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Transport

1. The last Sydney Cycling Survey was undertaken in 2010 and results released in 2011.
 - a. Are there plans to update this information and conduct a similar survey in the near future?
2. What was the expenditure on the Wheelchair Accessible Taxi Driver Bonus Incentive Scheme for each of the past six years since it was introduced?
 - a. Please provide the comparison between the booking response times of regular taxis and WATs to confirm if the taxi response times for radio bookings is compliant with the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport (DSAPT) milestone which requires equivalent booking response times.
3. What is the current Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme subsidy?
 - a. When was it last increased?
 - b. Are there any plans to increase the level of the Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme?
4. Was the scope of the Transport Customer Survey widened (as stated) in 2012 to include taxis, outer metropolitan buses, CountryLink trains, Newcastle ferries, and private ferries?
 - a. If yes, when will the data be released?
 - b. If no, when does the department intend to conduct these surveys?
5. In the Transport budget estimates hearing on 19 August 2013, the Minister said that the use of tilt trains between Sydney and the Hunter is not currently on the government's agenda, though that the government is looking at other options to improve the journey (Uncorrected proof, p 37). What are these other options?
6. Recently, Transport for NSW restricted concession pass holders, including students, young people and pensioners from purchasing tickets from ticket machines at some train stations during large periods of the day. Why was this decision made?
 - a. In light of this, have any additional resources been allocated to increase the number of staff operating ticket windows?
 - b. What measures have Transport for NSW put in place to review whether this change has been effective at reducing fare evasion and whether it has significantly disadvantaged concession pass holders?
7. Plans put forward by UrbanGrowth NSW for the Central to Eveleigh Revitalisation would apparently demolish the Macdonaldtown Stabling Yards, in favour of new building development, and affect noted heritage sites throughout the corridor. What is the proposed solution for replacing the Macdonaldtown rail facility if the revitalisation goes ahead?

8. What is the NSW government doing to listen to and address local residents' concerns about the introduction of the Moorebank intermodal terminal?
9. What is the NSW government doing to listen to and address local residents' concerns about the construction of the Epping to Thornleigh Third Track?
 - a. What measures have the government put in place to mitigate the loss of the natural environment and fauna around the site?
10. In the estimates hearing, the Minister was repeatedly asked about what evidence was relied on in the decision to switch to light rail in Newcastle. The Minister could not cite any evidence or expert advice. Could the Minister outline the process that was reached to lead to this decision?
11. Currently rural and regional schools in NSW are disadvantaged by the high cost and limited availability of appropriate buses with seatbelts for school excursions. What is the government doing to help provide safe and affordable educational opportunities for students on routes that are unable to avoid some of the most dangerous roads in our state?

Trains

1. Given global attempts to reduce carbon emissions, why do people have to buy two tickets when they take a bike on public transport?
2. Why is the Tangara seat trial not being trialled on the Illawarra line?
3. Does the Government plan to roll-out wifi on our trains? What is the anticipated timeframe for this roll out? What is the cost of this roll-out? If you do not plan to roll-out wifi, why not?
4. What was the cause of the major service interruptions on the North Shore line earlier this year regarding overhead wiring problems? Was it sabotage?
5. When will weekend track work end, with all track work being done at night time?
6. When will the infrastructure across the whole network be improved to avoid frequent delays on any given line?
7. When will major events be taken into consideration when planning trackwork?
8. Given the *Draft Transport Masterplan* outlines that two of the most congested roads in Sydney are in the Northern Beaches, what plans are there for train stations between the four areas, Pittwater, Wakehurst, Manly and Mosman?
9. How many S sets remain in service? When will the last S set be retired?
10. Does the Minister still believe that RailCorp / Sydney Trains / NSW Train Link employees are bludgers?
11. What should passengers do if they see graffiti on trains or even see it occurring in front of them?

12. How securely parked are trains, given that commuters report that a new A set under test was recently sprayed with graffiti before it commenced service?
13. When will the Government reissue pamphlets to commuters about quiet carriages?
14. What action is the Government taking to ensure that all commuters abide by the requirements of quiet carriages?
15. Why have no fines been issued to people who smoke cigarettes on public transport?
16. Why are guards on some trains recommending that commuters call 000 to report smoking on public transport?
17. Are people allowed to smoke e-cigarettes on public transport?
18. Will the new timetable include more express services that stop at Turella?
19. Will the Central Coast express services promised by your Government be delivered, as promised? Will these services stop at Macquarie University?
20. When will public consultation of the new Sydney Trains/NSW Trainlink timetables begin prior to the start of new operations in October?
21. Will there be any changes to the weekend timetable?
22. Does the draft timetable for the Airport and East Hills line utilise the full potential of the recently commissioned K2RQ (Kingsrove to Revesby Quadruplication) tracks, based on current passenger demand AND requirements?
23. Given that the Macarthur Turnback Platform has been deferred, what is the timeframe for its future construction?
24. What plans does the Government have to upgrade credit card ticket machines at stations?
25. Why must commuters pay for two tickets to travel by bus from Camperdown to Pyrmont (on 2 buses)?
26. Why doesn't Sydney have '2 hour tickets' or zoning like Melbourne?
27. In relation to buses, what is a 'section'?
28. Will further Metrobus style routes be introduced on major cross regional corridors? If so, where?
29. Services provided by Punchbowl Bus Companies finish quite early in the evening. Will the Government extend these services to later in the evening?
30. Why did Hillsbus drop its real time information just days after it was added to transport apps?

31. Does the Government have any plans to reduce the number of stops on Northern Beaches bus routes to make for faster services?
32. In relation to freight noise / train line noise on the Northern Sydney Freight Corridor, when in Opposition, the Minister stated “I cannot believe that the quality of life of residents was not even considered” in relation to freight noise for residents along the Epping to Chatswood rail line.
 - a. What plans does the government have to introduce noise regulations for freight noise along the Northern Sydney Freight Corridor?
 - b. How does the Minister assess “quality of life of residents” along the Northern Sydney Freight Corridor?
33. What action is the government taking to mitigate noise during construction of the Epping to Thornleigh Third Track?
34. How does the Minister assess “quality of life of residents” during construction of the Epping to Thornleigh Third Track?
35. What is preventing a Second Harbour Rail Crossing from going over the Harbour rather than under the Harbour?
36. What plans does the Government have to expand the bus rapid transit road network similar to the Brisbane Busway system which runs from the city to the suburbs?
37. What plans does the Government have run buses underground in the City as part of the expansion of the network, similar to connections made in Brisbane between Queen Street Busway Station and King Georges Square Busway Station?
38. Given that the fare between Marrickville to the City (calculated via Sydenham on the Bankstown Line at 9.79km in distance) and Newtown to the City (calculated via Redfern on the Inner West Line at 6.33km in distance) both fall within the MyTrain1 price, why would commuters be advised to purchase a MyTrain2 ticket for a journey from Marrickville to the city returning to Newtown?
39. Will the Government consider converting the staff room on the Richmond line concourse at Blacktown Station into a ticket office to save customers (especially the elderly/disabled & less abled) from walking all the way over to the main concourse to get their tickets and then walking back?
40. Why has only one lift at Blacktown Station (leading to the Boys Ave car park) been replaced when other lifts are often out of service due to malfunction?
41. What is the timeframe for the replacement of the other lifts at Blacktown Station?
42. What is the timeframe for the replacement of all lifts at St Marys Station?
43. What action are TfNSW, NSW TrainLink and Sydney Trains taking to educate all commuters about the rights of people with a disability or mobility issues traveling on our train services, particularly in relation to reserved seating?

44. Given that trains on the NWRL will be driverless, what assistance will be available for commuters with a disability or mobility issues who need assistance boarding trains?
45. What action is the Government taking to ensure the safety of commuters with a disability or mobility issues who have to interchange at Chatswood from the NWRL?
46. Given CityRail/Sydney Trains own figures show that services from Chatswood are already crowded, what action is the Government taking to ensure commuters with a disability or mobility issues will be able to board crowded services?
47. Why are no modifications being made to V set trains to make them accessible to people in wheelchairs?
48. What consideration has the Government given to the serious concerns of commuters about the impact of cuts to station staffing and security staff will have for people with a disability and older people?
49. What action is Transport for NSW taking to work with local councils to ensure that interchanges that include bus stops owned and managed by local councils support accessible transport?
50. Why must CountryLink / NSW Train Link buses in some rural and regional areas be booked 24 hours in advance by people in a wheelchair? How does this meet Disability Standards requirements for equitable service provision?
51. In Ipswich, some bus stands also provide information about services via an audio loop for people with visual impairment. Will TfNSW explore trials of this technology where existing infrastructure supports it?
52. For people with an intellectual disability, disruptions to services can be very confusing. What action is the Government taking to ensure that information is provided in a clear way and with staff to assist?
53. What training is available for taxi drivers for the use of wheel chair restraints?
54. Why aren't wheelchair accessible taxis preset up for wheelchairs so that people who do not need the restraints could pay for them to be removed rather than people in wheelchairs waiting and paying for this each time they use a taxi?
55. What action is the Government taking to educate transport staff – including taxi drivers, station staff and guards, bus drivers and transport information providers – about people with disabilities?
56. What will this training involve? When will this training commence?
57. Will the training include staff experiencing travel as a person with a disability, for example in a wheelchair?

58. Would STA accept help from a volunteer to train bus drivers so they get a real understanding of what it's like to travel on buses in a wheelchair?
59. The emergency buttons on the Waratah Trains have been placed at a height that not all people can reach:
 - a. What security measures are available for people who may not have the full use of their arms?
 - b. Why when asked about this, would TfNSW advise a commuter that “other people with a disability” could use these buttons?
60. In regard to cultural change within transport agencies, what action is the Government taking to integrate accessibility planning into TfNSW rather than a separate structure?
61. Will the Government make accessibility outcomes a responsibility of executives in all transport agencies? Will the Government make accountability to accessibility outcomes part of the contracts of senior management?
62. Given the Minister's announcement on Thursday 15 September 2013 that a tender had been issued for a design for lift access to a platform yet to be determined at Redfern Station, why has no tender been listed on the NSW E-Tendering website?
63. What is the anticipated timeframe for start and completion of this work?
64. Has Artarmon Railway Station been given priority for an accessibility upgrade?
65. If so, when will the upgrade occur? If not, when will Artarmon Station be upgraded so as to allow access for the elderly, disabled, or parents with prams?
66. Has consideration been given to a pedestrian tunnel at the southern end of the platform at Artarmon Station, and building a ramp from that tunnel up onto the platform, as has been suggested by a concerned resident?
67. Have you, your office, Transport for NSW or any agencies or divisions within Transport for NSW received any advice from any source that the North West Rail Line (NWRL) tunnels could be bored for the same cost at diameters that could accommodate double deck trains in the future?
68. Why have the grades specified on the NWRL increased (from 3.5% to 4.1% up to 4.5%)? Will this make the grades too steep for double deck trains?
69. Will every train operated on the NWRL be an eight car train?
70. The Project Scope in November 2011 stated that the Benefit Cost Ratio of the NWRL in November 11 was estimated to be 0.9 – 1.15 using standard comparative values and 1.31 – 1.69 using appropriate long term values. At that stage it was still envisaged as an integrated line with direct access to the CBD. Given the change of plans and significant change to the type of project - can you inform the committee of what is the BCR for the NWRL now?

71. Given that the Premier announced the final costs of this project on 16 June this year, will the Final Project Scope publically available? If not, why not?
72. Given that the Project Scope also indicated that there would be considerations of future extensions of the NWRL to the Richmond or main Western Line and the need for future corridor protection will single deck tunnels mean that these plans will not be able to be achieved? How is the Government ensuring corridor protection in this scenario?
73. Will this also mean that the NWRL will not be able to be integrated with the Richmond line at Schofields?
74. In November 2011 there is mention of the final business case – also mentioned in the submission to IA. Is the final business case completed? Will you release it to the committee?
75. Do you believe that commuters in Cabramatta, Hurstville and Bankstown and others realise that your government plans to make their commute one based on a model of the majority of passengers standing rather than sitting?
76. What modelling has been done to look at the costs of maintenance and stabling of different trains?
77. Why was the long distance M2 busway identified as a key mass transit route within the Sydney strategic transit network downgraded to an intermediate transit route in in the final Transport Masterplan?
78. When the Epping to Chatswood line opened in 2009 it gave Northern Sydney another direct line to the city without changing trains. Why is the Government changing the timetable so commuters north of Epping have to catch three difference trains to the city via north shore (changing at Epping & Chatswood) or catching two difference trains to the city via the inner west (changing at Strathfield or Central)?
79. Why is the NWRL not being built to integrate with the present rail system?
80. How much extra would it cost now to build the NWRL tunnels to the NSW standard structure gauge?
81. Given that Minister has stated that the NWRL will terminate at Chatswood where passengers will change to Sydney Trains, the stations currently running Double Deck trains between Epping and Chatswood will require major work to their platforms, signalling etc.
 - a. Has the cost of all this major work been included in the project? What are these costs?
 - b. Will the Epping-Chatswood line close during this work?
 - c. What is the timeframe for this work?
 - d. What plans are there to accommodate the thousands of commuters who use the Epping-Chatswood line each day during this work?
82. How much extra will it cost for the custom rolling stock for the NWRL "Rapid Transit" to fit its specification compared to similar European products?

83. What is the theoretical Heavy Rail capacity of the Sydney Harbour Bridge? What is the theoretical capacity of the proposed Chatswood interchange?
84. Why is the Government going to lay to waste so much infrastructure to accommodate single deck trains, including dismantling of the rail cross overs between Redfern and Central?
85. Minister, in relation to patronage on the NWRL, do the figures for capacity of single deck trains that you and your department have extensively quoted as 1300 passengers per 8 car train reply on 4 people standing being crushed into just one square metre?
86. Can you provide the committee the anticipated costs of fare subsidies to the NWRL based on patronage modelling? Previously, Treasury has suggested that these subsidies will be the equivalent of \$80 per trip based on the anticipated 9 million new passengers – can you provide the Committee with updated figures on this issue?
87. Can you provide the risk analysis of the cost to taxpayers of the patronage forecasts for the North West Rail Link?
88. Given that Transport for NSW states that the Waratahs can run at up to 20 trains per hour - the equivalent to 24000 passengers per hour, why are you building a private rail line with trains that won't integrate into the rest of the Sydney rail system and tunnels that mean it will never be able to be integrated -when based on your own patronage forecasts – double deck trains could do the job if the line was built to integrate with them?
89. What is the total cost to date across all areas of TFNSW of the rebranding of Transport for NSW?
90. What were the total costs for artwork, printing, launches, contractors in relation to the rebranding of Transport for NSW?
91. What was the total cost of new uniforms is for Sydney Trains and NSW Trains staff?
92. What is the replacement budget for uniform disposal costs? What time period does that cover? Is this allocation currently meeting budget projections?
93. How are comments from staff about the new uniforms recorded?
94. There have been complaints about the new uniforms in relation to hats, coats, and gloves, and of staff developing rashes. What action has been taken to address these concerns?
95. What was the cost of changes to the Online ticketing system?
96. Have you or your department had any discussions with Tennis Australia about the remarkable similarity between their logo and the new NSW transport brands?
97. In respect of the *Wayfinding project pilot*, was \$4.5million approved to fund the pilot program in April last year?

98. Has a further \$5 million now been approved in 2013/14 financial year?
99. How many stations will be completed with this funding?
100. Were Milson's Point, Circular Quay, Bondi Junction and Martin Place the testing sites for the project?
101. Was Springwood also included in the test sites?
102. Was Bondi Junction deferred? Why?
103. Was the \$4.5 million funding also to include the complete roll out of new signage on all of the ferry wharves? Has this been completed?
104. Will the new signage on the Inner West Light Rail Extension be included in the current works or will it be retrofitted? What is the cost of this work? How much money has been allocated to this work?
105. What is the estimate for the complete renewal of the Sydney CBD, metro, outer metro, rural and regional sites across rail, ferries, buses and light rail?
106. What is the timeframe for completion?
107. Have all other signage programs in Railcorp, STA and Sydney Ferries been suspended while this work is undertaken?
108. Will paper tickets remain after the full roll out of Opal?
109. Will paper periodical tickets remain after the roll out of Opal?
110. Is the Opal Card trial open to concession and student pass holders? If not, why not?
111. Will commuters on the Western Line, who change at Blacktown for city express or Blue Mountains services, be required to tap off at one end at Blacktown Station and then tap on again at the other end of Blacktown Station to continue on their journey? Will these commuters be charged for two journeys under Opal?
112. Will concession and student fares rise under Opal?
113. Will Opal readers be installed on both sides of the Richmond Line platform at Blacktown Station?
114. Will the Opal trial include fare integration for multi-modal journeys, or will it be limited to single mode journeys?
115. For how long will credits on an Opal card be valid?

116. In respect to security, has the number (EFT) of contract security guards been increased at Central Station? What was the cost of contract security guards at Central Station in 11/12, 12/13 and the allocation for this financial year?
117. Can your Government guarantee that Guardian Services will remain under the new timetable?
118. Can you confirm that Guardian Services will be physically patrolled by the Police Transport Command?
119. What arrangements were put in place for extra ferry services during the Vivid Light festival?
120. How many complaints were received by Harbour City Ferries which directly related to the provisions of services during the Vivid Light festival?
121. What funding was made available from Transport for NSW to facilitate the extra services and staff that were required to accommodate the increase in passengers during the Vivid Light festival?
122. What arrangements have been made by Transport for NSW under the Sydney Ferries contract to ensure that Harbour City Ferries have enough resources (both with respect to services and staff) to accommodate large numbers of passengers during future major events such as the October International Fleet Naval Review and the 2013/14 Summer Runnings period?
123. What is the current situation in relation to the acquisition of new ferries for the Sydney Ferries contract?
124. Will the ferries be built in Australian built or foreign built?
125. Beyond the six ferries already committed to, what arrangements are being made to see the entire fleet replaced, noting the aging status of the vessels?
126. Relating to the increase in customer complaints relating to ferries, what are the major themes /issues identified in these complaints?
127. What action is the Government taking to reduce the complaints?
128. What is the cause to the increase in service cancellations? (158 to 236)
129. Currently, the schedule for the Palm Beach - Ettalong – Wagstaffe ferry service is Palm Beach - Wagstaffe - Ettalong - Palm Beach – Wagstaffe. Does the Government plan to introduce a direct service from Ettalong to Wagstaffe? If not, why not?

Regional transport

1. What action is the Government taking to improve car parking at Bomaderry Station for Eurobodalla residents traveling to Sydney to access services?

2. What is the Government doing to ensure local service providers (including Medicare locals, GPs, Centrelink) in the Eurobodalla have access to information about public transport for their clients?
3. What is the Government doing to ensure local service providers (including Medicare locals, GPs, Centrelink) in the Shoalhaven have access to information about public transport for their clients?
4. What action is the Government taking to reduce the length of bus routes and improve frequency of bus services in the Batemans Bay area?
5. What action is the Government taking to reduce the length of bus routes and improve frequency of bus services in the Shellharbour area?
6. What action is the Government taking to improve weekend bus services in the Batemans Bay area?
7. Why did the Government cut the taxi voucher program for young people in the Eurobodalla?
8. What targeted programs is the Government investing in to improve access to public transport for young people in the Eurobodalla in the 2013-14 budget?
9. What action is the Government taking to support the development of localised transport apps for rural and regional communities?
10. What grants, programs or other funding is available to developers outside of Sydney to develop apps for rural and regional communities?
11. What is the allocation to upgrade footpaths to improve transport accessibility in regional communities in 2013-14?
12. How much has been allocated to upgrade footpaths in Bega in 2013-14?
13. How much has been allocated to upgrade footpaths in Batemans Bay in 2013-14?
14. How much has been allocated to upgrade footpaths in Shellharbour in 2013-14?
15. How much has been allocated to upgrade footpaths in Bomaderry in 2013-14?
16. How much has been allocated to upgrade footpaths in Nowra in 2013-14?
17. What action is the Government taking to improve bus connections to Canberra for people traveling from Bega or Batemans Bay to access services?
18. The Victorian Government funds bus service to Batemans Bay that links to regional rail. Would you consider implementing a similar CountryLink/NSW Trains Link service?
19. What action is the Government taking to improve bike paths in rural and regional communities?

20. What is the allocation to bike paths in regional communities in 2013-14?
21. How much has been allocated to bike paths in Bega in 2013-14?
22. How much has been allocated to bike paths in Batemans Bay in 2013-14?
23. How much has been allocated to bike paths in Shellharbour in 2013-14?
24. How much has been allocated to bike paths in Bomaderry in 2013-14?
25. How much has been allocated to bike paths in Nowra in 2013-14?
26. Given the success of the Wollongong free shuttle bus, will the Government replicate this service in Shellharbour? If not, why not?
27. Why was there no community consultation about the decision to change the name of the train station formerly known as Flinders Station, to Shell Cove?
28. Given that people who live in rural and regional communities do not have the same access to public transport as their city counterparts, will the Government increase the Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme for people who live in rural and regional communities?
29. What action is the Government taking to improve access to community transport in Shellharbour given that a recent amalgamation has led to the loss of volunteer drivers, and no weekend services?
30. Given your Government's commitment to removing red tape, what is being done to remove the requirement that bans community transport providers from picking up passengers at nursing homes?
31. What action is the Government taking to improve public transport access to health services, especially specialists in Wollongong, from Shellharbour?
32. What action is the Government taking to provide luggage racks on trains on the South Coast Line?
33. Given that commuters report that the change of arrival platform for trains from the South Coast now arrive on at Central Station has made interchanges for people using the South Coast line difficult, especially older people and those with lots of luggage, what action is the Government taking to improve accessibility for these commuters?
34. What action is the Government taking to improve travel times by train to Sydney from Shellharbour?
35. What action is the Government taking to better integrate Shellharbour bus services with the South Coast Line?

36. What action is the Government taking to improve pedestrian access to Oak Flats station, particularly for students from Corpus Christi School?
37. Will the Government build a pedestrian footbridge to improve access to Oak Flats station? If so, when will the project commence?
38. When will the Government begin consultation with the Illawarra community on a local regional transport plan? What is the timeframe for the plan to be released?
39. What action is the Government taking to improve public transport for young people in the Bega area?
40. Will the Government make public transport available in Bega on weekends, particularly to and from health services?
41. What action is the Government taking to improve coordination between taxis and bus companies and community transport providers in Bega?
42. Does the Government have any plans to introduce a weekly bus service from Eden to Bega?
43. What action is the Government taking to improve transport between the towns and villages on the South Coast to support tourism?
44. When will the South Coast Line be fully electrified between Sydney and Bomaderry?
45. What plans does the Government have for the extension of the rail line down into Nowra, South Nowra and beyond?
46. Given that commuters have expressed concern about the lack of staff at Kiama (particularly older people with luggage, people with disabilities and parents with prams), will the Government increase staffing at Kiama in response to these concerns?
47. What discussions has your Department had in relation to on-time-running and the work of the Manildra factory in Nowra?
48. What action is your Government taking to improve security on the South Coast Line while the Police transport Command is not at operational capacity?
49. What action is your Government taking to improve integration between local bus services in Nowra and train services?
50. Of the \$12 million promised for Community Transport across NSW, why has the Shoalhaven only received \$2000?
51. What action is the Government taking to improve access to bus services on Sundays and Public Holidays in the Shoalhaven?

52. Why are bus fares in the country more expensive than those in the city?

General

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. What is the allocation to your ministerial discretionary fund for 2013-14?
11. What was the allocation to your ministerial discretionary fund for 2012-13?
12. Why doesn't the Minister have a Twitter account?
13. On how many occasions have you met with a lobbyist, and what were the dates of these meetings?
14. Which lobbyists have you met with, and what was discussed?
15. On how many occasions have you declined to meet with a lobbyist?
16. To deliver greater transparency and accountability, will you publish a monthly online diary of all meetings with lobbyists?
17. 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?
18. Since becoming a Minister, have you taken any interstate or intrastate trips involving overnight accommodation or flights?
19. Will you provide a list to the committee of the details of all travel?

20. 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?
21. Have you taken any trips intrastate or interstate to attend lobbyists' functions? What are the details of the trips including dates and costs?
22. Were these trips paid for by the taxpayer?
23. Were these trips booked through the government travel management system?
24. 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?
25. Have you had meetings scheduled interstate or intrastate on Fridays or weekends which involved you staying overnight?
26. Did you take your spouse/partner on these trips?
27. 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?
28. If so, have any members of your staff resigned or been removed from their position after making such a complaint or raising such concerns?
29. How many blackberries or smart phones are assigned to your staff?
30. For each phone, how much was each bill in the 2012/13 financial year?
31. How many have phones have been lost in your office?
32. What is the cost of replacing those phones?
33. How many iPads or tablet computers does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
34. How many iPads or tablet computers have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
35. How many iPhones or other smart phones does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
36. How many iPhones or other smart phones have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
37. How many iPhones or other smart phones have been lost in your office?
38. How many iPads or tablet computers have been lost in your office?

39. What is the cost of replacing those phones or iPads or tablet computers?
40. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?
41. What is the forecast for 2013/14 for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
42. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
43. If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
44. What is the annual remuneration package for your chief of staff
45. What is the annual remuneration package for your head media advisor?
46. What is the annual remuneration package for each of your staff?
47. What is the estimated expenditure for your office budget in 2012-13?
48. Have any office renovations or fit outs been undertaken in your ministerial office since April, 2011?
49. If so, could you give details of contracted costs?
50. What is your Ministerial office budget for 2013/14?
51. How many staff are allocated to your Ministerial Office?
52. How many Departmental Liaison Officers are allocated to your Ministerial Office?
53. How many political advisors are in your office?
54. How many administration staff?
55. How many staff in the Department are assigned to Ministerial support duties
56. Are any contractors or consultants working in your ministerial office?
57. If so, in what capacities?
58. How much did your Ministerial office spend on contractors or consultants?
59. How much did your Ministerial office spend on taxi fares, including Cabcharge in the 2012/13 financial year?
60. Are any of your portfolio agencies undergoing a restructure?

61. How many jobs are expected to be cut as a result of that restructure?
62. How many people are expected to have their wages cut as a result of that restructure?
63. How many voluntary redundancies were offered in your Departments since April 2011?
64. How many voluntary redundancies were accepted from employees in your Departments since April 2011?
65. How many voluntary redundancies are expected to be offered in 2013/14?
66. How much did your Department(s) spend on catering in 2012/13?
67. How much did your Department(s) spend on stationary in 2012/13?
68. What is your Department's catering budget?
69. What is your Department's stationary budget?
70. Since April 2011 have any of the agencies in your Department(s) changed their branding?
71. If so, how much was spent on rebranding the agency?
72. How long is the average turnaround for responding to correspondence in your Department(s)?
73. How many pieces of correspondence have been outstanding for more than 60 days?
74. In 2012/13 how many invoices has your Department(s) failed to pay a supplier or contractor for more than 30 days?
75. As a result of late payment, how much penalty interest has been paid to contractors since 1 January 2011?
76. How many invoices have been outstanding for longer than 60 days?
77. 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?
78. How many contractors has your Department(s) retained since 1 July 2013 and at what cost?

79. What is the current level of Aboriginal employment within your Department(s)?
80. How has that changed since 1 July 2012?
81. Since 1 July 2011, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your Department(s)?
82. 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?
83. Can you please list all travel related costs for your Parliamentary Secretaries incurred in their capacity as Parliamentary Secretary since 1 July 2012
 - a. kilometres travelled
 - b. accommodation,
 - c. air fares
 - d. meals/entertaining?
84. Can you please provide details of the following activities undertaken by your Parliamentary Secretaries since 1 July 2012;
 - a. meetings attended in their capacity as Parliamentary Secretary?
 - b. functions attended in their capacity as Parliamentary Secretary?
85. How often do you meet with your Parliamentary Secretaries?
 - a. Are these meetings documented?
 - b. Who attends these meetings?
86. Who provides instructions and direction to your Parliamentary Secretaries, you or your Chief of Staff?
87. Have the Parliamentary Secretaries been provided with Speech, Voice or Media Training since becoming Parliamentary Secretary? 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?