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## **BUDGET ESTIMATES 2019-2020 Supplementary Questions**

**Portfolio Committee No. 7 – Planning and Environment**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Questions from the Hon Mark Buttigieg MLC (on behalf of the NSW Labor Opposition)

#### Stockton

1. I refer to the Minister's comments that she wants a long term solution for erosion at Stockton by the end of the year, where is the Government up to on finding a long term solutions for erosion at Stockton?
  - (a) Is the Minister confident a solution will be identified by the end of year?
  - (b) Is the Minister confident that Newcastle Council's Coastal Management Program for Stockton will be completed by the end of the year?
2. Is the Minister aware that offshore sand dredging for beach nourishment purposes at Stockton has been identified as a potential solution to the erosion at Stockton beach?
3. Is the Minister aware that offshore sand dredging for beach nourishment purposes has worked successfully in Queensland?
4. What is the process for gaining approval for offshore sand dredging for beach nourishment purposes in New South Wales?
5. Will you consider lobbying the NSW Deputy Premier to call for offshore sand dredging for beach nourishment purposes at Stockton?
6. Since 2011, how much has the Government spent addressing coastal erosion at Collaroy?
  - (a) Please provide a breakdown of all works that have been funded.
7. Since 2011 how much has the Government spent addressing coastal erosion at Stockton?
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8. With regard to recent reports that significant dredging would be required as part of the Newcastle Gas Terminal and that this sand could be used at Stockton Beach to address erosion:
  - (a) Will the Minister ensure this is considered as part of the State Significant Development process?
  - (b) Would the sand from this dredging be of a suitable quality to use at Stockton Beach?
9. Has Newcastle Council applied for funding to expedite the preparation of its Coastal Management Program?

(a) If so, what was the result of this application?