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SCG funding versus community sport

1. In the Sydney Morning Herald 'New Era for Hallowed Ground' (7/8/13) it says that 'The state government will contribute **\$86 million** to upgrading the SCG, in Sydney's east, prompting criticism that ageing sports fields in western Sydney did not get the same treatment.'

What percentage of the Sport and Recreation budget is allocated to western Sydney as opposed to 'Sydney's east'?

2. In the Budget Statement the Minister states that that "...the Government remains committed to supporting grassroots sport and recreational organisations..." With this in mind, how much money goes directly to 'grassroots' sport as opposed to projects like the SCG upgrade?

Gaming machines funding

3. One of the main government-endorsed community grants available to community sporting groups – ClubsGrants NSW – is directly sourced from poker machines within those sporting groups' communities. In light of this:
 - a. What percentage of community-based sports clubs relied on funding from the *Gaming Machines Act 2001* in 2012/13?
 - b. What are the projections for 2013/14?
 - c. Are these trends going up or down?
 - d. Does the government consider it acceptable that community sports groups, who are often financially vulnerable and in poor communities, are reliant on gaming revenue to keep themselves afloat?
4. In the Budget press release, Minister Annesley states that the 'impact sport and recreational activity can have on people's lives goes well beyond the obvious health benefits'. What impacts do poker machine addiction have on people's lives, considering pokies and community sport funding are so inextricably linked in NSW?

AFL buying sports grounds

In recent years there have been several instances whereby the AFL, in partnership with local councils, has bought up local sporting ovals, thereby restricting access to other sports groups and general users. The most obvious example of this was Parramatta's Holroyd Oval in 2011.

5. Has this practice abated? If not, why not?
6. What is the government doing to ensure community sports groups have access to ovals and sportsgrounds?

Uniform grants program

The Victorian Government has recently renewed its highly popular Uniforms Grants Program – which provides grants of up to \$1000 to assist in the purchase of sports uniforms – for another three years. A direct grant of this nature does *not* exist in NSW.

7. Will the Government adopt a similar program in NSW?

Community sport

8. What proportion of the Sport and Recreation budget goes to elite sportspeople and their administrative bodies as opposed to small, community-based sports groups in NSW?
9. In reference to the 2013/14 budget allocating \$1.5 million to developing a network of ten regional academies of sport, what consultation was undertaken to determine this funding allocation?
 - a. How long will this funding continue?
10. NSW's main community sports grant - the Participation and Facility Program - requires no more than 50% of project expenditure may be used on each of the following items: clothing/uniforms and equipment. In light of the restrictive nature of this funding to community sports groups, will the Government commit to modifying this grant to better reflect the day-to-day needs of struggling sporting clubs?
11. Live Odds Betting during Sports Telecasts – Minister you made a number of public statements joining community concern about broadcasting live odds for betting during sports telecasts, particularly Rugby League telecasts. What have you actually done about stopping it?
12. The Community Sports Facilities Program has long been a very valuable way of small communities getting the facilities they need to promote grass roots participation, is it the case that this year sports grants have been cut from \$144,646 2012/2013 - \$48,000 – 2013/2014 (per electorate?) why have you cut this funding?
13. Stadia Plan - The Olympic Park concept is expected to cost \$240 million. Does the Government have the funding available for this in the forward estimates? Where will the funding come from?
14. Does the stadia plan also consider the upgrade of transport and rail facilities to Olympic Park?
15. Is it expected that sports such as 20/20 Cricket and AFL will continue to be held at ANZ stadium with the proposed plan to bring the seating closer to the field at both ends of the stadium?
16. If the concept design goes ahead, has the Government determined when the redevelopment is expected to be completed?
17. Does the Government have any plans to upgrade Campbelltown Stadium in the forward estimates?
18. Combat Sports - How many applications for a permit to promote a professional combat sport contest complied with the requirements of the Combat Sports Bill 2008 in that they were in or to the effect of the approved form in 2011/12?

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20. How many applications for a permit to promote an amateur combat sport contest complied with the requirements of the Combat Sports Bill 2008 in that they were in or to the effect of the approved form in 2011/12?
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22. On what date did the Department of Sport and Recreation make available on their website the forms for an application for a permit to promote a professional combat sport contest?
23. On what date did the Department of Sport and Recreation make available on their website the forms for an application for a permit to promote an amateur combat sport contest?

Miscellaneous

1. What is your relationship to Michael Photios?
2. How often do you speak with him?
3. Have you met with clients of *PremierState*?
4. On how many occasions and what dates did you meet with Michael Photios or representatives of *PremierState*?
5. What was discussed at these meetings?
6. On how many occasions have you declined to meet with Michael Photios or a client of *PremierState*?
7. Did you attend his wedding?
8. Did Michael Photios vote in your preselection?
9. Have you met with lobbyists other than *PremierState*?
10. On how many occasions have you met with a lobbyist, and what were the dates of these meetings?
11. Which lobbyists have you met with, and what was discussed?
12. On how many occasions have you declined to meet with a lobbyist?
13. To deliver greater transparency and accountability, will you publish a monthly online diary of all meetings with lobbyists?
14. In order to deliver greater transparency and accountability, as promised by the Premier, will you commit to keeping a record of all lobbying activities and documentation and allow them to be subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act?

15. Since becoming a Minister, have you taken any interstate or intrastate trips involving overnight accommodation or flights?
16. Will you provide a list to the committee of the details of all travel?
17. Have you taken any trips intrastate or interstate to attend Liberal/National Party functions? What are the details of the trips including dates and costs?
18. Have you taken any trips intrastate or interstate to attend lobbyists' functions? What are the details of the trips including dates and costs?
19. Were these trips paid for by the taxpayer?
20. Were these trips booked through the government travel management system?
21. Since becoming a Minister, have you paid back money to the state because you booked unauthorised travel with the government travel management system? How much? When did you travel? When did you pay back the money? How many occasions has this happened?
22. Have you had meetings scheduled interstate or intrastate on Fridays or weekends which involved you staying overnight?
23. Did you take your spouse/partner on these trips?
24. Have any members of your staff made complaints to or raised concerns with you, your Chief of Staff or the Department of Premier and Cabinet about bullying in your office?
25. If so, have any members of your staff resigned or been removed from their position after making such a complaint or raising such concerns?
26. How many blackberries or smart phones are assigned to your staff?
27. For each phone, how much was each bill in the 2012/13 financial year?
28. How many have phones have been lost in your office?
29. What is the cost of replacing those phones?
30. How many iPads or tablet computers does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
31. How many iPads or tablet computers have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
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34. How many iPhones or smart phones have been lost in your office?
35. How many iPads or tablet computers have been lost in your office?
36. What is the cost of replacing those phones or tablets?
37. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?
38. What is the forecast for 2013/14 for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
39. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money? If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
40. What is the annual remuneration package for your chief of staff?
41. What is the annual remuneration package for your head media advisor?
42. What is the annual remuneration package for each of your staff?
43. What is the estimated expenditure for your office budget in 2012-13?
44. Have any office renovations or fit outs been undertaken in your ministerial office since April, 2011? If so, could you give details of contracted costs?
45. What is your Ministerial office budget for 2013/14?
46. How many political advisors are in your office?
47. How many administration staff?
48. How many Department Liaison Officers are assigned to your office?
49. How many staff in the Department are assigned to Ministerial support duties?
50. Are any contractors or consultants working in your ministerial office? If so, in what capacities?
51. How much did your Ministerial office spend on contractors or consultants?
52. How much did your Ministerial office spend on taxi fares, including Cabcharge in the 2012/13 financial year?
53. Are any of your portfolio agencies undergoing a restructure?
54. How many jobs are expected to be cut as a result of that restructure?
55. How many people are expected to have their wages cut as a result of that restructure?
56. How many voluntary redundancies were offered in your Departments since April 2011?

57. How many voluntary redundancies were accepted from employees in your Departments since April 2011?
58. How many voluntary redundancies are expected to be offered in 2013/14?
59. How much did your Department spend on catering in 2012/13?
60. How much did your Department spend on stationary in 2012/13?
61. What is your Department's catering budget?
62. What is your Department's stationary budget?
63. Since April 2011 have any of the agencies in your Department changed their branding? If so, how much was spent on rebranding the agency?
64. How long is the average turnaround for responding to correspondence in your Department(s)?
65. How many pieces of correspondence have been outstanding for more than 60 days?
66. In 2012/13 how many invoices has your Department(s) failed to pay a supplier or contractor for more than 30 days?
67. As a result of late payment, how much penalty interest has been paid to contractors since 1 January 2011?
68. How many invoices have been outstanding for longer than 60 days?
69. Does your department provide recurrent grant funds to non-government organisations? If yes,
 - a. What are the names of all organisations in receipt of funding?
 - b. What is the total amount of funding received by each organisation including goods and services tax?
 - c. On what date was the funding advanced?
 - d. What was the purpose for each grant or funding advance?
 - e. Was any funding withheld or returned?
 - f. If so, what were the reasons for withholding or requiring the funding to be returned?
 - g. What is the indexation rate applied to non-recurrent grant funds in 2013/2013?
 - h. What are the details of any costs involved in each study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - i. Have any provisions been included in grant agreements to prohibit these organisations from criticising the Government or any of its policies?
70. How many contractors has your Department(s) retained since 1 July 2013 and at what cost?
71. What is the current level of Aboriginal employment within your Department(s)?
72. How has that changed since 1 July 2012?
73. Since 1 July 2011, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your Department(s)?

74. In relation to feasibility studies, audits, taskforces and reviews is your department currently undertaking any feasibility studies, audits, taskforces or reviews? If so, then;
- a. What are the terms of reference or details of each study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - b. Who is conducting the study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - c. Was each study, audit, taskforce or review was publically advertised seeking expression of interest or competitive tenders?
 - d. Is there a contract in place detailing terms of engagement for the study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - e. What is the timeline of each study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - f. What are the details of any costs involved in each study, audit, taskforce or review?
75. Has the Minister been provided with Speech, Voice or Media Training since becoming Minister? If so, then;
- a. Who conducted the training?
 - b. When was it conducted?
 - c. Where was it conducted what were the costs of the training?
 - d. Who paid for the training?