



**The Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP**  
Minister for Transport

**Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13  
General Purpose Standing Committee 3**

**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 1.** When will the first piece of track be laid on the Hills to Chatswood Shuttle (described your Government as the North West Rail Link)?

**Answer:**

There is no such project as the Hills to Chatswood shuttle. The first of the tunnel boring machines for the North West Rail Link will be in the ground in 2014.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 2.** The draft long term masterplan at page 98 figure 4.25 indicates that the Hills to Chatswood shuttle (described your Government as the North West Rail Link) will commence in or around late 2017 – early 2018. There have also been a number of different dates given to when the first passengers will be on this service including 2017, 2018 and 2019. When will the people of NW Sydney be able to travel on a train to Chatswood via the Hills to Chatswood Shuttle (described your Government as the North West Rail Link)?

**Answer:**

The draft NSW Long Term Transport Master Plan does not make mention of the terminology you use.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 3.** How will passenger growth across the CityRail network be accommodated without a city relief line and/or a second harbour crossing?

**Answer:**

Sydney's Rail Future clearly articulates the need for a second harbour rail crossing following construction of the North West Rail Link.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 4.** Is a review taking place into the school transport travel scheme?

- a. If so what are the details – timeframe, cost criteria etc of this review?
- b. If not is there a plan to review this program?
- c. Can you guarantee that every student who is currently eligible for this scheme will continue to be eligible?

**Answer:**

There is no proposal under consideration to change the School Student Transport Scheme.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 5.** The etenders website indicates that TfNSW has paid \$5,137,686 for recruitment services contracts:

- a. how many positions are recruited under these contracts?
- b. how many people for these positions have been successfully recruited?
- c. how many positions remain unfilled under these contracts?
- d. Is the cost of advertising included in these contracts or is this a separate line item?

**Answer:**

All recruitment contracts have been disclosed, as appropriate. Positions have been advertised in newspapers and online in the course of establishing Transport for NSW.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 6.** Minister can you please provide a list of positions in Transport for NSW that have been advertised in newspapers and through paid advertising online?

- a. Can you please provide the figure for the total cost of this advertising?
- b. Can you please indicate how many positions have been successfully filled as a result of these advertisements?
- c. Can you please provide a list of the positions that have been advertised but are currently unfilled?

**Answer:**

Information about Transport for NSW job opportunities is available at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au).

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 7.** Third Horizon Consulting Partners have been contracted at a cost of \$5,341,520 for just under 12 months work to operate the Corporate and Shared Services Reform Program Management Office. Can you outline what these consultants actually do?

- a. Can you please inform the committee how many positions this consultancy has dealt with?
- b. Has this work been completed?

**Answer:**

Details regarding contracts awarded are available on the NSW eTendering website at [www.tenders.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tenders.nsw.gov.au)

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 8.** Third Horizon Consulting Partners has been contracted at a cost of \$500,000 to develop a performance based services contract between TfNSW and Railcorp. Why was this project required?

- a. Is there not the inhouse expertise to develop such a contract?
- b. Has this project been completed?
- c. What were the outcomes of this project?

**Answer:**

Details regarding contracts awarded are available on the NSW eTendering website at [www.tenders.nsw.gov.au](http://www.tenders.nsw.gov.au)

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 9.** INS Career Management has been contracted at a cost of \$1,259,897 for career development services from Oct 2011 – Nov 2012. Can you inform the committee how many public sector workers have accessed these services?

- a. The nature of these services? and
- b. a breakdown of the numbers and level of service provided?

**Answer:**

INS Career Management has provided services including to support public sector workers in redeployment, career counselling services and managing voluntary redundancy as a result of the Government's reforms to create the integrated transport authority – Transport for NSW.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 10.** Can you confirm that between April 2011 and March 2012 Booz and Co has been contracted across 5 projects at a cost of \$10,898,351?  
a. Has all the work Booz and Co have been contracted for been completed?  
b. Can you confirm that any reports or results of this work will not be released publically or to the parliament?

**Answer:**

The Government seeks advice from a range of experts. All procurement is conducted in accordance with relevant guidelines.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 11.** What are the days and hours of operation of the @131500 twitter accounts for:

- a. @131500trains?
- b. @131500buses?
- c. @131500ferries?
- d. Who operates these accounts?
- e. What is the cost of these services?

**Answer:**

I refer to my answer provided to Question on Notice LC 2236.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 12.** Can you provide a breakdown list to the committee of the total projected costs for each project under Transport Access Program by each financial year and including the commencement date and anticipated completion date for each aspect of this work?

**Answer:**

The Government has made a commitment of more than \$770 million this term to build key facilities and undertake much needed upgrade works at stations and interchanges, under the Transport Access Program.

On 23 April I announced more than \$100 million in the first round of funding to make improvements at over 35 locations. Major work in this first round includes a brand new station at Flinders, in the Illawarra, a major upgrade to Cardiff Station in the Hunter, a major interchange upgrade at Fairfield, in Western Sydney, and an upgrade to Balmain wharf.

On 29 May 2012 I announced more than \$170 million to build 9 new commuter car parks at Granville, Sutherland, Padstow, Canley Vale, Kiama, Moss Vale, Oak Flats, Lindfield and Gordon. This will provide more than 1,200 new car spaces for commuters across the network.

There will be more announcements to come. Details can be found at [www.transport.nsw.gov.au](http://www.transport.nsw.gov.au)

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 13.** Does the decision to make the Hills to Chatswood shuttle (described your Government as the North West Rail Link) a single deck service mean that this line will never be able to be fully integrated into the Cityrail network at Richmond or along the Richmond

**Answer:**

The North West Rail Link will be part of an integrated network for NSW. Sydney's Rail Future outlines in detail how this integration will be implemented.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 14.** Minister, how many transit officers are currently employed by RailCorp by region?

- a. How many transit officers have been made redundant?
- b. How many, if any have been made transit officers have been made Revenue Protection Officers?
- c. Are transit officers operational on CountryLink services?

**Answer:**

- a-b) From 1 May, the NSW Police Force has taken over security for the entire public transport network under a new dedicated Police Transport Command. The new command will see 610 dedicated police officers allocated to patrol trains, buses and ferries.

Further, 150 revenue protection officers will focus on detecting fare evasion and minor compliance offences and their patrols will cover trains, buses and ferries.

Transit officer numbers vary during the transition period.

- c) Yes.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 15.** What probity and audit arrangements are in place to ensure that the up to \$10 million bonus being offered to unsuccessful shortlisted tenderers for the Hills to Chatswood Shuttle (described your Government as the North West Rail Link) is not inflated by those making a bid?

**Answer:**

The Government is not offering a bonus to unsuccessful shortlisted tenderers.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 16.** How much funding to date has been expended on the now deferred Emu Plains Stabling Facility?

**Answer:**

Work on the Emu Plains Stabling Facility commenced under the former Labor Government. Regrettably, the constant changes in Labor's transport plans meant a fleet stabling strategy was never properly developed and implemented.

Transport for NSW recently undertook a review of all train stabling requirements across the network to ensure the best use of resources while maintaining service reliability. With two major stabling facilities being delivered at Auburn and Rossmore, it was determined that the stabling facility at Emu Plains would not be required for a number of years.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 17.** In relation to the Transport Access Program:

- a. The Minister has previously stated that the outcomes of the review of the Easy Access Program would be made public when the review is completed. When will these outcomes be made public?
- b. How many stations are accessible?
- c. How many stations are anticipated to be accessible by 31 December 2012?

**Answer:**

The previous Labor government's progress towards accessible train stations was painfully slow, at only two upgrades per year. At that rate it would have taken 90 years to upgrade all stations on the network to be wheelchair accessible.

Only 131 of 307 stations were wheelchair-accessible when you were Parliamentary Secretary for Transport.

The Government is committed to improving accessibility for customers at train stations and interchanges, which is why the Government announced a \$770 million commitment to the Transport Access Program. Announced upgrades to date will see improvements at over more than 38 stations, and there will be more announcements to come.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 18.** What is the budget for the North West Rail Link community information centre for the 2012-13 financial year?

**Answer:**

The NSW Government has allocated \$360 million in 2012-13 to development of the North West Rail Link. This allocation includes construction works, the preparation of environmental impact statements, property acquisitions, community consultation and the community information centre.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 19.** How many blackberries are assigned to your staff?

**Answer:**

In 2011/12, 179 phones were assigned to staff in the Premier's and Ministers' offices.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 20.** For each phone, how much was each bill in the 2011/12 financial year?

**Answer:**

The total expenditure on mobile phones by the Premier's office and Ministers' offices as represented in the Department's financial system is set out in the table below. Please note that this expenditure may include mobile phone purchase costs as the financial system does not separate the purchase costs and mobile usage charges.

	<b>2008-09</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>2011-12</b>
<b>Premier's Office</b>	\$103,152	\$76,457	\$68,475	\$27,570
<b>Ministers' Offices</b>	\$475,539	\$358,396	\$120,285	\$169,655
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$578,691	\$434,854	\$188,761	\$197,226

Note: 2010-11 figures are a combination of 9 months of Keneally Government and 3 months of O'Farrell Government.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 21.** How many have phones have been lost in your office?

**Answer:**

For Premier's office and Ministers' offices, the number of phones lost was:

	2011/12
<b>Premier</b>	1
<b>Ministers</b>	5
<b>Total</b>	6

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 22.** What is the cost of replacing those phones?

**Answer:**

The cost is the normal contract price and this cost is claimed through the NSW Treasury Managed Fund.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 23.** How many iPads does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?

**Answer:**

For Premier's office and Ministers' offices the number of iPads issued was as follows.

	<b>2011/12</b>
Premier	10
Ministers	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>53</b>

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 24.** How many iPads have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued

**Answer:**

I am advised:

iPads are supplied by the Department of Premier and Cabinet and have not been purchased by Ministers' offices.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 25.** How many iPhones does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?

**Answer:**

In 2011/12, 179 phones were assigned to the Premier's and Ministers' offices.

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PQ12/00565



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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 26.** How many iPhones have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?

**Answer:**

In 2011/12, 179 phones were assigned to the Premier's and Ministers' offices.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 27.** How many iPhones have been lost in your office.

**Answer:**

For Premier's office and Ministers' offices, the number of phones lost was:

	<b>2011/12</b>
Premier	1
Ministers	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 28.** How many iPads have been lost in your office?

**Answer:**

For Premier's office and Ministers' offices, the number of iPads lost or stolen was as follows.

	<b>2011/12</b>
Premier	1
Ministers	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**BE Sharpe 29.** What is the cost of replacing those phones or iPads?

**Answer:**

The cost is the normal contract price and this cost is claimed through the NSW Treasury Managed Fund.

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**Question:**

On 9 October, the Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC asked:

**Sharpe 30.** How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?

**Answer:**

The number of media staff is commensurate with agency requirements.

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PQ12/00556