioner not work as Commissioner in the 2014-15 financial year?

Refer response 350.

Domestic Violence Specialist Police Officer positions

- 352. Given the prevalence of domestic and family violence in regional areas, how many of the new 24 Domestic Violence Specialist Police Officer positions will be assigned to regional and rural areas?
 - a) What regional and rural areas will they be assigned to?

Refer to response 334.

Surveillance of injured police

- 353. What arrangements are in place to allow legal representatives of injured workers to be consulted in negotiations between the NSW Police, First State Super and Met Life insurance concerning discounted paybacks of partial and permanent benefit payments when total and permanent benefit settlements are negotiated with injured police?
- Why are the legal representatives of injured police not included in these negotiations, given the level of expertise and knowledge they have as to the merits of their clients claims?

353-354

I am advised the NSW Police Force's involvement varies case to case.

- 355. How many injured police and former police were placed under surveillance by EML in relation to workers compensation claims arising from injuries, or alleged injuries, with the NSW police in:
 - a) 2013/14
 - b) 2014/15
 - c) 2015/16 to date?

The NSW Police Force has advised me this is a matter for EML.

- 356. What checks and balances are in place to prevent the abuse of surveillance on injured police by insurers?
- 357. Does the NSW Police approve of the use of data capturing programs by private investigators which capture large amounts of data, images and text from the Facebook profiles of former and injured NSW police where access to the profiles is limited only to the Facebook user's friends?
- 358. Is the NSW Police aware of instances where the behaviour detailed in 5 above has been undertaken by private investigators employed by insurers who are assessing claims made by injured NSW police for workers compensation benefits?
 - a) If so, in how many instances?
 - b) Does the NSW police approve of this?
- 359. Is the NSW Police aware of instances where the behaviour detailed in 5 above has been undertaken by private investigators employed by EML insurance when assessing claims made by injured NSW police for workers compensation benefits?
 - a) If so, in how many instances?
 - b) Does the NSW police approve of this?

I am advised First State Superannuation Trustee Corporation has developed a Code of Practice on the use of surveillance by insurers.

Questions from John Kaye

GPSC No: 4

Justice and Police, Arts and Racing

Thursday 3 September

Special Commission of Inquiry into the Greyhound Racing Industry in New South Wales

- 360. According to the Ministerial Diaries disclosure for the period 1January 31 to 31 March 2015, the Minister met with Justice McHugh, RSPCA and Greyhound Racing NSW on the 19th of February 2015. Can the Minister please detail
 - a) What was discussed at the meeting
 - b) The outcomes of the meeting.

Refer to response 19.

361. During the budget estimates hearing on Wednesday 2 December, the Minister said: "I think from the Four Corners material, Queensland and Melbourne—whilst I am not condoning for a second any of the activity in New South Wales—had a far worse occurrence of live baiting and breaches of animal welfare." On what basis does the Minister make this claim? Please provide details

Information made available to the NSW Government and the public.

- 362. The Special Commission of Inquiry was originally due to hand down its final report in September 2015.
 - a) Can the Minister please provide reasons as to why an extension to 31 March 2016 was necessary?

The Special Commission of Inquiry sought an extension to its reporting timeframe to ensure it could review and consider the significant quantity of evidence that has been provided, make use of expert advice on key issues, and conduct necessary hearings.

Police involvement in the greyhound racing industry

363. Is the Minister aware that a joint Queensland Police Service and RSPCA Task Force has been established and is currently investigating allegations of animal cruelty in the greyhound racing industry?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 0082 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 15.

- 364. Has a taskforce or similar body been established in New South Wales to investigate allegations of animal cruelty in the greyhound racing industry?
 - a) If so, what is its size, terms of reference and duration?
 - b) If not, why not?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 0082 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 15.

- Are there any plans to establish a police taskforce or similar body in response to animal cruelty allegations in the greyhound racing industry in New South Wales?
 - a) If not, why not?
 - b) If so, what is its proposed size, terms of reference and duration?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 0082 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 15.

- 366. Will NSW Police be allocating any additional resources to investigate animal cruelty matters to assist the NSW Special Commission of Inquiry into the greyhound racing industry in New South Wales?
 - a) If not, why not?
 - b) If so, what are these additional resources

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 0082 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 15.

367. What has been the NSW Police's response to animal cruelty allegations in the greyhound racing following the airing of live baiting footage on the ABC Four Corner's program in February this year?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 0082 on this subject published in Questions and Answers Paper No. 15.

- 368. Since February this year (inclusive) how many participants in the greyhound racing industry in NSW have been
 - a) arrested relating to animal cruelty related offences
 - b) charged animal cruelty related offences

Detailed information regarding all participants including spectators in the greyhound racing industry is not readily available.

- 369. Are NSW Police and or the Department of Public Prosecutions investigating potential criminal activity in relation to the release of internal emails between former Greyhound Racing NSW officials as made public by the ABC on Monday 31 August?
 - a) If so please provide details
 - b) If not why not?

The NSW Police has advise me there is no open investigation by the NSW Police Force.

- 370. Are NSW police currently investigating the alleged mass grave of greyhounds at the Keinbah Trial Track near Cessnock?
 - a) If so please provide details.
 - b) If not why not.

The NSW Police Force has advised me the NSW Police Force undertook preliminary inquiries with the property's owners.

371. Please detail that type and level of information that Greyhound Racing NSW is required to give to NSW police when investigating alleged animal cruelty cases.

The NSW Police Force has advised me particular information required on alleged animal cruelty cases will vary on a case by case basis.

Gaming – Stakeholder meetings

What investment opportunities were canvased between the Minister and Wynn Resorts Limited at the recent introductory meeting in May 2015?

Refer to response 19.

- Was hotel gaming machine taxation discussed at the June 2015 meeting with Australian Hotels Association and the Minister?
 - a) If so, please provide details of what was discussed and in particular was equalisation with clubs poker machines rates addressed?

Refer to response 19.

Gaming – Electronic Gaming Machines

- 374. How many gaming machine entitlements are currently applied to multi-terminal machines in NSW?
- 375. For the last hotel gaming machine tax year, what was the total annual electronic gaming machine profit for all hotels in each Local Government Area?
- 376. For the last hotel gaming machine tax year, what was the total annual electronic gaming machine tax paid for all hotels in each Local Government Area?
- 377. How many hotel gaming machine entitlements are there currently in each Local Government Area?
- 378. For the last clubs gaming machine tax year, what was the total annual electronic gaming machine profit for all clubs in each Local Government Area?
- 379. For the last clubs gaming machine tax year, what was the total annual electronic gaming machine tax paid for all clubs in each Local Government Area?
- 380. How many club gaming machine entitlements are there currently in each Local Government Area?

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Information can be found through the NSW Independent Liquor and Gaming Regulator website.

381. Are there any restrictions or regulations governing the location of gaming machines within venues and their physical or visual proximity to dining or food service areas?

Hotels are prohibited from having gaming machines in dining areas and may only have machines within a gaming room or the bar area.

- 382. Has the government progressed their 2014 ClubsNSW Memorandum of Understanding commitment to work "with industry and community to introduce voluntary pre-commitment throughout NSW"?
 - a) If so, what has been done to date and which industry and community groups have been approached?

The NSW Government is investigating options on how this commitment may be best achieved.

Hospitality - Review of 10pm take-away liquor sales restrictions

- 383. Recognising that Industry will likely have more capacity to contribute to a voluntary call for submissions, what steps is the government taking to ensure that both parts of the review of the 10pm restrictions on take-away liquor sales canvas a range of community and industry perspective?
- What data is being collected to inform the review of the 10pm take-away liquor sales restriction across NSW?
 - a) Is the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research involved in this review? If so, how?

I refer the Member to my response to his written question number 00435 on this subject, published in Questions and Answers Paper No.26.

385. Given the research evidence demonstrating that off-licence liquor outlets are linked to increases in rates of family violence, will the Government's review of the 10pm restriction on take-away liquor sales consider Police data on reported incidents of alcohol-related family violence?

I am advised a range of data is being collected including from BOCSAR to inform the review.

Hospitality - Community Impact Statements and Planning

386. What steps has the government taken to honour its 2014 pre-election commitment to review the operation of the Community Impact Statement process?

The Community Impact Statement will be considered as part of the Government development of a coordinated planning and liquor licensing model in conjunction with the Government's reforms to the planning system being undertaken by the Department of Planning and Environment.

387. How will the government adjust the current system to improve consideration of the community impact of alcohol-related harms in licensing and planning decisions?

This will be considered as part of the process referred to in question 386.

388. Given the research evidence demonstrating that off-licence liquor outlets are linked to increases in rates of family violence, how will the government ensure that licensing and planning laws are amended to recognise and contain the risk of family violence resulting from the greater availability of take-away liquor?

Minimising the harm associated with the misuse and abuse of alcohol is a key objective of NSW liquor laws. This includes any domestic violence that may arise from the misuse and abuse of alcohol.

I am advised consideration of domestic violence rates and other alcohol-related harms impacting a community forms a key part of the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority's determination.

389. Would the government consider restricting the ability of developers to resubmit alcohol or gambling venue development applications to council that have already been rejected once before and that have not dramatically changed in nature?

This question should be directed to the Minister for Planning.

Hospitality - Stakeholder meetings

390. How many times has Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing representatives met with alcohol industry representatives over the last 12 months? Please provide a list of the representatives and the number of times they were each met with over the past 12 months.

I am advised the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing has structured and planned meetings with several key stakeholders with the capacity to contribute to achieving the statutory objectives of the liquor and gaming laws.

391. How many times has Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing representatives met with harm reduction groups or public health groups over the last 12 months? Please provide a list of the representatives and the number of times they were each met with over the past 12 months.

I am advised the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing has structured and planned meetings with several key stakeholders with the capacity to contribute to achieving the statutory objectives of the liquor and gaming laws. .

Hospitality - Biennial Returns

- 392. Of the 3,389 biennial returns that were still outstanding as of 31 August 2014,
 - a) How many of these venues have been determined as no longer trading?
 - b) How many were investigated for non-compliance?
 - c) How many were issued penalty notices and what was the value of the penalty notices?
 - d) How many are still outstanding?
 - e) If any remain outstanding, why is this so?
 - a) I am advised it is not possible to determine how many of the 3,389 biennial venues were no longer trading as at 31 August 2014.

- b) I am advised 5969 venues
- c) 67 penalty notices

Hospitality – Liquor Licences

393. Can the Minister please provide an update on the current evaluation of the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct Plan of Management?

A final report is still being developed.

When does the Minister think that this evaluation of the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct Plan of Management will be finalised?

The report is expected to be submitted next year.

395. Does the Minister intend to publish the results of the Evaluation of the Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct Plan of Management?

This is a matter for Cabinet.

- 396. How many, if any, venues with liquor licences cancelled since the introduction of the annual liquor licence fees have been caught trading without a licence?
 - a) If any venues have been caught, what have been the penalties?

I am advised OLGR had identified breaches for selling liquor without a licence by premises who liquor licence were cancelled as part of the periodic license fee scheme in 2015.

Information regarding licence fees is available at www.olgr.nsw.gov.au

- 397. Are dormant licences subject to annual liquor licence fees?
 - a) If so, how much is a dormant licence charged?

Refer to response 397.

398. How many venues have applied for exemption from the Sydney CBD and Kings Cross lock out and last drink restrictions since they came into effect?

I am advised 22 on 28 September 2015.

399. How many venues who have applied for exemption from the Sydney CBD and Kings Cross lock out and last drink restrictions have been successful?

I am advised 14 as of 29 September 2015.

400. How many, if any, public entertainment venues within the CBD and Kings Cross precincts are exempt from the last drink and lock out requirements? Please list by venue name.

I am advised 0 on 28 September 2015.

Hospitality - General

- 401. Since the introduction of the banning orders for the Kings Cross and Sydney CBD Entertainment Precincts, how many people have been subjected to the 48 hour ban and how many to the 12 month ban?
 - a) Of the 12 month bans listed above, how many have been subject to appeal?
 - 912 people have received short term banning orders.
 - 245 people have received long term banning orders.
 - 11 orders have been appealed.

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