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Terms of Reference

1. That upon tabling, the Budget Estimates and related papers for the financial year 2009-2010 presenting the amounts to be appropriated from the Consolidated Fund be referred to the General Purpose Standing Committees for inquiry and report.
2. That the committees consider the Budget Estimates in accordance with the allocation of portfolios to the committees.
3. That the initial hearings be scheduled as follows:

Day One: Monday 14 September 2009

GPSC 1	Roads	9.15 am - 11.15 am
GPSC 2	Health, Central Coast	9.15 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 1	Ports and Waterways	11.30 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 1	Finance, Infrastructure, Regulatory Reform	2.00 pm - 5.00 pm
GPSC 2	Ageing, Disability Services	2.00 pm - 4.30 pm
GPSC 2	Aboriginal Affairs	4.45 pm - 6.00 pm
GPSC 1	The Legislature	5.15 pm - 6.00 pm

Day Two: Tuesday 15 September 2009

GPSC 1	Treasury	9.15 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 3	Local Government	9.15 am - 11.45 am
GPSC 3	Mental Health	12.00 pm - 1.00 pm
GPSC 1	Premier	2.00 pm - 5.00 pm
GPSC 3	Attorney General, Industrial Relations	2.00 pm - 3.45 pm
GPSC 3	Corrective Service, Public Sector Reform and Special Minister of State	4.00 pm - 6.00 pm
GPSC 1	Arts	5.15 pm - 6.00 pm

Day Three: Wednesday 16 September 2009

GPSC 2	Education and Training, Women	9.15 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 4	Fair Trading, Citizenship	9.15 am - 11.00 pm
GPSC 4	Emergency Services, Small Business	11.15 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 2	Education and Training, Women (continued)	2.00 pm - 2.45 pm
GPSC 4	Planning, Redfern Waterloo	2.00 pm - 6.00 pm
GPSC 2	Community Services	3.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Day Four: Thursday 17 September 2009

GPSC 4	Transport, Illawarra	9.15 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 5	Primary Industries, Mineral Resources	9.15 am - 11.45 am
GPSC 5	Commerce	12.00 pm - 1.00 pm
GPSC 4	Science & Medical Research, Health (Cancer)	2.00 pm - 3.45 pm
GPSC 5	Climate Change and the Environment	2.00 pm - 6.00 pm
GPSC 4	Tourism, Hunter	4.00 pm - 6.00 pm

Day Five: Friday 18 September 2009

GPSC 3	Lands, Rural Affairs	9.15 am - 10.15 am
GPSC 5	Energy	9.15 am - 11.30 am
GPSC 3	Police	10.30 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 5	State Development	11.45 am - 1.00 pm
GPSC 3	Gaming and Racing, Sport and Recreation	2.00 pm - 4.00 pm
GPSC 5	Water, Regional Development	2.00 pm - 4.15 pm
GPSC 3	Juvenile Justice, Volunteering, Youth, Veteran's Affairs	4.15 pm - 6.00 pm
GPSC 5	Housing, Western Sydney	4.30 pm - 6.00 pm

4. That an initial round of supplementary hearings be scheduled as follows:

Day One: 16 November 2009

GPSC 1
GPSC 2

Day Two: 17 November 2009

GPSC 1
GPSC 3

Day Three: 18 November 2009

GPSC 4
GPSC 2

Day Four: 19 November 2009

GPSC 4
GPSC 5

Day Five: 20 November 2009

GPSC 5
GPSC 3

5. That the committees may hold additional supplementary hearings after 20 November 2009 as required.
6. That each scheduled day for the initial round of hearings will begin at 9:15 am and conclude by 6:00 pm.
7. The committees must hear evidence in public.
8. The committees may ask for explanations from Ministers in the House, or officers of departments, statutory bodies or corporations, relating to the items of proposed expenditure.
9. There is no provision under this resolution for a Minister to make an opening statement before the committee commences questioning
10. A daily Hansard record is to be published as soon as practicable after each day's proceedings.
11. The committees are to present a final report to the House by the last sitting day of the first sitting week in March 2010.
12. Members may lodge questions on notice with the Clerk to the committee during a Budget Estimates hearing and up to two days following.
13. All answers to questions taken on notice during the hearing, and questions on notice lodged up to two days following the hearing, must be provided within 21 days, or as otherwise determined by the committee.

The terms of reference were referred to the Committee by the House on 27 November 2008, see *LC Minutes* (27/11/2008) 928-929, amended by *LC Minutes* (23/06/2009) 1253-1255

Committee membership

The Hon Jenny Gardiner MLC	The Nationals	<i>Chair</i>
The Hon Lynda Voltz MLC	Australian Labor Party	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Ms Sylvia Hale MLC	The Greens	
The Hon Roy Smith MLC	Shooters Party	
The Hon David Clarke MLC	Liberal Party	
The Hon Kayee Griffin MLC	Australian Labor Party	
The Hon Henry Tsang MLC	Australian Labor Party	

Non-substantive members who attended the hearings

The Hon Penny Sharpe MLC	Australian Labor Party
The Hon Eddie Obeid MLC	Australian Labor Party
The Hon Greg Pearce MLC	Liberal Party
The Hon Don Harwin MLC	Liberal Party
The Hon Michael Gallacher MLC	Liberal Party
The Hon Marie Ficarra MLC	Liberal Party
The Hon John Ajaka MLC	Liberal Party
The Hon Duncan Gay MLC	The Nationals
The Hon Melinda Pavey MLC	The Nationals
Dr John Kaye MLC	The Greens
Mr Ian Cohen MLC	The Greens
Ms Lee Rhiannon MLC	The Greens

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Chair's foreword

I am pleased to present this report on the Budget Estimates 2009-2010. This annual Inquiry into the Budget Estimates ensures parliamentary oversight of the Budget, and provides an important mechanism for the accountability of the executive government to the Council.

During the initial round of hearings the Committee held seven hearings, receiving 15 hours of evidence, to examine the portfolio areas of Fair Trading, Citizenship, Emergency Services, Small Business, Planning, Redfern Waterloo, Transport, Illawarra, Science and Medical Research, Health (Cancer), and Tourism and Hunter. The Committee subsequently held supplementary hearings to again examine the portfolios of Transport and Emergency Services.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank the Ministers and their officers who assisted the Committee during this important Inquiry. I am grateful to my fellow committee members for their contributions to the Inquiry process.



Hon Jenny Gardiner MLC
Chair

Chapter 1 Introduction

Referral of the 2009-2010 Budget Estimates

- 1.1 On 27 November 2008, the Legislative Council resolved ‘that the Budget Estimates and related papers for the financial year 2009-2010 presenting the amounts to be appropriated from the Consolidated Fund be referred to the General Purpose Standing Committees for inquiry and report¹’.
- 1.2 The resolution (referred to as the Budget Estimates Resolution) required each committee to examine the Budget Estimates for the relevant portfolios and report to the House by the last sitting day of the first sitting week in March 2010.²

Hearings

- 1.3 The Committee held seven public hearings as follows:
- Wednesday 16 September 2009 – Fair Trading, Citizenship
 - Wednesday 16 September 2009 – Emergency Services, Small Business
 - Wednesday 16 September 2009 – Planning, Redfern Waterloo
 - Thursday 17 September 2009 – Transport, Illawarra
 - Thursday 17 September 2009 – Science and Medical Research
 - Thursday 17 September 2009 – Health (Cancer)
 - Thursday 17 September 2009 – Tourism, Hunter.
- 1.4 In addition, the Committee held two supplementary public hearings, as follows:
- Wednesday 18 November 2009 – Transport
 - Wednesday 18 November 2009 – Emergency Services.
- 1.5 A brief summary of the key issues raised during the hearings is contained in Chapter 2.

Transcripts

- 1.6 Transcripts of the hearings are available on the Committee’s web page at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/gpsc4.

¹ *LC Minutes* (27/11/2008) 928-929

² *LC Minutes* (27/11/2008) 928-929, amended by *LC Minutes* (23/06/2009) 1253-1255

Questions on notice

- 1.7 Questions taken on notice, and the answers to these questions, are also available on the Committee's web page.

Chapter 2 Issues raised during hearings

This chapter provides a brief summary by portfolio of the key issues raised during the hearings.

Fair Trading, Citizenship

2.1 A hearing to examine the portfolios of Fair Trading and Citizenship was held on Wednesday 16 September 2009. The following issues were raised in relation to the Fair Trading portfolio:

- Licensing of real estate agents, compliance issues
- Children's toys, consumer protection
- Building Insurers Guarantee Corporation
- Home building warranty insurance
- Licensing of electricians
- Office of Fair Trading, organisational health check
- Support for small businesses.

2.2 The following issues were raised in relation to the Citizenship portfolio:

- Budget and work of the Community Relations Commission
- Translation and interpreting services
- Supporting migrant workers
- Review of the Ethnic Affairs Priorities Statement
- Community Development Grants Program.

Emergency Services, Small Business

2.3 A hearing to examine the portfolios of Emergency Services and Small Business was held on Wednesday 16 September 2009. The following issues were raised in relation to the Emergency Services portfolio:

- NSW Fire Brigade budget blow-out
- Workplace Injuries
- Training and recruitment of fire officers and volunteers
- FireCAD complaints
- 000 – mobile phones, services for hearing impaired, audit of telemetry gauges
- Fire fighting vehicles
- Smoke alarms

- Ambulances
- Hazard reduction and maintenance of fire trails
- Private fire brigades.

2.4 The following issues were raised in relation to the Small Business portfolio:

- Payroll tax
- Support for small business in Northern NSW and rural and regional NSW generally
- Broadband for home-based business
- Support for women in business
- Wind farms.

2.5 A supplementary hearing to examine the portfolio of Emergency Services was held on Wednesday 18 November 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Installation of ceiling insulation and ensuing impact on fire risk
- ICAC reports into the NSW Fire Brigades
- Retained brigades
- Staff leave levels
- Financial savings relating to shared corporate services
- Flood plain management
- Radio communication systems
- Council contributions to local State Emergency Services
- Presence of salaried officers at community meetings after emergency events.

Planning, Redfern Waterloo

2.6 A hearing to examine the portfolios of Planning and Redfern Waterloo was held on Wednesday 16 September 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Badgerys Creek redevelopment and related issues
- Impact of the Land and Environment Court decision in the Catherine Hill Bay-Gwandalan case
- Court action relating to the Hilltop regional shooting complex and other actions brought by the Environmental Defender's Office
- Planning system reform
- Probity plan for the Precinct Acceleration Protocol
- Selection of the State members for the joint regional planning panels

- Protection of the M24 Japanese midget submarine
- White Bay precinct.

2.7 The following issues were raised in relation to the Redfern Waterloo portfolio:

- Plans for the redevelopment of Redfern railway station
- Eveleigh farmers markets and the Eveleigh craft markets
- Redevelopment of the Redfern Waterloo area.

Transport, Illawarra

2.8 A hearing to examine the portfolios of Transport and Illawarra was held on 17 September 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Sydney Metro from CBD to Rozelle
- Transport Administration Bill regarding future use of disused rail corridors
- Redevelopment of City Rail website
- Taxi transport subsidy scheme
- Rail on time running and service reliability
- Initiatives to improve the delivery of public transport services
- Noise reduction activities for rail lines in Casula
- Usage levels of public transport
- Spending on the Illawarra in the Budget
- Potential extension of light rail in Sydney
- Operation of 131500 phone information service
- Operation of Epping-Chatswood rail link
- Integrated ticketing and T-card project
- Operation of Country Link.

2.9 A supplementary hearing to examine the portfolio of Transport was held on Wednesday 18 November 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Public Transport Ticketing Corporation and the delivery of the T-card project
- CBD to Rozelle Metro and the Western Metro
- Report of the Federal Government's NSW Grain Freight Review
- South-West Rail Link
- Accessibility, safety and security of railway stations
- Transport commitments in the State Plan and the transport blueprint

- Integration and coordination of the Transport superagency
- Cleaning work on the rail network
- Implementation of recommendations from the Independent Commission Against Corruption concerning RailCorp
- Final report of the Cross Border Transport Taskforce
- Sydney Ferries Customer Charter
- Delivery of new buses and the pre-pay program
- Safety at rail crossings
- Commuter car park program.

Science and Medical Research

2.10 A hearing to examine the portfolio of Science and Medical Research was held on 17 September 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Status of fund established to support spinal research
- Status of Pain Management Research Institute
- Nanotechnology in NSW, research, monitoring and pollution issues
- Knowledge Fund
- Science Leveraging Fund
- NSW Government Energy Challenge Prize.

Health (Cancer)

2.11 A hearing to examine the portfolio of Health (Cancer) was held on Thursday 17 September 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Breast cancer screening
- Radiotherapy plan
- Research into nitrogenizes
- Coal and coal power station pollution
- Non-smoking areas and anti-smoking campaigns
- Funding for cancer research.

Tourism, Hunter

2.12 A hearing to examine the portfolios of Tourism and the Hunter was held on 17 September 2009. The following issues were raised:

- Energy Australia Stadium Hunter Venues
- The Hunter Development Corporation Renewal Report
- Expansion of the University of Newcastle campus
- Relocation of courts to the new Justice Precinct
- Lower Hunter Strategy
- Hunter's defence industry
- Cruise ship industry promotion in the Hunter
- Stimulus money spending on tourism in NSW
- Tourism campaigns
- State of roads in the Hunter region
- Tourism NSW's strategic alliance with News Ltd
- National Tourism Survey
- NSW Government's Tourism Strategy.

Appendix 1 Witnesses at hearings

1. Fair Trading, Citizenship – Wednesday 16 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon Virginia Judge MP	Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Citizenship and Minister Assisting the Premier on the Arts
Mr Graeme Head	Director General, Department of Commerce
Mr Andrew Gavrielatos	Deputy Commissioner – Operations, Office of Fair Trading
Mr Rod Stowe	Deputy Commissioner – National Reform, Office of Fair Trading
Mr Steve Griffin	Assistant Commissioner (Home Building Service), Office of Fair Trading
Mr Michael Silk	Executive Director – Fair Trading Services, Office of Fair Trading
Mr Garry Wilson	Deputy Chairperson (Registry and Administration), Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal
Ms Carol Mills	Director General, Communities NSW
Mr Stepan Kerkyasharian	Chairperson, Community Relations Commission
Mr Hakan Harman	Director – Corporate and Financial Services, Community Relations Commission

2. Small Business and Emergency Services – Wednesday 16 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon Steve Whan MP	Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Small Business and Minister for Rural Affairs
Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons AFSM	NSW Rural Fire Service
Mr Peter Hennessy	Chief Financial Officer, NSW Rural Fire Service
A/Commissioner John Benson AFSM	NSW Fire Brigades
Mr Richard Host	Director – Finance and Information Technology, NSW Fire Brigades
Mr Stacey Tannos ESM	Director-General, Emergency Management NSW
Mr Barry Buffier	Deputy Director-General, Industry and Investment NSW
Mr Michael Cullen	Executive Director – Enterprise, Small Business and Regional Development, Industry and Investment NSW
Mr Warwick Watkins	Chief Executive Officer, Land and Property Management Authority

3. Planning, Redfern Waterloo – Wednesday 16 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon Kristina Keneally MP	Minister for Planning and Minister for Redfern Waterloo
Mr Sam Haddad	Director General, Department of Planning
Mr Richard Pearson	Deputy Director General – Development Assessment and Systems Performance, Department of Planning
Mr Ian Reynolds	Deputy Director General – Strategies and Land Release, Department of Planning
Mr Marcus Ray	Executive Director – Assessment Systems, General Counsel, Department of Planning
Mr Peter Despinidic	Director – Finance and Business Services, Department of Planning
Mr Roy Wakelin-King	Chief Executive Officer, Redfern Waterloo Authority
Mr John Tabart	Chief Executive Officer, Barangaroo Delivery Authority

4. Transport, Illawarra – Thursday 17 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon David Campbell MP	Minister for Transport and Minister for Illawarra
Mr Les Wielinga	Director General, NSW Transport and Infrastructure
Mr Rob Mason	Chief Executive Officer, RailCorp
Mr Peter Rowley	Chief Executive Officer, State Transit
Mr David Callahan	A/Chief Executive Officer, Sydney Ferries
Mr Rodd Staples	A/Chief Executive, SydneyMetro

5. Science, Medical Research – Thursday 17 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon Jodi McKay MP	Minister for Commerce, Minister for Tourism, Minister for the Hunter and Minister for Science and Medical Research
Mr Barry Buffier	Deputy Director General, Industry and Investment NSW
Ms Kerry Doyle	Executive Director, Office of Science and Medical Research

6. Health (Cancer) – Thursday 17 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon Barbara Perry MP	Minister for Local Government, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health and Cancer)
Dr Richard Matthews	Deputy Director General – Strategic Development, Department of Health
Dr Kerry Chant	Deputy Director General – Population Health and Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health
Ms Beth Macauley	Chief Operation Officer, NSW Cancer Institute

7. Tourism, Hunter – Thursday 17 September 2009

Name	Position and Organisation
The Hon Jodi McKay MP	Minister for Commerce, Minister for Tourism, Minister for the Hunter and Minister for Science and Medical Research
Mr Barry Buffier	Deputy Director General, Industry and Investment NSW
Ms Lyndel Gray	Executive Director, Tourism NSW
Mr Warwick Watkins	Chief Executive, Surveyor General, Registrar General, Land and Property Management Authority.

8. Transport – Wednesday 18 November 2009 (supplementary hearing)

Name	Position and Organisation
Mr Les Wielinga	Director General, NSW Transport and Infrastructure
Mr Rob Mason	Chief Executive Officer, RailCorp
Mr Peter Rowley	Chief Executive Officer, State Transit
Mr David Callahan	A/Chief Executive Officer, Sydney Ferries
Mr Chris Lock	Chief Executive Officer, Transport Infrastructure Development Organisation

8. Emergency Services – Wednesday 18 November 2009 (supplementary hearing)

Name	Position and Organisation
Mr Stacey Tannos ESM	Director General, Emergency Management NSW
Commissioner Greg Mullins AFSM	NSW Fire Brigades
Deputy Commissioner John Benson AFSM	NSW Fire Brigades

Appendix 2 Tabled documents

Wednesday 18 September 2009

Public Hearing, Jubilee Room, Parliament House

1. *Minster's notes in response to a question by Mr Henry Tsang regarding the Government's planning initiatives and progress in recognition of the future population growth of NSW* – Tendered by Minister Keneally

Wednesday 18 November 2009

Public Hearing, Jubilee Room, Parliament House

1. *Newtown Station Upgrade -Information Brochure August 2009* – Tendered by Mr Rob Mason, Chief Executive Officer, RailCorp

Appendix 3 Minutes

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Wednesday, 16 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 9am

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)

Ms Marie Ficarra (Clarke)

Ms Kayee Griffin

Ms Sylvia Hale

Mr Roy Smith

Mr Eddie Obeid (Tsang)

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Mr Obeid to substitute for Mr Tsang
- Ms Ficarra to substitute for Mr Clarke

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence sent:

- 1 July 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister Judge, Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Citizenship and Minister Assisting the Premier on Arts, regarding the Minister's scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Conduct of hearing

Order for examination of portfolios

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That the Citizenship portfolio be examined from 9.15 am until 10.00 am and the Fair Trading portfolio be examined from 10.00 am until 11.00 am.

Allocation of question time

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That for the initial round of hearings for the Fair Trading and Citizenship portfolios into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010, the allocation of questions to be asked be left in the hands of the Chair.

Return date for answers to questions on notice

Moved in accordance with the existing Budget Estimates resolution that for the Fair Trading and Citizenship portfolios, answers to questions taken on notice during the hearing, and questions on notice lodged up to two days following the hearing, be provided within 21 days.

Publication of answers to questions on notice

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Griffin: That according to section 4 of the *Parliamentary Papers (Supplementary Provisions) Act 1975* and Standing Order 223(1), the Committee authorise the Clerk of the Committee to publish the answers provided to questions on notice, except those answers for which a confidentiality is requested, after these answers have been circulated to committee members.

5. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded Minister Judge that she did not need to be sworn, as she had sworn an oath to her office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Mr Graeme Head, Director General, Department of Commerce
- Mr Andrew Gavrielatos, Deputy Commissioner – Operations, Office of Fair Trading
- Mr Rod Stowe, Deputy Commissioner – National Reform, Office of Fair Trading
- Mr Steve Griffin, Assistant Commissioner (Home Building Service), Office of Fair Trading
- Mr Michael Silk, Executive Director – Fair Trading Services, Office of Fair Trading
- Mr Garry Wilson, Deputy Chairperson (Registry and Administration), Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal
- Ms Carol Mills, Director General, Communities NSW
- Mr Stepan Kerkyasharian, Chairperson, Community Relations Commission
- Mr Hakan Harman, Director – Corporate and Financial Services, Community Relations Commission.

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Fair Trading and Citizenship open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 11 am. The public and media withdrew.

6. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11 am until Wednesday, 16 September 2009 at 11.15 am.

Rachel Callinan

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 29

Wednesday, 16 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 11.15am

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)
Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)
Ms Melinda Pavey (*Clarke*)
Ms Kayee Griffin
Mr Ian Cohen (*Hale*)
Mr Roy Smith
Mr Henry Tsang

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Ms Pavey to substitute for Mr Clarke
- Mr Cohen to substitute for Ms Hale

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following item of correspondence sent:

- 1 July 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister Whan, Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Small Business, regarding the Minister’s scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Conduct of hearingOrder for examination of portfolios

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Pavey: That the Small Business portfolio be examined from 11.15am until 11.45am and the sequence of questions to be asked alternate between Opposition, Cross Bench and Government members, in that order, with 10 minutes allocated to each, and that the Emergency Services portfolio be examined from 11.45am until 1.00pm and the sequence of questions to be asked alternate between Opposition, Cross Bench and Government members, in that order, with 25 minutes allocated to each.

5. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded Minister Whan that he did not need to be sworn, as he had sworn an oath to his office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons AFSM, NSW Rural Fire Service
- Mr Peter Hennessy, Chief Financial Officer, NSW Rural Fire Service
- A/Commissioner John Benson AFSM, NSW Fire Brigades
- Mr Richard Host, Director – Finance and Information Technology, NSW Fire Brigades
- Mr Stacey Tannos ESM, Director-General, Emergency Management NSW
- Mr Barry Buffier, Deputy Director-General, Industry and Investment NSW
- Mr Michael Cullen, Executive Director – Enterprise, Small Business and Regional Development, Industry and Investment NSW.
- Mr Warwick Watkins, Chief Executive Officer, Land and Property Management Authority

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Emergency Services and Small Business open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 1.00 pm. The public and media withdrew.

6. Deliberative meetingSupplementary hearing

Ms Pavey moved: That the Committee resolve to hold a supplementary hearing into the portfolios of Small Business and Emergency Services.

Ms Voltz moved: That the motion of Ms Pavey be amended by deleting all of the words after the word ‘Committee’ and inserting instead ‘defer consideration of whether to hold a supplementary hearing into the portfolios of Small Business and Emergency Services until after the return of answers to questions on notice’.

Amendment put.

The Committee divided.

Ayes: Ms Voltz, Ms Griffin, Mr Tsang, Mr Smith.

Question resolved in the affirmative.

Original question, as amended, put and passed.

Allocation of question time

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That, for the initial round of hearings for the Planning and Redfern Waterloo portfolios into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010, both portfolios be heard together and that the sequence of questions to be asked alternate between Opposition, Cross Bench and Government members, in that order, with 20 minutes allocated to each.

Return date for answers to questions on notice

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That for the initial round of hearings for large portfolios in the Budget Estimates 2009-2010, answers to questions taken on notice during the hearing, and questions on notice lodged up to two days following the hearing, be provided within 35 days.

7. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 1.10pm until Wednesday, 16 September 2009 at 2.00pm.

Rachel Callinan

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 30

Wednesday, 16 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 2.00pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)
Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)
Mr Don Harwin (Clarke)
Ms Amanda Fazio (Griffin)
Ms Sylvia Hale
Mr Roy Smith (until 4.50 pm)
Mr Henry Tsang

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Ms Fazio to substitute for Ms Griffin
- Mr Harwin to substitute for Mr Clarke

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following item of correspondence sent:

- 1 July 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister Keneally, Minister for Planning and Minister for Redfern Waterloo, regarding the Minister's scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair advised that the committee had resolved that answers to questions on notice for the portfolios of Planning and Redfern Waterloo would be required within 35 calendar days.

The Chair reminded Minister Keneally that she did not need to be sworn, as she had sworn an oath to her office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn or affirmed:

- Mr Sam Haddad, Director General, Department of Planning
- Mr Richard Pearson, Deputy Director General – Development Assessment and Systems Performance, Department of Planning
- Mr Ian Reynolds, Deputy Director General – Strategies and Land Release, Department of Planning
- Mr Marcus Ray, Executive Director – Assessment Systems, General Counsel, Department of Planning
- Mr Peter Despinidic, Director – Finance and Business Services, Department of Planning
- Mr Roy Wakelin-King, Chief Executive Officer, Redfern Waterloo Authority
- Mr John Tabart, Chief Executive Officer, Barangaroo Delivery Authority.

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Planning and Redfern Waterloo open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

The Minister tendered the following document:

- The Minister's notes in response to a question by Mr Henry Tsang regarding the Government's planning initiatives and progress in recognition of the future population growth of NSW.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 6.02pm. The public and media withdrew.

5. **Deliberative meeting**

Tabled documents

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Don Harwin: That the Committee accept and publish, according to section 4 of the *Parliamentary Papers (Supplementary Provisions) Act 1975* and Standing Order 223(1), the following document tendered during the public hearing:

- Minister Keneally's notes in response to question by Mr Henry Tsang regarding the Government's planning initiatives and progress in recognition of the future population growth of NSW.

Supplementary hearings

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That the Committee defer its decision to hold supplementary hearings relating to the portfolios of Planning and Redfern Waterloo until after it receives answers to questions on notice from the initial round of Budget Estimates hearings.

6. **Adjournment**

The Committee adjourned at 6:05 pm until Thursday, 17 September 2009 at 9.00am.

Rachel Simpson

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 31

Thursday, 17 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 9.00 am

1. **Members present**

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)

Mr John Ajaka (Clarke)

Ms Penny Sharpe (Griffin)

Ms Sylvia Hale (9.15 am)

Mr Roy Smith

Mr Henry Tsang

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Ms Sharpe to substitute for Ms Griffin
- Mr Ajaka to substitute for Mr Clark.

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following item of correspondence sent:

- 1 July 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister Campbell, Minister for Transport and Minister for the Illawarra, regarding the Minister's scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Conduct of hearing

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That the portfolios of Transport and Illawarra be examined concurrently.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That for the portfolios of Transport and Illawarra, answers to questions taken on notice during the hearing, and questions on notice lodged up to two days following the hearing, be provided within 35 days.

5. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded Minister Campbell that he did not need to be sworn, as he had sworn an oath to his office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Mr Les Wielinga, Director General, NSW Transport and Infrastructure
- Mr Rob Mason, Chief Executive Officer, RailCorp
- Mr Peter Rowley, Chief Executive Officer, State Transit
- Mr David Callahan, A/Chief Executive Officer, Sydney Ferries
- Mr Rodd Staples, A/Chief Executive, SydneyMetro.

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Transport and the Illawarra open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 1.00pm. The public and media withdrew.

6. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 1.00 pm until Thursday, 17 September 2009 at 2.00pm.

Madeleine Foley

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 32

Thursday, 17 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 2.00pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)

Mr Duncan Gay (Clarke)

Ms Kayee Griffin
 Dr John Kaye (Hale)
 Mr Roy Smith
 Mr Henry Tsang

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Mr Gay to substitute for Mr Clarke
- Dr Kaye to substitute for Ms Hale.

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence sent:

- 1 July 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister McKay, Minister for Science and Medical Research and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer), regarding the Minister's scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded Minister McKay that she did not need to be sworn, as she had sworn an oath to her office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Mr Barry Buffier, Deputy Director General, Industry and Investment NSW
- Ms Kerry Doyle, Executive Director, Office of Science and Medical Research.

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolio of Science and Medical Research open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 2:56. The public and media withdrew.

5. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 2:56 pm until Thursday, 17 September 2009 at 3:00 pm.

Jonathan Clark
Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 33

Thursday, 17 September 2009
 General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4
 Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 3:00 pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)
 Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)
 Mr Duncan Gay (Clarke)
 Ms Kayee Griffin
 Dr John Kaye (Hale)
 Mr Roy Smith

Mr Henry Tsang

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Mr Gay to substitute for Mr Clarke
- Dr Kaye to substitute for Ms Hale

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence sent:

- 15 September 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister Perry, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health and Cancer), regarding the Minister's scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded Minister Perry that she did not need to be sworn, as she had sworn an oath to her office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Dr Richard Matthews, Deputy Director General – Strategic Development, Department of Health
- Dr Kerry Chant, Deputy Director General – Population Health and Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health
- Ms Beth Macauley, Chief Operation Officer, NSW Cancer Institute

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolio of Health (Cancer) open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

Dr Kaye informed the Committee that he has close links with the medical and scientific community through his family and friends. Dr Kaye asked the Chair that his affiliation be placed on the public record during the hearing.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 3:49 pm. The public and media withdrew.

5. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 3:49 pm until Thursday, 17 September 2009 at 4.00 pm.

Jonathan Clark

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 34

Thursday, 17 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 4.00pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)
Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)
Mr Mike Gallacher (Clarke)
Ms Kayee Griffin
Dr John Kaye (Hale)
Mr Henry Tsang

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Mr Gallacher to substitute for Mr Clarke
- Dr Kaye to substitute for Ms Hale.

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence sent:

- 1 July 2009 – From Secretariat to Minister McKay, Minister for Tourism and Minister for the Hunter, regarding the Minister's scheduled appearance time for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded Minister McKay that she did not need to be sworn, as she had sworn an oath to her office as a member of Parliament.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Ms Lyndel Gray, Executive Director, Tourism NSW
- Mr Warwick Watkins, Chief Executive, Surveyor General, Registrar General, Land and Property Management Authority.

The following witness was examined on a former oath:

- Mr Barry Buffier, Deputy Director General, Industry and Investment NSW

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolios of Tourism and the Hunter open for examination.

The Minister and other witnesses were examined by the Committee.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 5:58 pm. The public and media withdrew.

5. Deliberative meeting

Supplementary hearings

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Linda Voltz: That the Committee defer its decision to hold supplementary hearings relating to all of its portfolios until after it receives answers to questions on notice from the initial round of Budget Estimates hearings.

6. Other business

7. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 5:58 pm until *sine die*.

Jonathan Clark
Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 36

Tuesday 22 September 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Members' Lounge, Parliament House, Sydney at 7 pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Mr David Clarke (Pearce)

Ms Amanda Fazio

Ms Kayee Griffin

Ms Sylvia Hale

Mr Mick Veitch

2. Apologies

Mr Roy Smith

3. Substitutions

The Chair advised that she had received written advice from the Opposition Whip that Mr Clarke would be substituting for Mr Pearce for the purposes of the meeting.

4. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Fazio: That Draft Minutes No. 27 be confirmed

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Clarke: That Draft Minutes No. 26 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That Draft Minutes No. 28 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Griffin: That Draft Minutes No. 29 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Fazio: That Draft Minutes No. 30 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That Draft Minutes No. 31 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Griffin: That Draft Minutes No.'s 32, 33 and 34 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That Draft Minutes No. 35 be confirmed.

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9. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 7.15 pm until 1.45 pm Tuesday 29 September 2009.

Madeleine Foley

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 40

Thursday 29 October 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Member's Lounge, Parliament House, Sydney, at 1.05 pm

1. Members present

Ms Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)
 Ms Lynda Voltz (*Deputy Chair*)
 Ms Kayee Griffin
 Ms Sylvia Hale
 Mr David Clarke
 Mr Roy Smith
 Mr Henry Tsang

2. Minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That draft Minutes Nos. 38 and 39 be confirmed.

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence received:

- Letters providing answers to questions taken on notice during the Budget Estimates hearings on Wednesday 16 September 2009:
 - 12 October – Minister Judge (Fair Trading, Citizenship)
 - 12 October – Minister Whan (Emergency Services, Small Business)
 - 26 October – Minister Keneally (Planning, Redfern Waterloo).
- Letters providing answers to questions taken on notice during the Budget Estimates hearings on Thursday 17 September 2009:
 - 13 October – Minister McKay (Science and Medical Research)
 - 13 October – Minister Perry (Health (Cancer))
 - 13 October – Minister McKay (Tourism, the Hunter).

The Committee noted the following item of correspondence sent:

- 21 September 2009 – Letters from the Secretariat requesting answers to Budget Estimates questions on notice by 5 pm Monday 12 October 2009, to:
 - Minister Judge – Fair Trading, Citizenship
 - Minister Whan – Emergency Services, Small Business
- 21 September 2009 – Letters from the Secretariat requesting answers to Budget Estimates questions on notice by 5 pm Monday 26 October 2009, to:
 - Minister Keneally – Planning, Redfern Waterloo.
- 22 September 2009 – Letters from the Secretariat requesting answers to Budget Estimates questions on notice by 5 pm Tuesday 27 October 2009, to:
 - Minister Campbell – Transport, Illawarra
- 22 September 2009 – Letters from the Secretariat requesting answers to Budget Estimates questions on notice by 5 pm Tuesday 13 October 2009, to:
 - Minister McKay – Science and Medical Research
 - Minister Perry – Health (Cancer)
 - Minister McKay – Tourism, the Hunter.

4. Budget Estimates supplementary hearings

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Clarke: That the Committee hold a supplementary hearing to consider matters relating to the portfolio of Transport.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That the Committee hold a supplementary hearing to consider matters relating to the portfolio of Emergency Services.

Mr Clarke moved: That the Committee hold a supplementary hearing to consider matters relating to the portfolio of Planning.

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Ayes: Mr Clarke, Ms Gardiner and Ms Hale
 Noes: Ms Griffin, Mr Smith, Mr Tsang and Ms Voltz

Question resolved in the negative.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Smith: That the supplementary hearings for Transport and Emergency Services be held on Wednesday 18 November 2009.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz: That the Transport supplementary hearing be held from 9.30am to 12 noon.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Clarke: That the Emergency Services supplementary hearing be held from 1.00pm to 3.00pm.

5. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 1:15 pm until 10 am on Tuesday 17 November 2009 (Badgerys Creek Inquiry).

Cathryn Cummins

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 42

Wednesday 11 November 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Parkes Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 1.05 pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Ms Amanda Fazio

Ms Kayee Griffin

Ms Sylvia Hale

Mr Greg Pearce

Mr Roy Smith

Mr Mick Veitch

2. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That Draft Minutes No. 40 be confirmed.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Fazio: That Draft Minutes No. 41 be confirmed.

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4. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 1.25 pm until 10 am Tuesday 17 November 2009.

Madeleine Foley

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 44

Wednesday 18 November 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 9.20am

1. Members present

Ms Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Ms Lee Rhiannon (from 9.30am) (Hale)

Mr Roy Smith (left 10.15am, back 10.53am)

Mr John Ajaka (Clarke)

Ms Kayee Griffin

Mr Henry Tsang

Ms Lynda Voltz

2. **Substitute members**

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Mr Ajaka to substitute for Mr Clarke.
- Ms Rhiannon to substitute for Ms Hale.

3. **Correspondence**

The Committee noted the following item of correspondence sent:

- 30 October 2009– From Secretariat to the Minister for Transport, advising him of the supplementary hearing to be held on Wednesday 18 November 2009 for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

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5. **Conduct of hearing**

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Griffin: That for the supplementary round of hearings into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010, the sequence of questions alternate between Opposition, Cross Bench and Government members, in that order, with 20 minutes allocated to each.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Voltz:

- That for the supplementary round of hearings into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010, answers to questions taken on notice during the hearing for the Transport portfolio, and questions on notice lodged up to two days following the hearing, be provided within 30 days.
- That for the supplementary round of hearings into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010, answers to questions taken on notice during the hearing for the Emergency Services portfolio, and questions on notice lodged up to two days following the hearing, be provided within 21 days.

The Chair advised that there would be a brief break at 10.30am.

6. **Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010**

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded the following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations that they did not need to be sworn, as they had been sworn at the initial Budget Estimates hearing:

- Mr Les Wielinga, Director General, NSW Transport and Infrastructure
- Mr Rob Mason, Chief Executive Officer, RailCorp
- Mr Peter Rowley, Chief Executive Officer, State Transit
- Mr David Callahan, A/Chief Executive Officer, Sydney Ferries.

The following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations were sworn:

- Mr Chris Lock, Chief Executive Officer, Transport Infrastructure Development Organisation.

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolio Transport open for examination.

The witnesses were examined by the Committee.

Mr Mason tendered the following document:

- Newtown Station Upgrade -Information Brochure August 2009.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 11.55 am. The public and media withdrew.

7. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.55 am until Wednesday 18 November at 1.00 pm

Rebecca Main
Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 45

Wednesday 18 November 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Jubilee Room, Parliament House, Sydney, at 1.00 pm

1. Members present

Ms Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)
Mr Roy Smith
Ms Melinda Pavey (*Clarke*)
Ms Kayee Griffin
Mr Henry Tsang
Ms Lynda Voltz

2. Substitute members

The Chair advised that she had received written advice that the following members would be substituting for the purposes of this hearing:

- Ms Pavey to substitute for Mr Clarke.

3. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence sent:

- 30 October 2009– From Secretariat to the Minister for Emergency Services, advising him of the supplementary hearing to be held on Wednesday 18 November 2009 for the Inquiry into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010.

4. Conduct of hearing

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Pavey: That for the supplementary round of hearings into the Budget Estimates 2009-2010 for Emergency Services, the sequence of questions to be asked alternate between Opposition, Cross Bench and Government members, in that order, with 20 minutes allocated to each.

5. Public hearing: Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2009-2010

Witnesses, the public and media were admitted.

The Chair made an opening statement regarding the broadcasting of proceedings and other matters. The Chair reminded the following officials from departments, statutory bodies or corporations that they did not need to be sworn, as they had been sworn at the initial Budget Estimates hearing:

- Mr Stacey Tannos, Director General, Emergency Management NSW
- Deputy Commission John Benson AFSM, NSW Fire Brigades.

The following official from departments, statutory bodies or corporations was sworn:

- Commissioner Greg Mullins AFSM, NSW Fire Brigades.

The Chair then declared the proposed expenditure for the portfolio Emergency Services open for examination.

The Committee examined the witnesses.

The evidence concluded and the witnesses withdrew.

The public hearing concluded at 1.50pm. The public and media withdrew.

6. Deliberative meeting

Resolved on the motion of Ms Voltz: That in light of the serious bushfire conditions currently existing in various parts of New South Wales, the Committee inform Emergency Services personnel that it will not insist on the return of questions on notice within the requested 21 day time period if that would require resources being directed away from fighting bushfires or addressing other emergencies and that it would be appreciated if any questions on notice be answered when resources do not need to be so allocated.

7. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 1.50 pm until Tuesday 24 November 2009 at 6.30pm.

Jonathan Clark

Clerk to the Committee

Minutes No. 46

Monday 24 November 2009

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Members' Lounge, Parliament House, Sydney, at 6.30 pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Mr Greg Donnelly (Tsang)

Ms Kayee Griffin

Mr Greg Pearce (Clarke)

Mr Roy Smith

Mr Mick Veitch (Voltz)

2. Substitute members

The Chair noted written advice from the Government Whip that he would be substituting for Mr Tsang for the purpose of the meeting.

3. Previous minutes

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Griffin: That Draft Minutes No.'s 43, 44 and 45 be confirmed.

4. *****5. *******6. Adjournment**

The Committee adjourned at 6.40 pm *sine die*.

Madeleine Foley

Clerk to the Committee

DRAFT Minutes No. 48

Wednesday 24 February 2010

General Purpose Standing Committee No. 4

Members' Lounge, Parliament House, Sydney, at 1.10 pm

1. Members present

Miss Jenny Gardiner (*Chair*)

Mr Tony Catanzariti

Ms Kayee Griffin

Ms Sylvia Hale

Mr Greg Pearce (Clarke)

Mr Mick Veitch (Voltz)

2. Apologies

Mr Roy Smith

3. *****4. Correspondence**

The Committee noted the following items of correspondence sent:

- 23 November 2009 – To Minister Campbell (Transport) requesting answers to Budget Estimates questions on notice by 5 pm Wednesday 23 December 2009
- 23 November 2009 – To Minister Whan (Emergency Services) requesting answers to Budget Estimates questions on notice by 5 pm Monday 14 December 2009
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The Committee noted the following items of correspondence received:

- Letters providing answers to questions taken on notice during the Budget Estimates hearings on Wednesday 16 September 2009:
 - 14 December – Minister Whan (Emergency Services)
 - 4 January 2010 – Minister Campbell (Transport)

5. *****6. Budget Estimates 2009-2010 – Chair’s draft report**

The Chair tabled her draft report no. 23 entitled *Budget Estimates 2009-2010*, which, having been previously circulated, was taken as being read.

Resolved, on the motion of Ms Hale: That the draft report be the report of the Committee. Further, that the Committee present the report to the House, together with transcripts of evidence, tabled documents, answers to questions on notice, minutes of proceedings and correspondence relating to the Inquiry.

7. Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 1.15 pm *sine die*.

Madeleine Foley

Clerk to the Committee