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*8407 REVITALISE NEIGHBOURHOODS ALONG PARRAMATTA ROAD—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) How much of the \$123 million to revitalise neighbourhoods along Parramatta Road as part of the Parramatta Road strategy and announced in the 2016-17 Budget have been spent to date (as at 22 May 2018)?
 - (a) What projects have been initiated with these funds?
 - (i) What projects are completed?
 - (b) Has there been a delay in delivering these projects?
 - (i) If so,
 - (i) Why has there been a delay;
 - (ii) What is the revised timeline of these projects?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question should be directed to the Premier

*8408 CONGESTION ON CARLTON CRESCENT, SUMMER HILL—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How will Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) address the growing congestion on Carlton Crescent, Summer Hill, which impacts traffic in Marrickville, Petersham, Lewisham, Summer Hill and Ashfield, as well as surrounding communities?
- (2) What solutions has RMS examined to date (as at 22 May 2018)?
 - (a) Why have they not been progressed?
- (3) When was the left turn only rule instigated at the corner of Liverpool Road and Carlton Crescent?
 - (a) What impact would removing this have on traffic on Carlton Crescent and local traffic in Summer Hill?
- (4) How will RMS manage concerns for student safety at the intersection of Railway Terrace and West Street, Petersham?

Answer—

I am advised:

Carlton Crescent is a Regional Road under the care and control of Inner West Council.

Timed signalised pedestrian crossings are installed at the intersection of West Street and Railway Terrace. There are no reported crashes involving pedestrians at the intersection.

*8410 LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION PROPERTIES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many properties owned by the Land and Housing Corporation and currently used by transitional or crisis housing providers have been relinquished, sold or acquired in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?
- (2) How many additional properties have been purchased or built by Land and Housing Corporation for the express purpose of transitional or crisis housing, provided by not-for-profit or community housing providers?

Answer—

These questions should be referred to the Minister for Social Housing.

*8411 CONDITIONS TO STAGES 1 AND 2 OF WESTCONNEX PROJECTS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

With the WestConnex M4-M5 Link planning approval demanding stricter conditions of approval on a range of construction activities than was the case for the first two stages of the project, will these stricter conditions be applied to Stages 1 and 2 and will greater protections to residents and business owners affected by these projects be extended?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Department of Planning and Environment have approved the M4-M5 Link with strict planning conditions to reduce the impact on local residents and businesses during construction and operation.

*8412 SURPLUS SYDNEY WATER PROPERTIES SOLD—Mr Chris Minns asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Where are the 21 properties referred to on page 81 of the Sydney Water Annual Report as sold due to being 'surplus to our needs' located?

Answer—

I am advised:

That in the 2016-17 financial year, Sydney Water Corporation sold 21 properties. The properties were located at:

- Alexandria - 169 Euston Road
- Bankstown - Homedale Road (Lot 102 in DP 1228873)
- Beverly Hills - 1W Kooemba Road
- Bondi Beach - 105 Wellington Street
- Campsie - 27 Anglo Road
- Clovelly - 45-51 Burnie Street
- Condell Park - 10 Simmat Avenue
- Dural - 2 Wirrabarra Road
- Guildford - Hawksview Street and Albert Street (Lots 16-17, 24-28, 62-70 in DP 886)
- Lidcombe - Day Street South (Lot 1 in DP 528276)
- Manly - 73 Golf Parade
- Manly - 21 Iluka Avenue
- Medlow Bath - 28 Delmonte Avenue
- Narellan - The Northern Road (Lot 6 in DP 1214634)
- North Bondi - 21-23 Niblick Street
- North Bondi - 34 Gilgandra Road
- Pennant Hills - 10-12 Victoria Road
- Stanmore - 125 Corunna Road
- Sydney - 21-25 Sussex Street
- Warriewood - 9A Boondah Road
- West Pennant Hills - 139 Victoria Road

*8413 BULLI HOSPITAL PARKING SPACES—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) How many parking spaces will be available to patients and visitors at the completed Bulli Hospital redevelopment?

- (a) How many of these spaces will be:
- (i) Car parking spaces;
 - (ii) Motorcycle parking spaces;
 - (iii) Secure bicycle parking spaces?

Answer—

The Bulli Hospital Aged Care Centre of Excellence will provide 59 parking spaces onsite when completed. This is 9 more spaces than required by the Wollongong City Council Development Control Plan.

*8415 EAR, NOSE AND THROAT SPECIALIST WAITING LIST—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) How many people are currently on the waiting list to see an ear, nose and throat specialist in the Hunter New England Local Health District (as at 21 May 2018)?

- (a) How many of these patients are children?

Answer—

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To ensure the most urgent people are seen first, appointments are allocated in order of clinical priority. Patients on the wait list are actively followed up by the District, with treatment priorities constantly reviewed in consultation with treating clinicians.

*8416 NEW SCHOOLS IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Does the Government have any plans to build a new primary school or high school in the Wallsend electorate?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so:
 - (i) What type of school will be built;
 - (ii) Where will it be located?

Answer—

I am advised there is sufficient space in existing Wallsend electorate schools to accommodate future enrolment demand.

The department monitors population trends to meet enrolment needs in schools across New South Wales. To do so, the department regularly consults with relevant departments and agencies such as the Department of Planning and Environment and local councils.

*8417 PARAMEDICS IN NEWCASTLE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What is the number of full-time equivalent paramedics in Newcastle in each year from 2012 to 2018 (as at 21 May 2018)?

Answer—

Full-time equivalent (FTE) paramedic positions in the Newcastle area have increased during this period.

*8418 PARAMEDICS IN LAKE MACQUARIE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What is the number of full-time equivalent paramedics in Lake Macquarie in each year from 2012 to 2018 (as at 21 May 2018)?

Answer—

Full-time equivalent (FTE) paramedic positions in the Lake Macquarie area have increased over this period.

*8419 PAEDIATRIC NEUROLOGIST WAITING LIST—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

How many children are currently on the waiting list to see a paediatric neurologist in the Hunter New England Local Health District?

Answer—

Children and young people referred to the Paediatric Neurologist are allocated an appointment in order of clinical priority. Patients on the wait list are actively followed up by the District, with treatment priorities constantly reviewed in consultation with treating clinicians.

*8420 PARKING REVENUE AT JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What was the total revenue raised from parking spaces at John Hunter Hospital?
 - (a) How much of this revenue is spent on developing better access for disabled patients and more disability parking spaces?

Answer—

All revenue from car parking is used to provide frontline health services, including for those patients with disabilities.

*8421 STAFF ROSTERED AT JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL DURING THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PERIOD—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many nursing staff were rostered for duty during the Christmas and New Year period in

December 2017 at John Hunter Hospital?

- (a) Is this an increase or decrease of rostered nursing staff from the same Christmas and New Year period in December 2016?
(i) If there was a decrease, what was the impact on patients during this period?

Answer—

John Hunter Hospital had the equivalent of 824.2 full-time equivalent (FTE) nurses who were rostered and worked during the 2017-2018 Christmas and New Year period.

Wards were provided with nursing staff in accordance with the requirements of the Public Health System Nurses and Midwives (State) Award.

*8422 STAFF ROSTERED AT CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL DURING THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PERIOD—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many nursing staff were rostered for duty during the Christmas and New Year period in December 2017 at the Calvary Mater Hospital Newcastle?
(a) Is this an increase or decrease of rostered nursing staff from the same Christmas and New Year period in December 2016?
(i) If there was a decrease, what was the impact on patients during this period?

Answer—

Calvary Mater Newcastle had the equivalent of 172.12 nurses per day rostered on during the 2017-2018 Christmas and New Year period.

Wards were provided with nursing staff in accordance with the requirements of the Public Health System Nurses and Midwives (State) Award.

*8423 EXPENDITURE OF FLOOD MITIGATION WORKS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

How much money was spent on flood mitigation works in New South Wales in the 2016-17 financial year?

Answer—

There are a number of agencies with flood mitigation and management responsibilities in NSW. These include the Office of Environment and Heritage, which manages the Floodplain Management Program, and the NSW Office of Emergency Management, which manages the Floodplain Grants Scheme. Questions relating to expenditure under these programs should be directed to the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Emergency Services respectively.

Within the Industry cluster, WaterNSW has specific roles under the NSW State Flood Plan, which include the operation and management of releases from its storages during floods and the operation and maintenance of the river gauging network that provides data to the Bureau of Meteorology to enable flood modelling and forecasting to occur. These roles are performed within WaterNSW's area of operations as prescribed by the Water NSW Act (2014). The costs associated with these activities are incorporated within WaterNSW's annual operational costs.

Project related expenditure, external to operational costs in 2016-17, was \$2,185,165.

*8424 BUDGET FUNDING—Ms Julia Finn asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

Will you include in the upcoming Budget fair funding for the Granville electorate?

Answer—

The comprehensive list of projects located in the Granville electorate that have received funding in the 2018-19 Budget, can be found in the electorate report.

*8426 SMALL BUSINESS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) How many operators of small businesses in the Granville electorate sought advice from the Department of Industry about starting a new business over the last 12 months (to 22 May 2018)?
(2) How many operators of small businesses in the Granville electorate got advice from the Small Biz Connect portal over the last 12 months (to 22 May 2018)?

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(3) How many operators of small businesses in the Granville electorate booked a session with a local Business Connect advisor?

Answer—

- (1) 245.
- (2) 344.
- (3) 223.

*8427 UNCONTROLLED WASTEWATER OVERFLOWS—Mr Chris Minns asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Considering that there were 8,355 properties affected by uncontrolled wastewater overflows in 2017, what steps have been taken to reduce this number?

Answer—

I am advised:

Sydney Water and the Government are committed to protecting public health and the environment.

Sydney Water has a large range of programs that are designed to reduce the number of uncontrolled wastewater overflows, including:

- voluntary private wastewater pipe program acoustic testing
- Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) inspection program
- FOG community awareness campaign
- tree canopy mapping
- improved reactive response to blockages
- targeted waterway zone inspection program
- Customer Hub trial
- "Keep Wipes out of the Pipes" awareness campaign.

The results show that these actions are working. Despite a rapidly increasing population, since financial year 2014-15, there has been a downward trend in the number of private properties affected by wastewater overflows.

*8428 SYDNEY WATER MAINTENANCE—Mr Chris Minns asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Considering that there has been a 15 per cent increase in the amount of water lost via leakage since 2014 what steps are you taking to protect the Sydney Water maintenance budget from a cash raid by the Treasurer?

Answer—

I am advised:

Sydney Water manages a large and complex network of around 22,000 kilometres of water mains. Leaks and breaks are an issue encountered by water utilities around the world. Under the world rating system for leak management, Sydney Water has the highest grade of A1.

Sydney Water manages leakage in accordance with its Operating Licence which is administered by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART).

Periods of prolonged hot and dry weather such as Greater Sydney has experienced recently, are known to cause pipe expansion and joint movement, resulting in increased water main leaks and breaks. This issue confronts water utilities around the world.

Overall, Sydney Water has reduced the level of breaks and leaks over the period of 2002-03 to 2016-17. Sydney Water is in the top 10 per cent worldwide for minimising leaks.

*8429 DISCOUNT RATE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) Will you commit to reviewing the discount rate that Treasury applies when it is considering infrastructure projects to fund?
 - (a) If so, when will that happen?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

The discount rate was reviewed in 2017. The Government is following best practice recommended by IPART, benchmarks published by the Commonwealth Productivity Commission and Infrastructure Australia.

*8430 SYDNEY WATER HARDSHIP PROGRAM—Mr Chris Minns asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Why has there been a significant drop in the number of customers accessing Sydney Water's hardship program as per page 27 of the Sydney Water Annual Report?

Answer—

I am advised:

Sydney Water has not changed its policy or procedures for those experiencing hardship, and continues to inform customers of its programs in customer bills, through advertising in newspapers, Waterwrap and on the Sydney Water website. On page 42 of the 2016-17 Annual Report it can be seen that total expenditure on the Hardship Support Scheme has remained consistent at \$0.9 million to \$1.1 million over the last four years.

The number of customers in Sydney Water's Bill Assist program has been stable at between 1,071 and 1,474 customers over the last four years. The number of customers on payment arrangements has dropped over that time, as Sydney Water continually improves payment arrangements available for customers.

*8431 KERBSIDE RECYCLING—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Will the Government invest in domestic recyclers to help guarantee local solutions to the impending crisis in kerbside recycling?
- (2) How is the Government working with community organisations in waste management - including Reverse Garbage, the Bower Reuse and Repair Cafe and others - to improve reuse of materials?
- (3) Is the Government considering amending its procurement rules to encourage greater use of recycled materials and aggregate in major projects such as roadbuilding or pipe-laying?

Answer—

- (1) The Government's \$47.25 million support package announced in March 2018, supports local councils and industry to maintain ongoing kerbside recycling services across New South Wales. More information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/recycling-and-reuse/response-to-china-national-sword>.
- (2) The Government supports the work of community organisations to increase material reuse through several programs funded by the nine-year, \$802.7 million Waste Less, Recycle More initiative. More information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/recycling-and-reuse/waste-less-recycle-more>.
- (3) The Government has established an inter-governmental taskforce to work in partnership with industry and councils to progress a longer-term response to National Sword. More information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/recycling-and-reuse/response-to-china-national-sword>.

*8432 WESTCONNEX CONCERNS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

How does the Minister respond to concerns raised by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) about Transurban buying a majority stake in WestConnex, particularly in relation to the ongoing cost of tolls for consumers?

Answer—

I am advised this is a matter for the Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations.

*8433 PET LICENSE IN A RENTAL PROPERTY—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) Is the practice of charging a pet license in a rental property legal?
- (2) How many instances of such a license have been reported to NSW Fair Trading?
- (3) Does the Government plan to make the practice of charging a pet license in a rental property legal in

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its response to the statutory review of the Residential Tenancies Act?

Answer—

- (1) NSW Fair Trading is continuing to review the practice of imposing a pet license fee.
- (2) From 1 January 2015 to date, Fair Trading has received seven reports about an additional charge being payable for keeping a pet.
- (3) The Government is currently undertaking a statutory review of the Residential Tenancies Act 2010. Legislation will be introduced into Parliament in the near future that will include a range of measures to increase the rights of tenants living under residential tenancy agreements.

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*8434 FINES UNDER THE SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT REGULATION—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Since the commencement of the Smoke-free Environment Regulation 2016, how many fines across New South Wales have been issued (as at 23 May 2018) for smoking in:
 - (a) Shopping centres;
 - (b) Cinemas;
 - (c) Libraries;
 - (d) Trains;
 - (e) Buses;
 - (f) Within 10 metres of children's play equipment in outdoor public places;
 - (g) Public swimming pools;
 - (h) Spectator areas at sports grounds or other recreational areas used for organised sporting events;
 - (i) Public transport stops and platforms, including ferry wharves and taxi ranks;
 - (j) Within 4 metres of a pedestrian access point to a public building;
 - (k) Commercial outdoor dining areas?
- (2) Since the commencement of the Smoke-free Environment Regulation 2016, how many fines have been issued (as at 23 May 2018) for smoking in the City of Parramatta Council area ?
 - (a) Which location was the most common for non-compliance?
- (3) Since the commencement of the Smoke-free Environment Regulation 2016, how many fines have been issued (as at 23 May 2018) for smoking in the Cumberland Council area ?
 - (a) Which location was the most common for non-compliance?

Answer—

(1) Revenue NSW only hold data for three offences under the Smoke-free Environment Regulation 2016 and they are:

- Smoke in smoke-free area
- Smoke in designated smoke free area of public hospital etc
- Smoke in commercial outdoor dining area

Offence Description	2016-17	2017-18 (Year to date)	Grand Total
Smoke in commercial outdoor dining area		2	2
Smoke in designated smoke free area of public hospital etc.	11	28	39
Smoke in a smoke free area	177	164	341
Grand Total	188	194	382

(2)

Offence Description	Parramatta (2150)	Grand Total
Smoke in a smoke-free area	9	9
Grand Total	9	9

(3)

Offence Description	Granville (2142)	Auburn (2144)	Grand Total

Smoke in a smoke-free area	1	1	2
Grand Total	1	1	2

Notes:

1. Data is as at 8 June 2018 and may change retrospectively as penalty notices progress through the fine lifecycle
2. Report includes all notices with an offence date since 01 September 2016 (commence of the Smoke-free Regulation 2016) and uploaded to the fines database as at the reporting date
3. Data includes all penalty notices issued for offences under the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 (there are only 3 offences)
4. Offence locations are recorded by suburb name only.
Each suburb name is matched to a Local Government Area (LGA) or postcodes using a concordance.
Each suburb name is represented by one primary postcode

*8435 BOARDING HOUSE DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) Considering Notice of Motion 2082 in the name of the Member for Drummoyne, which has now lapsed, does the Minister support:
 - (a) Commencing a review of State Environmental Planning Policies which encourage boarding house developments;
 - (b) Imposing a stringent parking code for boarding houses requiring one car spot per room;
 - (c) Changing the rules so that commercial operations pay land tax?

Answer—

- (1) (a) This question should be referred to the Minister for Planning.
- (b) This question should be referred to the Minister for Planning.
- (c) This question should be referred to the Treasurer.

*8436 ROAD BLACK SPOTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Considering your response to LA Q7952, how many of the 59 public nominations for the Commonwealth Government Black Spot Program came from the Cumberland Council area?
 - (a) Which of these projects have been funded?
- (2) How many of the 59 public nominations for the Commonwealth Government Black Spot Program came from the City of Parramatta Council area?
 - (a) Which of these projects have been funded?
- (3) Which of the nominations for the Safer Roads Program came from the Cumberland Council area?
 - (a) Which of these projects have been funded?
- (4) Which of the nominations for the Safer Roads Program came from the City of Parramatta Council area?
 - (a) Which of these projects have been funded?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) None.
- (2) One. The nomination was forwarded to City of Parramatta Council for its review and consideration.
- (3) Twelve projects were nominated in 2017 for the Cumberland Council area. Information on funded projects is available on the Centre for Road Safety website.
- (4) Five projects were nominated in 2017 for the City of Parramatta Council area, Information on funded projects is available on the Centre for Road Safety website.

*8437 REGIONAL TOUR FOR THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF SUSSEX—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

Considering your public comments about inviting the Duke and Duchess of Sussex to visit regional New South Wales on their upcoming trip to Sydney, will you put forward the Illawarra region for consideration as a place for the couple to visit?

Answer—

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*8438 ECONOMIC MODELLING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW JAIL—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

(1) Considering the proposal to construct a new jail at West Dapto/Kembla Grange, what economic modelling has been used to determine the economic benefits of this facility to the local area?

(a) Will this modelling be released?

(i) If so, when?

(ii) If not, why not?

Answer—

The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a suitable location.

*8440 MULTI-STOREY COMMUTER CAR PARK FOR EDMONDSON PARK RAILWAY STATION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

When will a multi-storey commuter car park be built at Edmondson Park Railway Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has responded to community feedback with the 2018-19 NSW Budget including funding to start planning for improvements to parking at Edmondson Park and Leppington stations. Initial planning work will start in the next few months with the local community and stakeholders kept informed as work progresses.

The bus network that services Edmondson Park and Leppington train stations will continue to be monitored and developed.

Edmondson Park was selected as one of the first places in New South Wales to trial On-Demand shuttle bus services for commuters wishing to travel from Edmondson Park Station. On-demand services operate during the morning and afternoon weekday peaks, and cover a large portion of the Edmondson Park Estate.

*8441 USE OF AMBULANCE STATION BUILDINGS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What is the future or proposed use of ambulance station buildings in Cartwright Avenue, Busby and Forbes Street, Liverpool?

Answer—

Construction of the new Liverpool Superstation has made the former Forbes Street Liverpool site surplus to requirements. The future of the property is being reviewed. Green Valley ambulance station at Cartwright Avenue Busby remains operational.

*8442 PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

In your position as Special Minister of State, what specific portfolio duties do you undertake, apart from those connected with the Electoral Bill and the Electoral Funding Bill?

Answer—

I undertake a range of activities in my role as the Special Minister of State.

*8443 PERMANENT MAGISTRATE FOR BROKEN HILL LOCAL COURT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

Will a permanent magistrate commence sitting at Broken Hill Local Court within the next twelve months?

Answer—

I am advised :

I refer the Member to the response to LA Q7945.

*8445 LAW ENFORCEMENT CONDUCT COMMISSION FUNDING—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Will you ensure adequate funding to the Law Enforcement Conduct Commission to allow it to perform scrutiny functions concerning the use of the investigative detention powers in Part 2AA of the Terrorism Police Powers Act 2002?

Answer—

The Law Enforcement Conduct Commission (LECC) is expected to perform its statutory obligations whilst operating within its budget.

*8446 BEDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF ANOREXIA NERVOSA—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

How many beds are there available at Liverpool Hospital dedicated to the treatment of anorexia nervosa?

Answer—

Matters relating to the treatment of eating disorders should be referred to the Minister for Mental Health.

*8447 HIGH REACH AERIAL APPLIANCES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

(1) How many high reach aerial appliances are located in the Metropolitan South and Metropolitan West regions?

(a) Which locations are the appliances based?

Answer—

I am advised:

Fire & Rescue NSW has six aerial appliances in the areas specified by the Member. The three appliances located in Metropolitan South are based at Kogarah, Miranda and Wollongong; and the three appliances located in Metropolitan West are based at Huntingwood, Parramatta and Penrith.

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*8449 BANKS HOUSE MAINTENANCE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

(1) What is the maintenance backlog at Banks House (as at 24 May 2018)?

(a) What action is the Government taking to reduce this backlog?

Answer—

Refer to LA Q8530.

*8450 PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES IN THE MAITLAND/DUNGOG CATCHMENT—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) What towns were covered in the Maitland/Dungog catchment of Palliative Care Services in each year from 2011 to 2018 (as at 24 May 2018)?

(2) How many full-time equivalent palliative care physicians were employed by Hunter New England Health in Maitland as at 22 May in each year from 2011 to 2018 (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

The Maitland and Lower Hunter Palliative Care Service provides services to towns in the Maitland and Dungog Local Government Areas.

I am advised that the current palliative care staffing at Maitland is working well.

*8451 NATIONAL HEALTH REFORM AGREEMENT—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) What specific processes and measures has NSW Health put in place to ensure referrals made by state hospitals to private specialist outpatient services which cannot be accessed at the hospital conform to the National Health Reform Agreement?

(2) What mechanisms are in place to ensure providers are fully informing patients of available publicly

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funded outpatient services prior to the patient opting for private services?

Answer—

The National Health Reform Agreement does not deal with referrals to private medical specialists.

Patient transfers in NSW Health facilities are made according to the NSW Health Fees Procedure Manual.

*8452 STAFF AT CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL AND KURRI KURRI HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) What number of allocated positions is filled at the Cessnock District Hospital as at 15 May 2018?

- (a) How many allocated positions are currently unfilled?
- (b) How many allocated positions is the Health District currently recruiting staffing for?
- (c) How many allocated positions is the Health District not seeking to fill?
- (d) How many positions are:
 - (i) Full time;
 - (ii) Part time;
 - (iii) Casual?
- (e) As at 15 May 2016, how many positions were:
 - (i) Full time;
 - (ii) Part time;
 - (iii) Casual?

(2) What number of allocated positions is filled at Kurri Kurri Hospital as at 15 May 2018?

- (a) How many allocated positions are currently unfilled?
- (b) How many allocated positions is the Health District currently recruiting staffing for?
- (c) How many allocated positions is the Health District not seeking to fill?
- (d) How many positions are:
 - (i) Full time;
 - (ii) Part time;
 - (iii) Casual?
- (e) As at 15 May 2016, how many positions were:
 - (i) Full time;
 - (ii) Part time;
 - (iii) Casual?

Answer—

Local health districts and hospitals vary staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need at any point in time.

*8454 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will the concept designs for the Pacific Highway intersection upgrades at Kahibah Road and Northcott Drive be ready to go on display by late 2018?

Answer—

This is a matter for the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

*8455 TEACHERS AT TAFE NSW—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

What was the total number of full-time equivalent teachers employed by TAFE NSW on 1 April 2011?

Answer—

TAFE NSW provides enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report>.

*8456 FORCED REDUNDANCIES AT TAFE NSW—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What has been the number of forced redundancies of TAFE staff from 1 April 2011 to 1 May 2018?
- (2) What has been the total number of forced redundancies of TAFE teachers from 1 April 2011 to 1 May 2018?

Answer—

Redundancies are managed in accordance with the Government's Managing Excess Employees Directive which was implemented on 1 August 2011 and updated on January 2012.

*8457 DROUGHT COORDINATOR POSITION—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) What are the job description and key performance indicators (KPI) for the newly appointed Drought Coordinator position?
- (2) What is the mandate of this role?
- (3) What is the salary for this position?
- (4) What relevant formal tertiary qualifications does Ms Job possess required to fulfil this role?
- (5) What is the duration of the appointment?
- (6) When will the findings of her work be published?
- (7) Who does the Drought Coordinator report to?

Answer—

(1) The purpose of the drought coordinator role is to lead, coordinate and deliver a range of activities to support the implementation of the NSW Drought Strategy. The role coordinates government services to affected communities and leads industry consultation to effectively target assistance.

Key accountabilities include to:

- Manage and coordinate drought assistance activities and initiatives to implement the NSW Drought Strategy and assist affected communities and industry
- Provide advice to the Director General, Department of Primary Industries (DPI) and the deputy Secretary Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPC) regarding drought related matters and their impacts on New South Wales communities to inform decision making regarding drought relief and assistance
- Monitor the overall situation regarding town and country water supplies; financial and social impacts of drought on rural communities; and the impact on agricultural and primary industries to effectively tailor activities to assist affected industry and communities
- Participate in and represent the Department at the NSW Drought Inter-agency Committee, chair associated working groups and prepare briefs and papers for the Commonwealth Draft Working Group to assist with the coordination of drought assistance activities
- Coordinate the implementation of the Whole-of-Government Drought framework including contributing to cabinet minutes, monitoring commitments and expenditure to ensure commitments are met within identified budget and timeframes
- Work closely with regional community, local government, non-government agencies and industry stakeholders to ensure Drought initiatives are effective, targeted and are received by affected communities
- Represent the Department, as requested by the Director General DPI at strategic, regional and community meetings to provide information and identify issues and community needs to inform executive and committee decision making

(2) The drought coordinator has a key role with regard to planning, implementing, communicating and prioritising activities for the effective implementation of drought initiatives.

The role consults with the Director General, NSW DPI, Deputy Director General, Agriculture, and or the Director NSW Rural Assistance Authority (RAA).

- (3) The role is remunerated at a Clerk Grade 11 / 12 in accordance with the agency's classification guidelines
- (4) There are no essential tertiary qualifications required for the role.
- (5) The duration of the role is open-ended.
- (6) There is no reporting date attached to the role.
- (7) Deputy Director General Agriculture.

*8458 SYDNEY WATER LAND AT BELLAMBI POINT—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Does Sydney Water have any plans for the land they own at Bellambi Point?

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(a) If so, what are these plans?

Answer—

I am advised:

Sydney Water has agreed to transfer the ownership of non-operational land at Bellambi Point to the Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council. To maximise the amount of land that can be transferred, Sydney Water is currently planning the development of a new vehicle access route to its active stormwater treatment plant.

Sydney Water will continue to use the remaining operational land for stormwater treatment purposes.

*8459 OXFORD STREET STRATEGIC REVIEW—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Considering previous responses to LA Q3668 and LA Q 6285, what progress has been made on the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) multi-modal assessment of Oxford Street between Hyde Park and Centennial Park?
- (2) What are the outcomes of the RMS corridor strategy between College Street, Hyde Park and Moore Park Road?
- (3) What data was obtained from the 2016 performance data on all Oxford Street road users?
- (4) When will RMS release details of these studies into the Oxford Street corridor for public review and consultation?
- (5) When will the identified draft study be released for community comment?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to reduce traffic impacts in Oxford Street in order to improve business and pedestrian experience?

Answer—

I am advised:

Roads and Maritime Services is finalising a road Network Plan for Oxford Street, which assesses the current usage patterns and performance of existing road and transport infrastructure, potential future issues and challenges and opportunities along the corridor.

City of Sydney and Woollahra Councils have been consulted and have contributed to the Plan. Roads and Maritime will work with the councils and other stakeholders to discuss the recommendation and opportunities outlined in the Plan.

*8460 COMPOSTABLE PACKAGING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of food packaging options that degrade rapidly and are compostable?
- (2) What review has the Government made of reform in other jurisdictions to support compostable packaging?
- (3) What funding or support does the Government provide to local manufacturers or suppliers of packaging that rapidly degrades, can be composted and does not add to plastic pollution?
- (4) What promotion or community education does the Government provide about packaging that rapidly degrades and can be composted?
- (5) What plans does the Government have to increase the availability and use of packaging that rapidly degrades and can be composted?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (5) On the 27 April 2018, Commonwealth, State and Territory Ministers and the President of the Australian Local Government Association, met at the 7th Meeting of the Environment Ministers (MEM) to set a sustainable path for Australia's recyclable waste. Some of the key resolutions of the meeting included to reduce the amount of waste generated and make it easier for products to be recycled, increase our recycling capacity, increase the demand for recycled products and to update the 2009 Waste Strategy by the end of 2018 to include circular economy principles. More information is available at: <http://www.environment.gov.au/about-us/mem>.

(2) New South Wales has been working with other Australian jurisdictions and will continue to participate in the national process that is exploring approaches to support compostable, recyclable and reusable packaging.

(3) Waste Less, Recycle More provides funding for local manufacturers and suppliers. More information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/recycling-and-reuse/waste-less-recycle-more>.

(4) Grants of up to \$1.3 million are available to local councils under the Waste Less, Recycle More Organics Collections program for infrastructure to introduce new, or expand existing, kerbside collections services for food and garden waste. The funding is available for compostable caddy liners, bins, caddies and community education. More information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/working-together/grants/organics-infrastructure-fund/organics-collections>.

*8461 PYRMONT BRIDGE RESTORATION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What public consultation process will occur before the Government commences restoration works of the heritage Pyrmont Bridge?
- (2) What heritage assessment will occur before restoration works commence?
- (3) Who will undertake this assessment process?
- (4) What involvement will the NSW Heritage Council have in the restoration works?
- (5) What approval process will the restoration works be subject to, such as state significant development application, state significant infrastructure application or self-assessment?

Answer—

- (1) The scope of the Pyrmont Bridge heritage works are for maintenance and restoration purposes, and as such, consultation was undertaken with all relevant stakeholders (including State and Local Government agencies) in accordance with Division 1 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007.
- (2) A Heritage Impact Statement (HIS) 'Pyrmont Bridge Restoration' and a Section 60 Heritage Application was prepared in Oct 2017 and circulated to stakeholders.
- (3) Heritage impacts were independently assessed through the preparation of the HIS. A subsequent Section 60 Heritage Application was approved by Place Management NSW under the delegated authority of the NSW Minister for Heritage.
- (4) The NSW Heritage Council have been notified of the works proceeding under the delegated authority of Place Management NSW and will be formally notified when the works are completed.
- (5) The Pyrmont Bridge works are permissible under State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007. The project was assessed under the provisions of Part 5 of the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. An application under Section 60 of the NSW Heritage Act 1977 was approved by Place Management NSW.

*8462 BOARDING HOUSES REGULATIONS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) For the Sydney metropolitan area, how many notices of cessation of use has the Government received from registered boarding houses since registration began (to 23 May 2018)?
 - (a) Of these, how many were:
 - (i) General boarding houses;
 - (ii) Assisted boarding houses?
- (2) How many residents were living in registered boarding houses that were general boarding houses in each year from 2013 to 2017?
- (3) What action has been taken under the Boarding Houses Act 2012 against registered boarding houses either by the state government or a council in each year from 2013 to 2017?

Answer—

- (1) 53
 - (a) 53.
 - (i) 51.
 - (ii) 2
- (2) There are currently 1,015 residents recorded as living in general boarding houses. Historical data is not available.
- (3) NSW Fair Trading administers the Boarding House Register but has no regulatory jurisdiction over boarding houses. Local councils are responsible for inspecting and enforcing safety and accommodation standards in existing boarding houses and can also impose any relevant fines. Fair Trading does not hold any information on action taken by local councils in respect of a boarding house.

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*8463 GOVCONNECT—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many jobs have been outsourced outside of Australia by GovConnect (as at 24 May 2018)?
 - (a) Which countries are being used for this outsourced work?
 - (i) How many employees are engaged in each of these countries?
- (2) How many jobs have been outsourced outside of Australia by the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation since the financial year 2011-12 (as at 24 May 2018)?
 - (a) Which countries are being used for this outsourced work?
 - (i) How many employees are engaged in each of these countries?

Answer—

- (1) (a) As at 24 May 2018, GovConnect employed staff in New Zealand and India.
 - (i) GovConnect employed 1.7 staff in New Zealand and 109.3 staff in India.
- (2) GovConnect is the only provider that the Department has outsourced work to that maintains a workforce outside of Australia.
 - (a) As at 24 May 2018, GovConnect employed staff in New Zealand and India.
 - (i) GovConnect employed 1.7 staff in New Zealand and 109.3 staff in India.

*8464 QUARANTINED WARD AT KURRI KURRI HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) When was management initially advised of the scabies outbreak at Kurri Kurri Hospital?
- (2) What was the period of time between the initial notification being reported to management and the decision to quarantine the affected ward?
- (3) What procedures were management required to implement to place the ward into quarantine?
- (4) How many staff have been diagnosed with scabies?
 - (a) Were they advised to take sick leave until the symptoms have minimised?
- (5) Have there been similar outbreaks in Hunter New England health facilities in 2018?

Answer—

In May 2018, Kurri Kurri District Hospital management was advised some people within the Hospital had contracted scabies, and the ward was closed and thoroughly cleaned and decontaminated.

The ward closure and decontamination, and patient isolation, were managed in line with local policy from the Hunter New England Local Health District and in close consultation with the District's Infection Prevention and Control Unit.

There has been no similar outbreaks in Hunter New England health facilities in 2018.

*8465 RIDESHARING SERVICES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Does the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation (DFSI) include ridesharing services as a transport option for public servants?
- (2) Can public servants claim the cost of these service from DFSI?
- (3) Is a record or database maintained which outlines each public servant who uses this transport option and how much they have claimed for each trip?
- (4) What trips can be claimed by public servants (i.e. place of residence to workplace)?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) There is no specific data base maintained for ride sharing. All travel expense costs can be tracked by financial management systems. Travel expense claims by employees are recorded in the expense management system with copies of invoices.
- (4) Public servants can claim work related travel expenses. Trips from place of residence to workplace or vice versa are not allowed. Exceptions may be approved by the manager where normal means of transports places the safety of officer at risk.

*8466 OUTCOME OF PENALTY NOTICE REVIEW—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) In each year since 2015 (to 24 May 2018), how many reviews of penalty notices conducted by Revenue NSW have been finalised and the applicant notified:

- (a) Within the internal key performance indicators recommended by management at Revenue NSW Collection Centres (for instance 21 days)?
- (b) Within the timeframe outlined under Section 24E(4) of the Fines Act 1996?
- (c) Between the legislative requirement and 90 days?
- (d) Between 91 days and 180 days?
- (2) What performance management procedures are in place if Section 24E(4) of the Fines Act 1996 is contravened?

Answer—

(1)

Number of Reviews	2015	2016	2017	2018
a: Within 21 days	231095	245061	49076	60929
b: Additional information required - 22 to 56 days	9246	5906	14148	5082
b: No additional information required - 22 to 42 days	37838	20476	223172	49713
c: Within 90 days	2940	1579	2825	634
d: Within 180 days	446	407	424	21
Other	65	73	18	
Grand Total	281630	273502	289663	116379

Processed requests for review where date of request between 1 January 2015 and 24 May 2018

Includes processed requests for review only.

(b) has been split into cases where additional information was or was not requested due to different time periods under Fines Act 1996 24E(4).

In some cases, finalising a review may be delayed due to non-receipt of copy of Penalty Notice ("Part A") from Issuing Authority.

Delays may also occur if second or later requests need to be made for additional information.

(2) There are Quality Assurance and Feedback mechanisms in place to monitor any potential or emerging contraventions that may occur. If an error has been made this will be corrected with the customer.

Any contravention is assessed to determine why it occurred. If it is determined to be human error, the staff member is provided with additional training and coaching. An additional number of activities may be checked as part of the ongoing quality assurance process.

If the quality of responses continue to not meet quality standards then formal performance management processes are applied such as a 'Performance Improvement Plan'. Where this does not help to address the matter, a number of sanctions can be applied such as demotion, termination, a penalty or warning.

If the contravention is determined to be malicious or a potential breach of the code of conduct then the relevant performance management procedures are activated. This is managed by the People and Culture team and could include an investigation of that persons work, systems access, access to customer files and so on. If a breach of the code of conduct is found to have occurred, then the appropriate sanctions will be applied.

*8467 DEFECTS LOGS PROVIDED TO BLACKTOWN CITY COUNCIL—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) Will another reporting system of required maintenance and progress updates relating to state roads be provided to councils in order that they are kept aware of maintenance issues on state roads within their local government areas?

(a) If not, what is the reason for keeping this information confidential?

Answer—

I am advised:

Yes. The information is not confidential and can be provided upon request.

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*8468 BUSINESS CASES FOR RELOCATING POSITIONS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Did your Department prepare a business case for the transfer of 40 Office of Finance and Services jobs and the cutting of 35 jobs from Maitland?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (2) Did any such business case include the economic impact on Maitland's economy?
- (3) Has any such business case been publicly released?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) In April 2016, the former Minister announced details of the planned relocation of 300 plus jobs from DFSI to the Central Coast by the end of 2018. A detailed analysis of the Revenue business was undertaken to determine where the roles should come from and this included 39 roles being relocated from Maitland.

In relation to the reduction of roles in Maitland a Restructure Management Plan (RMP) was consulted with staff and unions which identified business drivers and reasons for the change.

- (2) The impact on Maitland economy was considered. The restructure of the Collections Centre branch will result in a net reduction of 0.57 per cent of the total public sector employees in Maitland.
- (3) The RMP has been consulted with staff and unions and is a departmental record.

*8469 COMMUTER CAR PARKS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Does the Government have any plans to upgrade any commuter car parks at train stations located in the Wollongong electorate?
 - (a) If so, which commuter car parks will be upgraded?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (2) Does the Government have any plans to establish any commuter car parks at train stations located in the Wollongong electorate?
 - (a) If so, which commuter car parks will be established?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (3) What is the process engaged by Transport for NSW in:
 - (a) Upgrading commuter car parks;
 - (b) Establishing commuter car parks?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is currently reviewing its approach to prioritising, locating and funding interchange upgrades and commuter car parks, to ensure these upgrades are provided where they are needed most.

This Government has already delivered approximately 6,000 new spaces since coming to Government as part of the Transport Access Program. This includes car spaces servicing customers from the wider Illawarra Region at Engadine, Oak Flats, Kiama, Wollongong, Thirroul, Shellharbour Junction and Sutherland.

*8470 COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME IN THE ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) How many complaints has the Department received since the introduction of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) in New South Wales (to 24 May 2018) from people with a disability in the electorates of:
 - (a) Heathcote;
 - (b) Keira;
 - (c) Wollongong;
 - (d) Shellharbour;
 - (e) Kiama;
 - (f) South Coast?
- (2) What has been the nature of complaints from people with a disability in (1) (a) to (f)?
 - (a) How has the Department sought to resolve these complaints?

(3) How is the Government monitoring the roll-out of the NDIS in the Illawarra region?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is primarily responsible for receiving and resolving complaints regarding the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). Participants can appeal NDIS decisions to the Commonwealth Administrative Appeals Tribunal. The New South Wales and Commonwealth Ombudsmen also have formal responsibilities for receiving and resolving certain complaints regarding the NDIS.

(3) The Government is closely monitoring the roll-out of the NDIS across New South Wales. This includes tracking NDIS transition and performance data, and participating in extensive regional, statewide and national governance arrangements to identify and resolve issues.

*8471 NOMINATIONS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) How many nominations for the installation of speed cameras have Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) received for the Wollongong local government area from the 'Nominate a Speed Camera Location' on the Service NSW website?

(2) What are the specific locations for the nomination of the installation of speed cameras?

(a) Of these, in which specific locations have speed cameras been installed following nomination?

Answer—

I am advised:

Roads and Maritime Services does not receive nominations for the installation of speed cameras in New South Wales.

*8472 LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICTS GRIEVANCE POLICIES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) How many staff are employed in the Central Coast Local Health District?

(a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(2) How many staff are employed in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District?

(a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(3) How many staff are employed in the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District?

(a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(4) How many staff are employed in the Northern Sydney Local Health District?

(a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(5) How many staff are employed in the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District?

(a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

(b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007

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- (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (6) How many staff are employed in the South Western Sydney Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (7) How many staff are employed in the Sydney Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (8) How many staff are employed in the Western Sydney Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (9) How many staff are employed in the Far West Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (10) How many staff are employed in the Hunter New England Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (11) How many staff are employed in the Mid North Coast Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (12) How many staff are employed in the Murrumbidgee Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (13) How many staff are employed in the Northern NSW Local Health District?
- (a) How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (b) How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (c) How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the

Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?

- (14) How many staff are employed in the Southern NSW Local Health District?
- How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
 - How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
 - How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (15) How many staff are employed in the Western NSW Local Health District?
- How many grievance claims have been made in this district from staff in each year since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
 - How many bullying and harassment claims have been made in this district from staff since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
 - How much has this Local Health District been refunded through hindsight adjustments from the Treasury Managed Fund since 2007 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (16) Does each Local Area Health District have an internal grievance policy they must follow or is there an overarching policy that has been implemented by NSW Health which must be followed?

Answer—

Information relating to the number of full time equivalent staff employed in the New South Wales public health system is in the NSW Health annual report, which is publicly available at <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au>

Each NSW Health organization is responsible for managing issues such as grievances and bullying and harassment and there is no central register for such claims.

The Ministry of Health issued Policy Directive PD16_046 Resolving Workplace Grievances in October 2016. This sets out the overarching policy for the prevention, management and resolution of such issues. The Policy Directive applies to all NSW Health employees, and is available online at <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au>

*8473 ALTERNATIVE SITES FOR PROPOSED CORRECTIONAL FACILITY—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) What other sites have been considered as alternatives for the proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange:
- Within the Shellharbour electorate;
 - Within the Illawarra;
 - Outside the Illawarra?

Answer—

I am advised:

The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a viable location.

*8474 NSW GRAFFITI HOTLINE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Attorney General—

- How many people have contacted the NSW Graffiti Hotline in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2017-18 (as at 23 May 2018)?
- What is the cost to operate this service?

Answer—

I am advised:

For the financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 (as at 23 May 2018) the number of people who contacted the NSW Graffiti Hotline was 590, 484 and 406 respectively.

Law Access, within the Department of Justice, manages the service as part of its wider call centre operations. The amount allocated for the NSW Graffiti Hotline Service is \$2,428 per month.

*8475 FUTURE OF CEMETERY ON PROPOSED CORRECTIONAL FACILITY SITE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

What plans does the Government have regarding the Catholic Cemetery on the site proposed for a corrections facility in Kembla Grange?

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Answer—

The Government recognises that the West Dapto Catholic Cemetery is an important emotional, historical and cultural site. I am advised the project, if approved, would not impact on the cemetery or access to it.

*8476 PRISONER ACCOMMODATION CAPACITY—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

What is the total size or number of beds proposed for the correctional facility in Kembla Grange?

Answer—

The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a suitable location. No final decision has been made at this stage.

*8477 SECURITY LEVEL OF PROPOSED CORRECTIONAL FACILITY AT KEMBLA GRANGE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) What security level is proposed for the corrections facility at Kembla Grange?
- (2) Will there be a works release program in the community at the proposed site?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a suitable location. No final decision has been made at this stage.

*8478 PORT OF NEWCASTLE ANNUAL EARNINGS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) How has the Government replaced the annual earnings from the long term 98 year lease of the Port of Newcastle in 2014 which was used to provide services such as schools and hospitals for the people of New South Wales, considering that the resultant sale proceeds were used to construct non-income generating infrastructure?
 - (a) If no scheme has been developed to replace the lost revenue, what services have been cut/reduced?

Answer—

General government sector revenue in 2014-15 was \$69.1 billion and general government sector revenue is forecast to be \$81.1 billion in 2018-19.

The Government's policy of asset recycling has resulted in a record \$87.2 billion investment in infrastructure over the next four years.

This includes a record \$8 billion investment into hospitals and a record \$6 billion investment into schools. These investments, because of asset recycling, will deliver better services such as new and upgraded schools and hospitals.

*8479 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED CORRECTIONS FACILITY IN KEMBLA GRANGE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

What plans does the Government have in terms of traffic management for the proposed site of a corrections facility in Kembla Grange, and the impact it will have on local road infrastructure?

Answer—

The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a suitable location. A final decision has not been made.

*8480 PROPOSED CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IN KEMBLA GRANGE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

When will a final decision be made regarding the proposal to build a correctional facility at a site in Kembla Grange?

Answer—

The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a suitable location. A decision will be made once investigations are complete.

*8481 FUEL CHECK—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that more than one in five residents of the Wollongong electorate recorded in the 2016 Census that their dwelling did not have an internet connection?
 - (a) Considering that Fuel Check is only available via the app or website, how can these constituents access fuel price information?

Answer—

FuelCheck is designed to provide real-time information about fuel prices at service stations across New South Wales and is accessible on any device connected to the internet, including smartphones, tablets, desktop computers and laptops. By the very nature of real-time information, a means of instantaneous distribution (for example the internet) is required.

In October last year, the Government made FuelCheck more accessible through the release of the FuelCheck app. The app means that motorists with smart phones and an internet connection are able to access real-time fuel prices more conveniently than ever before.

*8482 INCARCERATED PEOPLE FROM WOLLONGONG, SHELLHARBOUR AND KIAMA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) How many people currently incarcerated in New South Wales corrections facilities are from the following local government areas (as at 24 May 2018):
 - (a) Wollongong;
 - (b) Shellharbour;
 - (c) Kiama?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) 365.
- (b) 143.
- (c) 18.

*8483 IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PICTON ROAD—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How much has been spent on the Picton Road since March 2011 (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (2) What specific improvements have been made to the Picton Road since March 2011 (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (3) Has the Government considered any plan to upgrade the Picton Road to dual carriageway?
 - (a) If so, what is the estimated cost of doing so?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (4) How long would it take to start and complete an upgrade in (3)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) Information on the more than \$68 million in State and Commonwealth government funded improvements completed along Picton Road since 2010 is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website

(3) and (4) Roads and Maritime Services and Transport for NSW are continuing to identify short, medium and long term challenges on the state road network.

*8484 ESTIMATED VEHICLE MOVEMENT CALCULATIONS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) Is there a standard calculation that is used when planning residential developments to anticipate estimated vehicle movement as a result of the development?
 - (a) If so, can a copy or link be provided?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question should be referred to Transport for New South Wales/Roads and Maritime Services.

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*8485 EAR NOSE AND THROAT SPECIALIST AT JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What are the current average wait times for referrals being triaged for patients requiring an appointment with an Ear Nose and Throat Specialist at the John Hunter Hospital (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (2) What are the current average wait times for patients requiring an appointment with an Ears Nose and Throat Specialist (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

The average time for an Ear, Nose and Throat referral at John Hunter Hospital to be triaged is five calendar days.

Outpatient appointments are scheduled based on a patient's clinical priority.

*8486 DAVIS OVERPASS - FRANCIS ROAD, ROOTY HILL—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Will the Government commit to reprioritising the widening of the Davis Overpass on Francis Road, Rooty Hill in light of any congestion preventing emergency vehicles from accessing Mount Druitt Hospital?

Answer—

I am advised:

There are no current plans to widen the Francis Road overpass. However, Roads and Maritime Services will continue to monitor traffic flow and the bridge's condition as it considers potential future projects.

*8487 NSW CASELAW WEBSITE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Are there plans to include judgments of the Local and District Courts on the NSW Caselaw website?
- (2) On average, how many judgments from the Local and District Courts are published on the website each month?
- (3) What would the financial implications be on the Justice NSW budget to upload all judgments from the Local and District Courts to the website?
- (4) If members of the community wish to currently access judgments from the Local and District Courts, what process must they undertake to obtain these records?

Answer—

I am advised :

The NSW Caselaw website publishes a selection of judgments and decisions from all New South Wales courts and tribunals administered by the Department of Justice, including a selection of Local Court and District Court judgments.

Individual courts and tribunals select which material to publish on the NSW Caselaw website. The decision to publish a judgment can be at the discretion of individual judicial officers.

Members of the community may contact the relevant court registry to request a judgment.

*8488 UPDATE OF ELECTRONIC GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM ANKLE BRACELETS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) When did the previous update of electronic Global Positioning System (GPS) ankle bracelets occur in New South Wales?
- (2) How many electronic GPS ankle bracelets were upgraded?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) 2016.
- (2) 670, every device available for use across New South Wales.

*8489 ELECTRONIC ANKLE BRACELET TRACKING IN A NETWORK OUTAGE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) During the recent Telstra mobile network blackout, were electronic ankle bracelet communications lost at any stage?

(a) If so, for how many hours was communication lost?

Answer—

I am advised :

(1) No.

*8490 GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM ANKLE BRACELETS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

On how many occasions have electronic Global Positioning System (GPS) ankle bracelets lost communications in each year from 2015 to 2018 (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) An ankle bracelet may lose communication intermittently where there is insufficient mobile signal available.

Tracking data is still stored by the device which is transmitted to the monitoring centre once the device reconnects to the network.

*8491 OFFENDERS ON SUPERVISION ORDERS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

How many offenders on supervision orders in New South Wales were being monitored by electronic bracelets in each year from 2015 to 2018 (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

The number of offenders monitored by electronic bracelets varies almost daily.

*8492 POLLUTION IN MAYFIELD WEST—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

(1) Is the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) investigating pollution levels in Mayfield West?

(a) If so, what has been the outcome of these investigations?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The EPA investigates pollution levels across the state.

(a) It is unclear what investigation is the subject of this question.

*8493 KEOLIS DOWNER INCENTIVE PAYMENTS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Have Keolis Downer received any incentive payments for the transport services they provide in Newcastle (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Patronage Incentive Payment in the Newcastle Integrated Service contract is commercial in confidence.

*8494 HUNTER STREET BUSINESSES MEETING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Premier—

(1) Will you meet with small businesses negatively impacted by the Newcastle Light Rail project on your visit to Newcastle on 25 May?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I refer you to my recent answer on this topic.

*8495 NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL COST VARIATIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What is the total value of cost variations for the Newcastle Light Rail project (as at 24 May 2018)?

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Answer—

I am advised:

The Newcastle Light Rail project is being delivered within budget.

*8496 NEWCASTLE INTERCHANGE COST VARIATIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What was the final cost of the Newcastle Interchange?
- (2) What is the total value of cost variations for this project?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Newcastle Interchange is being delivered within budget.

*8497 HUNTER STREET BUSINESSES LOANS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Will the Government provide low or no interest loans to Newcastle small businesses on Hunter Street negatively impacted by the Newcastle Light Rail project?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer you to my previous response LA Q7895.

*8498 TVET AND EVET STUDENT ENROLMENTS—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What was the total number of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) student enrolments in New South Wales in 2014 and 2015?
- (2) What was the total number of Externally Delivered Vocational Education and Training (EVET) student enrolments in New South Wales in 2014 and 2015?
- (3) What is the current number of EVET student enrolments in New South Wales (as at 23 May 2018)?

Answer—

This question should be redirected to the Minister for Education to respond.

*8499 HEAD TEACHERS AT TAFE NSW—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

What was the total number of Head Teachers employed at TAFE NSW on 1 April 2011?

Answer—

TAFE NSW provides enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report>.

*8500 VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCIES AT TAFE NSW—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What has been the total number of voluntary redundancies of TAFE teachers in each year from 1 April 2011 to 1 May 2018?
- (2) What has been the total number of voluntary redundancies of TAFE staff in each year from 1 April 2011 to 1 May 2018?

Answer—

Redundancies are managed in accordance with the Government's Managing Excess Employees Directive which was implemented on 1 August 2011 and updated on January 2012.

*8501 TEACHERS EMPLOYED BY TAFE NSW—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What is the total number of Band 1 Head Teachers employed currently by TAFE NSW (as at 21 May 2018)?
- (2) What is the total number of Band 2 Head Teachers employed currently by TAFE NSW (as at 21 May 2018)?
- (3) What is the total number of Band 3 Teachers employed currently by TAFE NSW (as at 21 May 2018)?

2018)?

Answer—

TAFE NSW provides enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report>.

*8502 TEACHERS EMPLOYED AT MUSWELLBROOK TAFE—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What was the total number of Head Teachers employed at Muswellbrook TAFE on 1 April 2011?
- (2) What is the total number of Band 1 Teachers currently at Muswellbrook TAFE (as at 21 May 2018)?
- (3) What is the total number of Band 2 Teachers currently at Muswellbrook TAFE (as at 21 May 2018)?

Answer—

(1) to (3) TAFE NSW operates in a competitive environment. Data on enrolment and resourcing are not provided by location. TAFE NSW does however provide enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report>.

*8503 STUDENTS ENROLLED AT SINGLETON TAFE—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

- (1) What was the total number of students enrolled at Singleton TAFE on 1 April 2011?
- (2) What is the total number of students currently enrolled at Singleton TAFE (as at 21 May 2018)?

Answer—

TAFE NSW operates in a competitive environment. Data on enrolment and resourcing are not provided by location. TAFE NSW does however provide enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report>.

*8504 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT TEACHERS AT TAFE NSW—Ms Prue Car asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

What is the current number of full-time equivalent teachers employed by TAFE NSW (as at 21 May 2018)?

Answer—

TAFE NSW provides enrolment and resourcing data as part of its annual reporting which can be found at: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/about-tafensw/annual-report>.

*8505 MIGRANT INTEGRATION PROGRAMS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) What programs does the Government provide or fund to help migrants and refugees integrate fully?
- (2) What help does the Government provide with development of English language proficiency for migrants and refugees?
- (3) What advocacy has the Government carried out with the Commonwealth about settlement support services?
- (4) What further steps will the Government take to improve the integration of migrants and refugees?

Answer—

(1) Professor Peter Shergold AC was appointed Coordinator General of Refugee Resettlement in 2015 to assist the Government to prepare for the arrival of the additional Syrian/Iraqi refugee intake announced by the Commonwealth Government that year. Professor Shergold's appointment has focused on coordinating effort across all levels of government, and the non-government, community, education and corporate sectors to settle refugees successfully in New South Wales.

Following Professor Shergold's appointment, the Government committed over \$146 million across four years, from 2016-17, to ensure the right services and supports are in place to assist new arrivals to settle. The investment targets employment, health, education, legal support, community and youth services.

Examples of the Government's initiatives include:

- A total of \$22 million to deliver the Refugee Employment Support Program (RESP). RESP will support up to 7,000 refugees to find sustainable and suitable employment through an employment triage model.
- An additional \$6.1 million to the South Western Sydney Local Health District focusing on key settlement locations of Fairfield and Liverpool.

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- Legal Aid NSW received a \$4 million investment to support services to newly arrived refugees to ensure they effectively exercise their individual and collective rights under the law and have access to timely, relevant legal info and advice in their own language.
- The Department of Family and Community Services is overseeing a \$1.83 million Refugee Youth Peer Mentoring program which was informed by a refugee youth led participatory design process. The program operates in Western Sydney, the Illawarra and Riverina regions.

(2) The Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) provides up to 510 hours of English language tuition to eligible migrants and humanitarian entrants to help them learn foundation English language and settlement skills. (For more information see <https://www.education.gov.au/adult-migrant-english-program-0>)

The NSW Department of Education provides intensive English language support for refugee students enrolled in pre-schools, primary and high schools.

(3) and (4) New South Wales is a member of the Senior Officials Settlement Outcomes Group (SOSOG), a forum for senior officials from the Commonwealth and States/Territories, as well as representatives from local government, to consult and exchange information on a range of settlement-related issues.

The Government will continue to deliver programs and services that ensure all migrants have the opportunity to successfully settle in New South Wales.

*8507 BUS DRIVER TRAINING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What training does the Government provide or require for bus drivers to address changing pedestrian and cycling behaviours?
- (2) What safety directions apply to bus drivers in:
 - (a) High pedestrian areas;
 - (b) High cycling areas?
- (3) What further action does the Government plan to prevent conflict between bus drivers and vulnerable road users?

Answer—

I am advised :

(1) and (2) This information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services and Centre for Road Safety websites.

(3) This information is available on the Centre for Road Safety website.

*8508 LABOUR PROTECTIONS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) What protections does the Government provide to ensure industrial rights for workers in labour-hire businesses and supply chains?
- (2) How does the Government ensure that contractors and services providers for New South Wales government agencies and projects meet legal industrial obligations?
- (3) What protections does the Government provide to ensure industrial rights for workers in 'gig' economy and online business platforms?
- (4) How does the Government ensure these protections apply in New South Wales government procurement?
- (5) How does the Government ensure that contractors and services providers for New South Wales government agencies and projects using online business platforms meet legal industrial obligations?
- (6) What further steps will the Government take to ensure workers receive their industrial rights in new and emerging work arrangements?

Answer—

- (1) Labour-hire businesses are private sector enterprises and are regulated by the Commonwealth, by means of the Fair Work Act 2009 and other relevant legislation.
- (2) I am advised that this question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property, the Hon Victor Dominello MP.
- (3) Gig economy workers are private sector employees and as such are covered by the Commonwealth Fair Work system.
- (4) I am advised that this question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property, the Hon Victor Dominello MP.
- (5) I am advised that this question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Finance, Services

and Property, the Hon Victor Dominello MP.

- (6) Referral of powers to make industrial relations legislation places limits on the Government's to legislate to protect private sector workers' rights.

*8509 VACANT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the number of residential properties in Sydney vacant for more than six months?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of reports that about half of foreign owners of residential properties leave them vacant?
- (3) What taxation penalties or incentives apply to foreign buyers of residential properties that are left vacant?
- (4) What incentives apply for residential property owners in New South Wales to use or lease them?
- (5) What assessment has the Government made of the Victorian Government's Vacant Residential Properties Tax?
- (6) What assessment has the Government made of financial incentives or penalties to encourage greater use of vacant residential properties?
- (7) What plans does the Government have to encourage use of vacant residential properties?

Answer—

The Government has no plans to consider a vacant property tax.

*8510 FERAL DEER IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the growing numbers of feral deer in the Illawarra?
 - (a) If so, when was the Minister last briefed on the matter by Local Land Services?
- (2) Do current estimated numbers of feral deer in the Illawarra continue to grow annually?
- (3) When did Local Land Services last conduct a cull of feral deer in the Illawarra?
- (4) How many deer were culled in the Illawarra in 2017?
- (5) How many deer have been culled by Local Land Services so far this year in the Illawarra (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (6) What are the target locations in the Illawarra for the culling?

Answer—

(1) I am aware of the significant impact deer pose in the Illawarra.

(a) I receive regular updates on the issue.

(2) Deer numbers are difficult to accurately estimate due to the cryptic nature of the animal. The deer management program uses an 'Index of abundance' to monitor population over time. Surveys were conducted in 2012, 2015 and autumn 2018. The latest data is in the process of being analysed.

(3) to (5) The Northern Illawarra Wild Deer Management Plan (NIWDMP) removed 739 deer from the Illawarra in 2017.

Program activity was suspended on 14 December 2017 in line with the normal practice of suspending activity around holiday times and so a tender process could be carried out for the new Illawarra Wild Deer Management Program.

The new program commenced operations in the first week of June 2018. No deer had been removed up until that time in 2018 while the tender process was being undertaken.

(6) The Illawarra Wild Deer Management Program has expanded the scope of the previous program to cover the whole of the Illawarra.

The governance committee works with South East Local Land Services and other stakeholders to determine safe locations in which the program can operate.

In 2017 the NIWDMP operated on 50 locations on public and private land across northern Illawarra.

*8511 BUSINESS CASE FOR THE MOUNT OUSLEY INTERCHANGE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

When will the business case for the Mount Ousley Interchange project be completed?

Answer—

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I am advised:

Information on the Mount Ousley Interchange is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

- *8512 NEWCASTLE BUSES COMMUNITY CONSULTATION—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What consultation has been conducted by the private operator of Newcastle Buses in regards to the new timetables and routes due to commence in July 2018?

Answer—

I am advised:

Newcastle Transport consulted with the community including disability groups, elderly residents, youth groups, resident action groups and the local business chamber from 30 January 2018 and 23 April 2018, as part of the network review. Refinements to the Newcastle network to address community feedback received since January 2018 will be implemented on 29 July 2018.

- *8513 KOTARA RAILWAY STATION—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

How much money has been spent on Kotara Railway Station to improve customer safety and security since 2015 (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

The platform at Kotara Station has CCTV cameras and an emergency help point, which are capable of being monitored 24/7.

NSW Trainlink works closely with the Police Transport Command to provide information and intelligence for targeted police operations. A network of more 10,000 CCTV cameras are located across the entire rail system, which have the potential to be live-monitored by a 24-hour Security Control Centre. Emergency Help Points are also available on all metropolitan and intercity platforms and are connected to trained staff who can arrange assistance in an emergency. The existing CCTV system across the network is currently in the process of being upgraded to a digital CCTV system which, when complete, will provide higher quality images to the security monitoring facility and law enforcement.

- *8514 NEWCASTLE BUSES PATRONAGE INCENTIVE PAYMENT—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Why was the Patronage Incentive Payment rate redacted from the Newcastle Integrated Services contract?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Patronage Incentive Payment was redacted because it is commercial in confidence.

- *8515 ACCESSIBLE RECREATIONAL FISHING—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

Are there plans to retrofit fishing platforms for wheelchair access in the Charlestown electorate?

Answer—

The Department of Primary Industries (DPI) supports many projects to improve recreational fishing opportunities for the people of New South Wales. Each year recreational fishing facility projects are supported, using funding from the Recreational Fishing Trusts, including fishing platforms.

Guidelines for accessible recreational fishing platforms are published on the DPI website. Generally, where funding grants are provided for recreational fishing facility projects, there is a requirement for these guidelines to be adopted to ensure the needs of people with a disability or limited access are met. Guidelines are met in the design of new platforms or retrofitting of fishing platforms already constructed.

DPI is unaware of any current plans to specifically retrofit fishing platforms for wheelchair access in the Charlestown electorate. However, DPI is currently liaising with Lake Macquarie City Council on new fishing platform opportunities, which will include options to retrofit existing fishing platforms for people with limited access where there is a need.

*8517 REAL ESTATE UNDERQUOTING—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

How many real estate agents have been penalised for underquoting this year (to 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

NSW Fair Trading has issued 43 Penalty Infringement Notices, totalling \$94,600 for underquoting offences from 1 January 2018 to 31 May 2018.

*8518 NEWCASTLE BUSES ROUTE 14—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will the bus 14 route continue to run along Melissa Avenue, Adamstown Heights after the proposed Newcastle bus timetable changes come into effect in July 2018?

Answer—

I am advised :

This information is available on the Newcastle Transport website.

*8519 MAITLAND/DUNGOG PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICE STAFFING—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

When will the Government review the provision of staffing for the Maitland/Dungog Palliative Care Service?

Answer—

The Maitland and Lower Hunter Palliative Care Service is being evaluated. The evaluation team is gathering data and feedback from patients, carers, medical officers and nursing staff.

*8520 RETURN AND EARN SCHEME COMMERCIAL INTERESTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What commercial interests do participating supermarket chains have in the Return and Earn Scheme?
- (2) On how many occasions have consumers been unable to redeem their Return and Earn vouchers for cash at participating stores due to system failures (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Participating supermarkets have a non-exclusive commercial arrangement with TOMRA Cleanaway.
- (2) This is a matter for TOMRA Cleanaway.

*8521 VEHICLE OWNERS IN THE MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) How many registered vehicle owners are there in the Maitland electorate as at 23 May 2018?

- (a) How many have claimed their Compulsory Third Party (CTP) Green Slip refund?
- (b) How many had a refund of less than \$10?

- (2) What was the average refund that vehicle owners received?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) This question should be referred to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property.

*8522 SOFTWARE UPGRADE FOR ELECTRONIC GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM ANKLE BRACELETS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

How often are electronic Global Positioning System (GPS) ankle bracelets upgraded for new software?

Answer—

I am advised:

Software is upgraded when the supplier develops a new version which enhances the operation of the device, or to address an identified issue.

*8523 CONTAINER TERMINALS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Is the Government still committed to the Port of Port Kembla remaining the second container

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terminal in New South Wales?

- (a) If not, why not?
- (2) Will the Government make a submission to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) inquiry into the lease agreement for the Port of Newcastle?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Government's position in relation to containers is reflected in the draft Freight and Ports Plan which is available on the Future Transport Website.
- (2) The Government has provided information to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) about the ports long term lease transactions, and is working co-operatively with the ACCC.

*8524 EXPANSION OF THE BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL CARPARK—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What options has the Government identified to expand the carpark at Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital?
- (a) How many were identified?
- (b) What is the costing of each option?

Answer—

To address the need for additional parking, Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital is encouraging the use of the Punchbowl on Demand (POD) shuttle bus service, and provides parking offsite to patients and staff who utilise the service.

*8525 SHARING OF FUNDING FOR MENTAL HEALTH UNITS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

How much of the \$20 million to be shared among mental health units in New South Wales will be used to upgrade Banks House?

Answer—

In June 2018 the Ministry of Health will invite all local health districts and specialty health networks that manage acute mental health units to submit proposals for projects to improve the therapeutic environment of acute mental health units. Projects and the amount of funding to be allocated to each project will be determined through an assessment process in partnership with the peak mental health consumer and carer organisations.

*8527 EASY ACCESS LIFT FOR YAGOONA RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Have options been identified for the installation of an easy access lift at Yagoona Railway Station?
- (a) If yes, what was the costing of each option?
- (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has invested over \$1 billion in the Transport Access Program since March 2011, with more than 450 projects either completed or underway across the state. This includes accessibility upgrades, commuter car parks and transport interchanges.

Stations across the network are assessed to see which ones are delivered under this program. This assessment process uses evidence-based criteria, including current and future patronage. It takes into account the needs and demographics of customers who use the station. It also considers the location of important services, such as hospitals or schools and the accessibility of other transport interchanges. An easy access lift at Yagoona Station will be considered as part of this process.

*8528 EASY ACCESS LIFT FOR CHESTER HILL RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Have options been identified for the installation of an easy access lift at Chester Hill Railway Station?
- (a) If yes, what was the costing of each option?

(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has invested over \$1 billion in the Transport Access Program since March 2011, with more than 450 projects either completed or underway across the state. This includes accessibility upgrades, commuter car parks and transport interchanges.

Stations across the network are assessed to see which ones are delivered under this program. This assessment process uses evidence-based criteria, including current and future patronage. It takes into account the needs and demographics of customers who use the station. It also considers the location of important services, such as hospitals or schools and the accessibility of other transport interchanges. An easy access lift at Chester Hill Station will be considered as part of this process.

*8529 EASY ACCESS LIFT FOR BIRRONG RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) Have options been identified for the installation of an easy access lift at Birrong Railway Station?

(a) If yes, what was the costing of each option?

(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has invested over \$1 billion in the Transport Access Program since March 2011, with more than 450 projects either completed or underway across the state. This includes accessibility upgrades, commuter car parks and transport interchanges.

Stations across the network are assessed to see which ones are delivered under this program. This assessment process uses evidence-based criteria, including current and future patronage. It takes into account the needs and demographics of customers who use the station. It also considers the location of important services, such as hospitals or schools and the accessibility of other transport interchanges. An easy access lift at Birrong Station will be considered as part of this process.

*8530 UPGRADES TO BANKS HOUSE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

(1) Has the Government committed to upgrades to Banks House?

(a) If yes, what upgrades will be completed?

(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Minor refurbishment of the observation area in Banks House has been recently completed. In addition, ongoing works to improve the unit's therapeutic environment, including painting and upgrades to furniture in the remaining areas of the unit, are currently being progressed.

*8531 ILLAWARRA REINTEGRATION CENTRE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

(1) Will the proposed corrections facility at Kembla Grange incorporate the facilities and services at the Illawarra Reintegration Centre in Unanderra?

(2) Will the Illawarra Reintegration Centre at Unanderra be closed if the proposed corrections facility at Kembla Grange is approved and is constructed?

Answer—

I am advised :

(1) The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is suitable.

(2) There are no current plans to close the Illawarra Reintegration Centre.

*8532 DRUG AND ALCOHOL TRIAGE AND REFERRAL SERVICES—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What are the current average wait times for people attempting to access Drug and Alcohol Triage and Referral Services (as at 24 May 2018)?

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Answer—

Local health districts have a centralised alcohol and other drug telephone intake line, which appoints patients based on clinical priority and patient need.

*8533 BUS SERVICE ROUTES IN THE CUMBERLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How many different bus service routes were operational throughout the Cumberland local government area for each year from 2011 to date (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (2) How many buses were operating along each route for each year from 2011 to date (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (3) How many bus stops were operating for each year from 2011 to date (as at 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question proceeds on a false premise. Cumberland Council was only formed on 12 May 2016.

There were 43 regular, school and NightRide bus services operating throughout the Cumberland Local Government Area from May 2016 to date (as at 24 May 2018).

The number of buses operating each year from May 2016 to date (as at 24 May 2018) were:

- 2018 to date: 306,927
- 2017: 759,684
- 2016: 741,284

The number of operational bus stops for each year May 2016 to date (24 May 2018) were:

- 2018 to date: 1,380
- 2017: 1,386
- 2016: 1,385

*8534 FLOOD MANAGEMENT FOR THE PROPOSED CORRECTIONS FACILITY SITE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

What plans does the Government have in terms of flood management for the proposed site of a corrections facility in Kembla Grange considering it's located on a well-known floodplain?

Answer—

I am advised:

The preliminary investigation will look at environmental factors to determine whether the proposed site is suitable for a correctional facility. If found suitable, any future planning process would consider the proposed facility's size and design, and any environmental issues such as flooding.

*8535 RUNNING OF THE PROPOSED CORRECTIONAL FACILITY IN KEMBLA GRANGE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

Will the corrections facility proposed for Kembla Grange be publicly or privately run?

Answer—

The proposed correctional facility at Kembla Grange is in the early stages of preliminary investigation to determine whether the site is a suitable location. A final decision has not been made at this time.

*8536 SELECTION CRITERIA FOR A NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITY—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) What selection criteria are used when choosing a site for a new correctional facility?
- (2) What was the selection criteria used when choosing the site proposed at Kembla Grange?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Site selection criteria for new correctional facilities considers a range of factors including size, location and proximity to infrastructure.
- (2) The Kembla Grange site was chosen for further investigation based on its size, proximity to major roads and other amenities, as well as available workforce.

*8537 COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY GRANTS PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Which local community road safety initiatives have been funded in the former Holroyd City Council area and their successors through the Community Road Safety Grants Program since 2015 (to 24 May 2018)?
- (2) Which local community road safety initiatives have been funded in the Parramatta City Council area and their successors through the Community Road Safety Grants Program since 2015 (to 24 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No grant applications were received specifically for the former Holroyd City Council area.
- (2) Three.
 - Passion of Welfare Inc Association (Develop and increase awareness of road safety in South Asian community)
 - Kidsafe NSW (Keeping our kids safe on the roads: focusing on culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities)
 - Passion of Welfare Inc Association (Increase Awareness of Road Safety in Indian/Pakistani Community)

*8539 IMPROVEMENTS TO APPIN ROAD—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How much has been spent on the Appin Road since March 2011 (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (2) What specific improvements have been made to the Appin Road since March 2011 (as at 24 May 2018)?
- (3) Has the Government considered any plan to upgrade the Appin Road to dual carriageway?
 - (a) If so, what is the estimated cost of doing so?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (4) How long would it take to start and complete an upgrade in (3)?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Information about the more than \$20 million invested by the Government along Appin Road since 2011 is publically available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.
- (3) and (4) Yes. Options are being investigated to deliver four lanes on Appin Road as dual carriageway between Mount Gilead and Ambarvale.

*8540 NURSE TO PATIENT RATIOS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Are Hunter patients missing out on thousands of hours of nursing care due to understaffing in the region's hospitals?
 - (a) If so, what steps is the Minister taking to increase staffing levels in New South Wales hospitals?

Answer—

Hunter New England Local Health District is required to staff hospital wards in accordance with the Public Health System Nurses' and Midwives' (State) Award.

Between 2011 and 2017, the NSW Health nursing workforce increased by an extra 6,700 fulltime nurses and midwives for patient care in NSW Health.

In rural and regional areas of NSW Health the nursing workforce added an additional 2,896 fulltime nurses and midwives for smaller health services.

*8541 THE NEWCASTLE STORE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST PROCESS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Was it a precondition of the Expression of Interest (EOI) for the Newcastle Store that the Hunter Street facade be demolished?
- (2) How many responses to the EOI's included retaining the façade?
- (3) How many submissions were received as part of the EOI process?

Answer—

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I am advised:

(1) The Expression of Interest (EOI) process stipulated that a bus interchange be developed on the site, in accordance with Transport for NSW's Newcastle Bus Interchange Review of Environmental Factors (REF). The REF approval was for the demolition of the Newcastle Store to allow for the construction of the bus interchange. Further details about the REF can be found on the Revitalising Newcastle website.

(2) and (3) The details of the response to an EOI is commercial in confidence.

*8542 HUNTER TAFE MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

(1) Is the Minister aware that the position of Multicultural Education Coordinator has been removed from Hunter TAFE?

(2) Is the removal of this position having a negative impact on students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds?

(a) If so, considering the high number of students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds in the Hunter, will the Minister review this decision and reinstate this import position?

(i) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Under the One TAFE reforms, TAFE NSW is investing in more frontline educators to support the needs of students. In the new regional TAFE NSW structure, specialists called TAFE Services Coordinators support students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. These Coordinators are located at every campus including Newcastle and have access to specialist expertise that operates State-wide within TAFE NSW. The former Multicultural Education Coordinator is one of the newly appointed TAFE Services Coordinators.

*8543 NEWCASTLE BUSES PATRONAGE DATA—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Can the Minister explain why he told the Legislative Assembly on 6 March 2018 that patronage on Newcastle Buses had increased since January 2017, yet Opal statistics released by Transport for NSW show that patronage numbers had decreased?

Answer—

I am advised:

Opal data released by Transport for NSW does not include manual counts recorded by the bus operator which includes: customers boarding without using an Opal card, customers boarding in the Fare Free Zone, school students without a school Opal card and integrated ticketing for major events. The figures mentioned in the Legislative Assembly on 6 March 2018 included this extra manual data.

The need to collate and record non opal data will be eliminated upon the commencement of Opal-enabled Newcastle Light Rail services in 2019.

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*8544 EGLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

Has the Department of Education taken any steps to purchase all or part of a 1.11 hectare lot to the western and southern border of Eglinton Public School, previously identified in the Bathurst Regional Council Development Control Plan (DCP) as being available for school expansion?

Answer—

I am advised that the department is continuing to undertake asset planning for the area and is currently investigating the matter. The department will meet with Bathurst Regional Council and the Eglinton Public School community as part of these investigations.

*8545 COWRA JUSTICE REINVESTMENT RESEARCH PROJECT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

(1) What further progress has been made in the Government's consideration of the Cowra Justice

Reinvestment Research Project?

(2) What further steps will the Government take in relation to this project?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Department of Justice will continue to work with the community to address Aboriginal Justice issues in Cowra.

*8546 COMPLETION OF INTERSECTION WORKS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

When will work at the intersection of Bringelly Road, Camden Valley Way and Cowpasture Road be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information regarding the completion timeline of the work can be found on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*8547 INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CUMBERLAND HIGHWAY AND MERRYLANDS ROAD, GREYSTANES—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) What is the budget for the intersection improvements on Cumberland Highway and Merrylands Road, Greystanes?

(2) When will the project be completed?

(3) How many complaints have been made about construction work as at 5 June 2018?

(4) How has the contractor dealt with the complaints?

(5) How many residents have been offered relocation due to night shifts during construction?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) This information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

(3) As at 5 June 2018, two complaints have been received from one resident.

(4) Yes. The contractor's Senior Communication and Stakeholder Engagement Advisor discussed the complaints directly with the complainant and agreed on a way forward.

(5) None.

*8548 ADDITIONAL POLICE FOR REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Considering that the Police Association of New South Wales has recently identified that there are not enough officers on the ground despite the change from Local Area Commands to Police Districts, will the Government significantly boost the numbers of police across Regional New South Wales to increase police to population ratios?

Answer—

I am advised:

All police positions attached to Police Districts or Police Area Commands are flexible resources available to respond to incidents. These local resources are also supplemented by specialist police who are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to respond to changing community needs, crime patterns and emerging issues.

I have already announced that 100 new police officers will be deployed later this year. In addition to these extra officers, the Government is working with the Commissioner and other key stakeholders to determine how many additional officers are needed, what duty types are required and where they will be based.

As you would be aware, decisions about the deployment of police officers and other resources are ultimately made by the Commissioner, independent of Government.

*8549 MORE POLICE FOR ORANGE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Will consideration be given to providing additional police to the Orange Police Station which has the

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lowest ratio of police per population?

Answer—

I am advised:

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*8550 2017-18 WATER SAFETY FUND COMMUNITY GRANTS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) How many organisations in the Granville electorate applied for the 2017-18 Water Safety Fund Community Grants?
- (2) Which organisations in the Granville electorate were successful in applying for the 2017-18 Water Safety Fund Community Grants?
- (3) What is the total value of grants made to successful organisations?
- (4) When will the Water Safety Fund Community Grants be open for applications for 2018-19?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No organisations in the Granville electorate applied for Water Safety Fund Community Grants in 2017-18.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) A complete list of grant recipients and their projects, including the value of the grants, is available on the Water Safety Fund website at www.watersafety.nsw.gov.au.
- (4) Applications for 2018-19 grants are now open.

*8551 RATE RELIEF FOR HUNTER STREET BUSINESSES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Will the Government provide matching funding for Newcastle City Council's rate relief package?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The rate relief package proposed by The City of Newcastle is still in its draft stages.

The NSW Small Business Commissioner through its relationship with the Hunter Business Chamber and Newcastle Now Business Improvement Association has been engaged to assist small businesses through this period of change in Newcastle. The NSW Small Business Commissioner can be contacted for assistance or advice.

*8552 MENTAL HEALTH—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

- (1) How is progress being monitored in relation to achieving the directions and specific actions outlined in the Living Well strategy?
- (2) When will reports of progress be made public?
- (3) What targets have been set for each indicator?
- (4) What are the plans for the future of the following Schedule 5 hospital sites:
 - (a) Gladesville;
 - (b) Kenmore;
 - (c) Morisset;
 - (d) Macquarie;
 - (e) Cumberland;

(f) Bloomfield?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Progress of the Living Well strategy is monitored through a cross-agency Mental Health Taskforce and the NSW Mental Health Reform Monitoring Framework. The Framework, which tracks the effectiveness of mental health reform and achievement of its objectives, is provided annually to the Social Policy Cabinet Committee. The Government published NSW Mental Health Reform 2014-2024 - 12 months on, which reviewed reforms that had occurred in response to the Living Well strategy, in December 2015. The Ministry of Health is currently working with the Bureau of Health Information to publish a publicly available mental health report in the second quarter of 2019.

(3) Targets set for each Living Well indicator can be found at the NSW Mental Health Commission's 'Indicators at a glance' webpage, available at <https://nswmentalhealthcommission.com.au/indicators-at-a-glance>.

(4) (a) to (f) Mental health services at these hospital sites will align with the Living Well strategy. Any future plans will primarily aim to improve patients' care experience

*8553 BYRON BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

When will the upgrade of the Byron Bay Public School be fully completed?

Answer—

I'm advised by late 2019.

*8554 HOMELESSNESS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

(1) How many people in New South Wales are considered homeless but are not necessarily sleeping rough?

(2) By which criteria does the Government determine homelessness?

Answer—

Information about people experiencing homelessness is published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) using information collected in the Census. Information is published on the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au.

*8555 SPEEDING INFRINGEMENTS ON THOMAS STREET, WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

(1) How many infringements for speeding on Thomas Street, Wallsend have been issued from:

(a) 11 March 2018 to 4 June 2018;

(b) 11 March 2017 to 4 June 2017?

Answer—

I am advised:

There were no infringements issued by police for speeding on Thomas Street, Wallsend in the specified periods.

*8556 ALLOCATION OF POLICE OFFICERS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

With increases to funding for NSW Police officers from July 2018, will Police officers be allocated to Hunter policing districts?

Answer—

I am advised:

All police positions attached to Police Districts or Police Area Commands are flexible resources available to respond to incidents. These local resources are also supplemented by specialist police who are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to respond to changing community needs, crime patterns and emerging issues.

I have already announced that 100 new police officers will be deployed later this year. In addition to these extra officers, the Government is working with the Commissioner and other key stakeholders to

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determine how many additional officers are needed, what duty types are required and where they will be based.

As you would be aware, decisions about the deployment of police officers and other resources are ultimately made by the Commissioner, independent of Government.

*8557 ROUGH SLEEPERS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

How many people in New South Wales sleep rough on average every night?

Answer—

Information about people experiencing homelessness is published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) using information collected in the Census. Information is published on the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au.

*8558 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

What mental health services are currently funded by the Government in the Wallsend electorate?

Answer—

Mental health services are not provided on the basis of electorate.

*8559 SPEEDING INFRINGEMENTS ON NEWCASTLE ROAD, JESMOND—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

(1) How many infringements for speeding on Newcastle Road, Jesmond have been issued from:

- (a) 11 March 2018 to 4 June 2018;
- (b) 11 March 2017 to 4 June 2017?

Answer—

I am advised:

There was one infringement issued by police for speeding on Newcastle Road, Jesmond in the period 11 March 2018 to 4 June 2018. There were no infringements issued by police for speeding on the same road in the period 11 March 2017 to 4 June 2017.

*8560 SCHOOL BUS SERVICE FOR CANOBOLAS PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will consideration be given to providing a school bus service to transport students from the Orange community to and from the Canobolas Public School, to provide equity of services with school students at other schools in and near Orange?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW will assess the application for school bus service when it is received.

*8561 EXCLUSION FROM THE GREATER SYDNEY SPORTS FACILITY FUND—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) What are the specific reasons for the exclusion of the Newcastle Local Government Area from eligibility under the \$100 million Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund, considering the area has been classified as a metropolitan area by the Government?
- (2) Will the Government review the exclusion of the Newcastle Local Government Area from the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

The Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund is part of the Government's \$290 million Open Spaces and Greening Sydney initiative which will provide funding to enhance open space, parks, sporting fields and playgrounds in Greater Sydney.

The Fund has been designed to address the sport facility needs of communities across the 33 Greater Sydney local government areas. The Fund supports the work of the Greater Sydney Commission in planning for liveable communities in the five Greater Sydney Districts.

Sporting groups in the Newcastle local government area are eligible to apply for funding under a number of grant programs including the Local Sport Grant Program, Community Building Partnership Program and Liquor and Gaming's Infrastructure Grants.

*8562 SPEEDING INFRINGEMENTS ON GRIFFITHS ROAD, LAMBTON—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

(1) How many infringements for speeding on Griffiths Road, Lambton have been issued from:

- (a) 11 March 2018 to 4 June 2018;
- (b) 11 March 2017 to 4 June 2017?

Answer—

I am advised:

There was one infringement issued by police for speeding on Griffiths Road, Lambton in the period 11 March 2018 to 4 June 2018. There were no infringements issued by police for speeding on the same road in the period 11 March 2017 to 4 June 2017.

*8563 POLICE LEVELS IN WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Considering the latest NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) statistics show that the level of stealing from motor vehicle incidents are three times higher than the State average, what is being done to ensure Wallsend has appropriate levels of Police to deal with the ongoing increase in crime in Wallsend?

Answer—

I am advised:

All police positions attached to Police Districts or Police Area Commands are flexible resources available to respond to incidents. These local resources are also supplemented by specialist police who are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to respond to changing community needs, crime patterns and emerging issues.

I have already announced that 100 new police officers will be deployed later this year. In addition to these extra officers, the Government is working with the Commissioner and other key stakeholders to determine how many additional officers are needed, what duty types are required and where they will be based.

As you would be aware, decisions about the deployment of police officers and other resources are ultimately made by the Commissioner, independent of Government.

*8564 MINIMUM AGE OF CRIMINAL RESPONSIBILITY—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

What is your response to the letter by the Human Rights Law Centre and five other organisations in May 2018 concerning the minimum age of criminal responsibility?

Answer—

I am advised:

I responded to the organisations on 18 May 2018 indicating that submissions relating to the minimum age of criminal responsibility were being considered by the Legislative Assembly's Committee on Law and Safety as part of the inquiry into the adequacy of youth diversionary programs in New South Wales. The Government will consider any recommendations made following the completion of this inquiry.

*8565 DEATH OF MARK HAINES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) What current inquiries are NSW Police conducting into the death of Mark Haines at Tamworth in 1988?
- (2) When will such inquiries be complete?

Answer—

I am advised:

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There is an ongoing police investigation into the death of Mark Haines, involving officers of the Oxley Police District under Strike Force Puno, with consultation from the Homicide Squad. I cannot provide specific details of an ongoing investigation.

*8566 CHILDREN'S CHAMPIONS/WITNESS INTERMEDIARIES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) How many Children's Champions (also known as Witness Intermediaries) have been approved in New South Wales?
- (2) How many cases have Children's Champions (also known as Witness Intermediaries) been involved in since their introduction in this State?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 31 May 2018, there were 41 accredited Children's Champions (also known as Witness Intermediaries) appointed to the panel in New South Wales.

Since the commencement of Child Sexual Offence Evidence Pilot on 31 March 2016 up until 31 May 2018, Children's Champions (also known as Witness Intermediaries) have been involved in 1,633 cases.

*8567 MANDATORY ANTI-LIBIDINAL TREATMENT AS A SENTENCING OPTION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Has a taskforce made up of victims groups, justice, health and police officials been established to examine mandatory anti-libidinal treatment as a sentencing option?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) Who are the members of the Taskforce;
 - (ii) How often and when has the Taskforce met;
 - (iii) Has the Taskforce prepared a report, and if so, where is it available?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The taskforce was established in 2015 and included representatives from Corrective Services NSW; Department of Premier and Cabinet; Justice Health and Forensic Mental Health Network; NSW Health; NSW Police Force; Legal Aid NSW; Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions; Public Defenders Office; NSW Bar Association; Law Society of NSW; as well as victims' representatives from Victims of Crime Assistance League; Survivors and Mates Support Network; Homicide Victims' Support Group; Adults Surviving Child Abuse and Enough is Enough Anti Violence Movement Inc.

The Government considered the resulting report. On 20 November 2017 a new provision in the Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999 commenced to require health service providers to inform a community corrections officer whether a parolee is attending or receiving a service required under parole conditions; like psychiatric, anti-libidinal or drug treatment.

*8568 YASS LOCAL COURT REGISTRY OPENING HOURS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Why were the opening hours of the Yass Local Court Registry reduced?
 - (a) What financial saving results from this reduction?
- (2) What further reductions are planned?
- (3) What consultation with the community occurred before the reduction was announced?

Answer—

I am advised:

Opening hours of local court registries are administered by the Department of Justice and are reviewed on a regular basis to match demand.

Court users may also access some local court case management services using the NSW Online Registry, which allows court users to file court documents and monitor existing cases.

The Yass Local Court Registry opening hours were reduced gradually over a two year period following a reduction in demand for face to face registry services.

Stakeholders were consulted through court user forums in March and December 2016.

No further reductions are planned.

*8569 TESTING ON THE SITE OF THE LIVERPOOL FIRE STATION ON ANZAC ROAD, MOOREBANK—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) What testing has been performed on the site of the Liverpool Fire Station on Anzac Road, Moorebank to determine levels of contamination?
 - (a) What other areas were subject to this testing?
 - (b) What were the results of the testing?
 - (c) When will the results of the testing be publicly available?

Answer—

I am advised:

Testing at Liverpool fire station is being conducted by the Department of Defence as part of its broader investigations in the Holsworthy area as a result of actions on military land in that area. Questions regarding this testing should therefore be directed to the Commonwealth Department of Defence.

*8570 TOLL RELIEF PROGRAM—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many motorists are estimated to be eligible to apply for free vehicle registration through the Toll Relief program?
- (2) How many eligible motorists will have free vehicle registration on 1 July 2018?
- (3) How many eligible motorists with free vehicle registration on 1 July 2018 live in each electorate in the Greater Metropolitan Region?
- (4) What is the expected cost of the Toll Relief program in its first year of operation?
- (5) How many motorists have claimed free registration as at 5 June 2018?
- (6) How many applications for free registration have been declined as at 5 June 2018?

Answer—

The Government is reducing the cost of living for frequent toll users with the introduction of Toll Relief.

Frequent toll users that spend more than \$1,300 a year, whilst driving a privately registered vehicle in New South Wales, on New South Wales toll roads, will receive free vehicle registration.

Around 100,000 New South Wales motorists will be eligible to receive free vehicle registration through the Toll Relief program when it launches 1 July 2018.

Toll Relief provides savings of up to \$715 (if you have a four wheel drive) or \$127 (if you have a motorcycle).

The Service NSW website lists all eligibility requirements to receive one free 12 month registration for a car, utility vehicle, 4WD or motorcycle that is for private use.

*8571 CHANGES FOLLOWING COURT RULING—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

What changes in procedure or assessment of applications will be made by the New South Wales Crime Commission following the judgement on 10 May 2018 in the case of New South Wales Crime Commission v Jean Marco [2018] NSWSC 647?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Crime Commission does not currently propose to make any changes in procedure or assessment in relation to applications made under the Criminal Assets Recovery Act 1990.

*8572 ROAD TRAFFIC NOISE LEVEL STANDARD—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

What options are available for residents where road traffic noise levels breach the acceptable road traffic noise level standard for people living in residential areas in New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information on the noise abatement program for residents can be found on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

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*8573 ACTION TO PROTECT THE COASTAL CYPRESS—Ms Tamara Smith asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

Will action be taken under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 to ensure protection of the Endangered Ecological Community Coastal Cypress listed in Part 1 of Schedule 2 and located at the Terrace Holiday Park, Brunswick Heads located on Crown land?

Answer—

I am advised The Office of Environment and Heritage is considering the development of a Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) project for the Coastal Cypress Pine Forest.

*8574 PROGRAMS TO PROTECT THE COASTAL CYPRESS—Ms Tamara Smith asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

(1) Is the Minister aware that currently there is no other program operating under the Saving Our Species program for the protection of the Coastal Cypress (*callitris columellaris*) Endangered Ecological Community?

(a) Is support being given to the protection of this significant Endangered Ecological Community located at the Terrace Holiday Park, Brunswick Heads located on Crown land?

(i) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised that The Office of Environment and Heritage is currently investigating the development of a Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) project for the Coastal Cypress Pine Forest.

*8575 COMPLIANCE WITH THE E-BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION ACT 2016—Ms Tamara Smith asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

Does the State have a responsibility to comply with the e-Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 to ensure protection of the Endangered Ecological Community (EEC) Coastal Cypress listed in Part 1 of Schedule 2 and located at the Terrace Reserve Holiday Park, Brunswick Heads located on Crown Land, and ensure that the current future and commercial uses of the Crown lands does not endanger the EEC?

Answer—

Reflections Holiday Parks is the manager of the Terrace Reserve Holiday Park and therefore has the responsibility to ensure its actions and activities comply with the Biodiversity Conversation Act 2016.

*8576 PROTECTION AND ONGOING MANAGEMENT OF THE COASTAL CYPRESS—Ms Tamara Smith asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

Will funding be allocated from the Saving Our Species program to ensure protection and ongoing management of the Endangered Ecological Coastal Cypress listed in Part 1 of Schedule 2 and located at the Terrace Holiday Park, Brunswick Heads located on Crown land?

Answer—

I am advised that The Office of Environment and Heritage is currently investigating the development of a Threatened Ecological Community (TEC) project for the Coastal Cypress Pine Forest.

*8577 MRI MACHINE USAGE AT MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What was the utilisation rate for the magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machine at the Mount Druitt Hospital from 1 December 2017 to 31 May 2018?

Answer—

From 1 December 2017 to 31 May 2018, a total of 864 MRI (magnetic resonance imaging) examinations were conducted at Mount Druitt Hospital.

*8578 SYDNEY WATER'S 2017-18 STATEMENT OF CORPORATE INTENT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

(1) Considering Sydney Water's enterprise value is \$2.2 billion over last year's calculation of \$11.7 billion, what return of capital to the shareholder has been approved by the Sydney Water board since 2015?

- (2) What return of capital to the shareholder is being considered in future by NSW Treasury?
 (3) What efficiencies are being sought to reduce the cost between 2017-18 and 2021-22 of Sydney Water's capital works program which was valued at \$3.87 billion?

Answer—

- (1) Since 2015, there has been no returns of capital to the shareholders approved by Sydney Water's board.
 (2) NSW Treasury is not currently considering the return of any capital in the future.
 (3) Sydney Water is investing in water, wastewater and stormwater infrastructure to meet the challenges posed by population growth as well as the upgrade and renewal of assets.

As a result of the Government's strong financial management, prudent investment decision making and focus on operational efficiency, there has been a 10 per cent decrease in annual water bills for Sydney Water customers between 2015-16 and 2016-17.

*8579 55 OR OLDER FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROPERTIES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How many tenants of Family and Community Services properties in New South Wales are aged 55 or older?
 (a) How many of these tenants live in the CS3 allocation zone?
 (2) How many tenants of properties managed by the Aboriginal Housing Office in New South Wales are 55 and older?
 (a) How many of these tenants live in the CS3 allocation zone?
 (3) How many tenants of properties managed by community housing providers in New South Wales are 55 and older?
 (a) How many of these tenants live in the CS3 allocation zone?
 (4) What is the current rate of homelessness in New South Wales for people aged 55 or older (as at 5 June 2018)?
 (5) How has this changed over the past ten calendar years (to 6 June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised that information about social housing is available on the Family and Community Services' website at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

Estimates on the number and rate of people experiencing homelessness are published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) using information collected in the Census. These estimates are published on the ABS website at www.abs.gov.au.

*8580 GATES AND FENCING AT TEMPE AND ASHFIELD STATIONS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Will the gate be opened and the fencing removed at Tempe Station at Griffith Street, allowing for residents with impaired mobility, elderly passengers and parents with prams to directly access the station from the street?
 (a) If not, why not?
 (2) Will the fencing at Brown Street, Ashfield be permanently opened to allow commuters to directly access the platform?
 (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised :

- (1) On top of the \$1.2 billion invested since 2011, a further \$882 million will be invested in the Transport Access Program over the forward estimates. This includes \$133 million in 2018-19 to fund accessibility upgrades at stations, create better transport interchanges and build car parks.
 (2) No. Ashfield Station is an accessible station with lift access to all platforms and the concourse. Due to the height of the platform above Brown Street and surrounding infrastructure, it is not feasible to provide an accessible entrance between Brown Street and platform 4 at Ashfield Station.

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*8581 OUT OF HOME CARE/FOSTER CARE SERVICES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What is the number of children currently in out of home care or foster care services in New South Wales?
- (2) How many of the children currently in foster care are housed in homes where the foster carers identify as lesbian gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer and asexual (LGBTIQA) or are in same sex relationships?
- (3) How many government and non-government agencies currently provide foster care services in New South Wales?
 - (a) Who are these agencies?
- (4) How many of the agencies in (3) are able to discriminate against prospective foster carers on the basis of sexual identity?
 - (a) Which agencies discriminate against prospective foster carers?

Answer—

I am advised that information on the number of children in out of home care is available on the Department of Family and Community Services' (FACS) website.

The Permanency Support Program's Funding Deed requires providers to operate within the law, which includes the Anti-Discrimination Act. In recruiting foster carers, service providers are contractually required to select carers on the basis of their competency to care for children and young people. I am advised FACS is not aware of any agency applying for an exemption which would allow them to discriminate.

*8582 UPGRADES UNDER THE TRANSPORT ACCESS PROGRAM—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Why have upgrades at Lewisham and Petersham stations under the Transport Access Program not been approved, despite these stations scoring higher than other stations approved for upgrades on the Department's matrix for deciding priorities?
- (2) Why have upgrades at these stations been deferred when detailed plans were drawn up?
- (3) When will the upgrades at Lewisham and Petersham stations be approved?

Answer—

I am advised:

The matrix you refer to is outdated and does not take into account the latest data.

We take a coordinated, evidence-based approach to station upgrades. Stations are prioritised for upgrades based on a number of factors including current and future patronage, proximity to schools, hospitals and other services, the accessibility of other stations nearby and alignment with other Transport programs.

All projects are subject to practical considerations. A project may be deferred for reasons such as ongoing design discussions with the local council, or a need to redesign the project due to changes near a station that affect access to it.

*8583 PATIENTS NEXT-OF-KIN PROCESSES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

- (1) What is the process by which a person is named as a next-of-kin when a patient is involuntarily admitted to hospital under the Mental Health Act 2007?
- (2) Is the process different if a patient is voluntarily admitted?
- (3) Is it possible for a family member to declare themselves the next-of-kin of a patient who has been voluntarily or involuntarily admitted to hospital?
- (4) What avenues are available for family members to appeal a decision by a patient for them to not be listed as next-of-kin of the patient?

Answer—

(1) to (4) The phrase 'next-of-kin' is not used in the context of mental health in New South Wales.

Part 1 of Chapter 4 of the Mental Health Act 2007 outlines the rights of patients or detained persons and sets out the process for nominating a designated carer and principal care provider.

*8584 NSW KOALA STRATEGY—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Is it correct that 82 per cent of reserves established in the NSW Koala Strategy are already designated Forest Management Zones for the protection of koalas?
- (2) Is it correct that only two per cent of the land set aside as reserves are deemed high-quality koala habitat?
- (3) Is it correct that eight of the 12 sites will continue to allow hunting of feral animals?
- (4) Considering the above, how is the strategy going to protect koalas?

Answer—

I am advised that this information is available at <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/research-and-publications/publications-search/nsw-koala-strategy>.

*8585 CHANGING OF BIRTH MARKER ON IDENTIFICATION—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Why has the requirement for a transgender person to have gender affirmation surgery prior to changing the birth marker on their identification not been removed?
 - (a) Is this reform being considered?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government will continue discussions with interested stakeholders on this matter and hear feedback on the operation of the relevant sections of the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Act 1995.

*8586 SINGLE-USE PLASTIC STRAWS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Considering that over 500 million plastic straws are used daily worldwide, and that straws are one of the top ten items littering our marine environment, what is the Government doing to ban single-use straws?
- (2) Have you met with The Boomerang Alliance, the Last Straw Campaign, or any other organisations in relation to this matter?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Government is combating litter through the 10 cent container deposit scheme, Return and Earn, and the \$30 million Litter Prevention Program.
- (2) The Government receives regular correspondence and meets with environmental groups such as these.

*8587 TRANSPORT STRATEGY FOR PARRAMATTA ROAD—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) When will the Government announce its transport strategy for Parramatta Road?
- (2) Has light rail or Guided Electric Transit Systems been ruled out?
- (3) Why has an announcement of public transport options not been made, despite work on revitalisation projects commencing in the next few months?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government is committed to improving transport for Parramatta Road and is currently investigating options to improve 30 minute access to Greater Parramatta and the Harbour CBD by improving the efficiency and reliability of public transport along this corridor.

*8588 WENTWORTHVILLE PRIORITY PRECINCT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) How many residents have contacted the Department of Planning about the Wentworthville priority precinct since the "drop-in session" on 20 July 2017?
- (2) How is the feedback of residents being addressed?
- (3) Since 20 July 2017 what opportunities have been provided to residents, councils and other stakeholders to participate in planning for the precinct?

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- (4) When will the Minister declare the precinct a Special Contribution Area?
- (5) How will increasing the supply of housing around transport hubs assist in making housing more affordable?
- (6) What studies have been done to reduce congestion on already busy local streets?
- (7) What improvements to local bus services are being considered to ease congestion on already busy local streets?
- (8) What incentives are in place to encourage boarding house developments in the precinct?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Nine residents have contacted the Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) about the Wentworthville Precinct.
- (2) Resident feedback is being considered as part of the precinct planning process.
- (3) A Project Control Group and Project Working Groups have been established, including New South Wales government agencies (including the Greater Sydney Commission, Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services) and representatives from City of Parramatta and Cumberland councils to inform and contribute to planning for the precinct.
- (4) A Special Infrastructure Contributions plan for the Wentworthville Precinct and the draft Wentworthville Precinct Plan will be prepared and exhibited concurrently once complete.
- (5) The precinct planning includes analysis of affordable and key worker housing opportunities and will identify potential implementation mechanisms to ensure a diversity of housing in Wentworthville.
- (6) A Transport and Traffic Study is being undertaken as part of precinct planning. The study will define existing transport challenges and opportunities, identify the required transport infrastructure to support renewal of the area and propose a framework to implement the supporting infrastructure. The Department is working with Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services to undertake this study.
- (7) The transport and traffic and urban design studies being undertaken as part of precinct planning will identify and explore any required changes in the bus network to service the precinct and inform the development of a draft Precinct Plan. The Department is working with Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services on the precinct planning.
- (8) The Department is working with the City of Parramatta and Cumberland councils to deliver a diversity of housing and will develop an approach to boarding houses in the area.

*8589 WESTMEAD PRIORITY PRECINCT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) How many residents have contacted the Department of Planning about the Westmead priority precinct since the "drop-in session" on 20 July 2017?
- (2) How is the feedback of residents being addressed?
- (3) Since 20 July 2017 what opportunities have been provided to residents, councils and other stakeholders to participate in planning for the precinct?
- (4) When will the Minister declare the precinct a Special Contribution Area?
- (5) How will increasing the supply of housing around transport hubs assist in making housing more affordable?
- (6) What studies have been done to reduce congestion on already busy local streets?
- (7) What improvements to local bus services are being considered to ease congestion on already busy local streets?
- (8) What incentives are in place to encourage boarding house developments in the precinct?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Six residents have contacted the Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) about the Westmead Precinct.
- (2) Resident feedback is being considered as part of the precinct planning process.
- (3) A Project Control Group and Project Working Groups have been established, including key stakeholders, New South Wales Government agencies (including the Greater Sydney Commission, Transport for NSW, Roads and Maritime Services and the Western Sydney Local Health District) and representatives from City of Parramatta and Cumberland councils to inform and contribute to planning for the precinct.

- (4) A Special Infrastructure Contributions plan (SIC) is being prepared for Greater Paramatta ,which includes Westmead. Public exhibition of the draft Greater Parramatta SIC is anticipated in mid to late 2018.
- (5) The precinct planning includes analysis of affordable and key worker housing opportunities and will identify potential implementation mechanisms to ensure a diversity of housing in Westmead.
- (6) A Transport and Traffic Study is being undertaken as part of precinct planning. The study will define existing transport challenges and opportunities, identify the required transport infrastructure to support renewal of the area and propose a framework to implement the supporting infrastructure. The Department is working with Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services to undertake this study.
- (7) The transport and traffic and urban design studies being undertaken as part of precinct planning will identify and explore any required changes in the bus network to service the precinct and inform the development of a draft Precinct Plan. The Department is working with Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services on the precinct planning.
- (8) The Department is working with the City of Parramatta and Cumberland councils to deliver a diversity of housing and develop an appropriate approach to boarding houses in the area.

*8590 NSW HOUSING MAINTNENACE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What is the average length of time for Spotless to issue a works order and for the work to be completed?
- (2) What is the average time for tenants to have their maintenance matters resolved, from initial contact call to completion?
- (3) How many enquiries is the MP Maintenance contact line managing on a daily basis?
- (4) What priority is given to Housing maintenance enquiries from Members of Parliament through the MP maintenance line?

Answer—

Information on the Department of Family and Community Services' maintenance program, including response times, is available at www.facs.nsw.gov.au .

I am advised that further information was provided to the Public Account's Committee Inquiry into the Management of NSW Public Housing Maintenance Contracts.

*8591 OVERCROWDING ON THE SOUTH COAST LINE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How is the issue of overcrowding on the South Coast Line being addressed?
- (2) Considering the 3:24 pm service departing from Central Station is grossly overcrowded with passengers forced to stand for over an hour for the duration of their journey, what safety strategies is the Government implementing to ensure passengers arrive at their destination safely?
- (3) What immediate measures is the Government implementing to provide additional carriages to the 3:24 pm service departing Central Station?
 - (a) In none, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

The Future Transport Strategy 2056 sets out projects to be investigated by the Government to improve transport connectivity throughout New South Wales, including on the South Coast.

*8592 WOLLONGONG DENTAL CLINC—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many adults are on the waiting list for dental services at Wollongong Dental Clinic as at 5 June 2018?
- (2) How many dental vouchers have been distributed for the current financial year (as at 6 June 2018)?
- (3) Is there a strategy in place to reduce the number of elderly and pensioner patients waiting for dental services at Wollongong Dental Clinic?
 - (a) If so, what is the strategy being used to reduce the wait list for dental treatment?

Answer—

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Public dental services are provided according to clinical criteria.

Data is regularly updated and can be accessed at www.health.nsw.gov.au.

From 1 July 2017 to 12 June 2018, 8011 vouchers have been issued in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District.

The District is addressing public dental waiting times through a range of strategies, including two new clinics at Nowra and Kiama.

*8593 ADDITIONAL MEDIAN SAFETY BARRIERS ON PICTON ROAD—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Will the Government construct additional median safety barriers on Picton Road to enhance safety?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) When will this work take place;
 - (ii) Where will they be located?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has contributed \$859,000 for safety improvements on Picton Road including the installation of a 372 metre concrete median safety barrier between the two Heavy Vehicle Rest Areas on Picton Road. This work is currently underway in conjunction with the construction of acceleration lanes for heavy vehicles to safely exit the two rest areas.

A wire rope median barrier is planned for a section of Picton Road 7.5km south of Macarthur Drive. The project, funded under the Safer Roads program, is in the development phase and discussions are underway to determine the final scope of works. Construction is due to begin in the 2018-19 financial year.

*8594 SINGLETON BYPASS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) When will construction on the Singleton Bypass commence?
 - (a) When will it be completed?
 - (b) Why has it been delayed?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website. The project has not been delayed. Work has started on survey and geotechnical investigation as well as environmental studies.

*8595 ADDITIONAL SERVICE NSW CENTRE—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Considering the recent announcement that Toronto will get a new Service NSW service centre, in addition to the existing service centre which is within a 17 minute drive of Toronto, will the Government open a Service NSW service centre closer to the Macquarie Fields electorate, considering it can take 30 to 40 minutes by car or more than an hour by public transport to get to the nearest Service NSW centres at Gregory Hills or Liverpool?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

The Macarthur Service Centre at Gregory Hills was chosen to meet high levels of customer demand now and well into the future. It delivers a one-stop shop for residents and businesses from nearby established areas and new growth areas in the Macarthur region. Since opening in November 2015, the Macarthur Service Centre has served around 650,000 customers with average wait times of around six minutes and customer satisfaction is tracking at an impressive 97 per cent. Over time, the Service NSW network will continue to evolve and change in response to customer demand. At this time, there are no plans for additional services in the Macquarie Fields area.

*8596 RETURN AND EARN REFUNDS IN MOUNT DRUITT—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What is the monetary amount refunded by the Return and Earn depositories that are located in Mount Druitt as at 6 June 2018?

(2) What is the total tonnage/weight of the deposits?

Answer—

(1) The Network Operator TOMRA Cleanaway is responsible for the deployment and operation of the scheme.

(2) This information is not collected.

*8597 NURSE TO PATIENT RATIOS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Will the Government consider improving the delivery of health across New South Wales by legislating nurse-to-patient ratios for nurses and midwives throughout all hospitals and aged care facilities?

Answer—

Nurse and midwifery staffing in NSW Health hospitals is provided according to a flexible set of principles and rules set out in the Public Health System Nurses' and Midwives' (State) Award.

The Commonwealth Government is responsible for aged care facilities in New South Wales.

*8598 SUPPORT FOR LANDHOLDERS OF LAND SUBJECT TO CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

Will compensation and support be given the landholders of private land upon which conservation agreements exist to achieve outcomes that are socially, environmentally and economically sustainable?

Answer—

Conservation agreements are voluntary agreements available to private landholders under the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

As part of its land management and biodiversity conservation reforms, the Government is investing \$240 million over the five years to 2020-21, and \$70 million each year thereafter, in a new private land conservation program. This investment supports landholders who choose to enter conservation agreements to conserve and manage biodiversity across New South Wales while also diversifying their incomes.'

The BCT's Business Plan and information about its programs are available at www.bct.nsw.gov.au.

*8599 POLICE TRAINING FACILITIES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Will consideration be given to constructing a training facility within the Orange electorate for police throughout the Western Region which would reduce travel time and minimise police absence from their Stations and Districts?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force is committed to providing training at the NSW Police Academy in Goulburn. However, a number of options are currently under consideration for the flexible delivery of training to police in all regional areas.

*8600 TRIAL OF SOLAR PANELS AT TEMPE AND FORT STREET HIGH SCHOOLS—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

(1) What are the details of the trial of solar panel installations at Tempe High School including the scope, funding method, objectives, consultation process and decision making in selecting this school?

(2) What are the details of the trial of solar panel installations at Fort Street High School including the scope, funding method, objectives, consultation process and decision making in selecting this school?

(3) What is the update on the progress of the installations above and anticipated completion as at 6 June 2018?

Answer—

I'm advised a 50 kilowatt (kW) solar photovoltaic system has been installed at Tempe High School, and a 40 kW solar photovoltaic system has been installed at Fort Street High School.

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Both projects are part of the NSW Department of Education's Resource Efficiency program of works to increase the energy efficiency of New South Wales public schools. The projects were funded by the department's Resource Efficiency allocation and were both completed in 2016.

School communities were consulted on installation works and how the solar panels and LED lighting, also installed as part of the project, would improve the energy efficiency of the school. The schools were selected based on their size and associated energy consumption.

*8601 TRANSPORT ACCESSIBILITY UPGRADES—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What methodology was used to announce the most recent tranche of transport accessibility upgrades?
- (2) What were the reasons behind announcement of transport accessibility upgrades for railway stations that do not have the same level of usage as Punchbowl Railway Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Transport Access Program assessment process uses evidence-based criteria, including current and future patronage. It takes into account the needs and demographics of customers who use the station. It also considers the location of important services, such as hospitals or schools and the accessibility of nearby transport interchanges.
- (2) Punchbowl Station will be upgraded as part of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest project, which you oppose.

*8602 REFUNDS RECEIVED UNDER THE COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY REFUND SCHEME—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What percentage of refunds under the Compulsory Third Party Refund Scheme have been applied for by vehicle owners who are registered in Mount Druitt as at 6 June 2018?

Answer—

As at 6 June 2018, 67 per cent of vehicle owners who are registered in Mount Druitt have applied for refunds under the Compulsory Third Party Refund Scheme.

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*8603 NEWCASTLE BHP PLAQUE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Where is the plaque from the opening of the Newcastle BHP currently located?
- (2) Has the plaque been returned to Property NSW?
- (3) Will the plaque be returned to its original location at the Newcastle BHP site or to another location?
- (4) Will the Minister consider displaying the plaque in the Newcastle Museum?
- (5) Will there be an investigation into the theft of the plaque?

Answer—

- (1) The plaque is currently located in the Victoria Hotel in Hinton
- (2) The plaque is the process of being returned. It has not yet been returned.
- (3) The plaque is an integral part of the heritage value of the BHP Administration Building and it will be returned to that building to preserve that heritage value.
- (4) The plaque is an integral part of the heritage value of in the BHP Administration Building and will be installed at that location only.
- (5) The investigation of the theft has been referred to the Maitland Police.

*8604 STOCKTON BEACH ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the unfolding environmental emergency at Stockton beach?
- (2) Is the Minister aware that the former Stockton tip located on Crown Lands is currently spewing waste into the ocean?
 - (a) If so, why has the Department failed to address this issue?

(3) What action will the Minister take to prevent waste from washing into the ocean at Stockton beach?

Answer—

Stockton Beach has been significantly impacted by coastal erosion in January and again in June 2018.

Freehold land owned by Hunter Water was affected exposing a historic rubbish tip.

A large swell on 2 June 2018 at Stockton beach has exposed more of the old rubbish tip and it is now affecting adjoining Crown land managed under a Reserve Trust by Newcastle City Council.

Up to \$1 million has been set aside for the removal of exposed rubbish on the Crown land site impacted by coastal erosion.

Work will take around two weeks to complete, weather permitting.

The Department is working with the relevant authorities and other adjoining land holders to assist in the management of the site.

*8605 NEWCASTLE PORT NEWCASTLE STEVEDORES CONSORTIUM CONTAINER FEE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

(1) Did the Public Private Partnership Guidelines require there to be a legally enforceable contract between the Government and Newcastle Stevedores Consortium during the term of their negotiation between 2010 and November 2013?

(2) Was the Government required to comply with the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010 in respect of requiring Newcastle Stevedores Consortium to pay the Government's fee for exceeding the Government's cap on containers?

Answer—

(1) I am advised that the negotiation process between Newcastle Port Corporation and Newcastle Stevedores Consortium was not undertaken as a Public Private Partnership and that a contract was not concluded.

(2) Please refer to the responses to questions LA Q4271, LA Q4621 and LC Q4008.

*8606 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION PROPOSED BUS STOPS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) What community consultation is required when a new bus stop is proposed in a residential area?

(a) Is it a requirement that residents and owners of properties immediately adjacent to the proposed bus stop are informed?

(b) What recourse is available to owners and residents if they are negatively impacted by the new bus stop?

Answer—

I am advised :

This information is on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*8607 ELDER ABUSE—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

What progress has the Government made in implementing the recommendations of the General Purpose Standing Committee No. 2's Inquiry into elder abuse in New South Wales?

Answer—

On World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – 15 June 2018, I launched the NSW Elder Abuse Inquiry Progress Report, which provides an update on actions undertaken by the Government and community partners in responding to the General Purpose Standing Committee No. 2's Inquiry into elder abuse. It is available on the Department of Family and Community Services' website at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

*8608 NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP ON THE NATIONAL QUALITY AGENDA—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

(1) Following the Commonwealth Government's \$6.9 million cut to New South Wales' budget from the National Partnership on the National Quality Agenda:

(a) How many staff will be lost from the NSW Department of Education?

(b) How many fewer inspections of early childhood education centres will occur?

(c) How many early childhood education providers will have assessments delayed?

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Answer—

The Government is disappointed with the Commonwealth Government's decision to cease funding to the states and territories under the National Partnership on the National Quality Agenda for Early Childhood Education and Care as at 30 June 2018.

Following this decision, the Government has reallocated funding to ensure that there will be no reduction in regulatory activity, including assessment and ratings visits to services, and no loss of Department of Education staff.

*8609 BARIATRIC SURGERY—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) In New South Wales can a public patient who has been referred for bariatric surgery by their medical practitioner to address significant co-morbidities such as lymphoedema receive these services for free?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so, how do they access the free services?
- (2) How many free bariatric services are carried out in New South Wales hospitals in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2017-18 (as at 7 June 2018)?
- (3) Is this kind of surgery available in public hospitals in other states around Australia?
 - (a) If so, which ones?

Answer—

Patients are considered for metabolic and obesity surgery following assessment and approval from the multidisciplinary team after all non-surgical options have been exhausted.

Individuals requiring assessment of their suitability for metabolic and obesity treatment and/or surgery are referred by general practitioners or medical specialists.

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare reports weight loss surgery in Australia by jurisdiction in the Weight loss surgery in Australia 2014–15: Australian hospital statistics report.

*8610 ROADS MARTIME AND FREIGHT MINISTERIAL CORRESPONDENCE RESPONSE—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What is the average processing time for you to respond to representations from Members of Parliament on behalf of constituents across New South Wales?
- (2) What is the maximum processing time for you to respond to representations from Members of Parliament on behalf of constituents across New South Wales?
- (3) When can I expect a response to my correspondence dated November 2017 about maintenance of the New England Highway in Maitland which I was advised on 22 February 2018 would be responded to within 10 business days?

Answer—

I am advised:

Responses are timely and accurate to ensure you receive the most current information. A response was provided to your office in June 2018.

*8611 PFAS CONTAMINATION TESTING RUTHERFORD—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) In relation to the per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination of Stony, Fishery and Wallis creeks, Rutherford, when was testing for contaminants initially conducted?
- (2) What has been the frequency of testing?
- (3) What are the results from all testing that has been conducted to date (as at 7 June 2018)?
- (4) How and where are those results readily available to the public?
- (5) What has been the scope of testing for PFAS across the three creeks and does it include the Hunter River?
- (6) What signage has the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) put at the creeks to notify casual users of these waterways of any potential risks?

Answer—

I am advised this information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/contaminated-land/pfas-investigation-program/pfas-investigation-sites>.

*8612 PFAS CONTAMINATION IN THE RUTHERFORD CREEKS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What was the source of the per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination in the Rutherford creeks of Stony, Fishery and Wallis creeks?
- (2) Can you confirm that none of the PFAS originated from the Williamstown "Red Zone"?
- (3) Why has it taken two months for the Environment Protection Authority to notify residents and the community of PFAS contamination within the affected areas?
- (4) When was the Government first made aware of potential PFAS contamination;
 - (a) Onsite;
 - (b) In surrounding areas?
- (5) Is the March 2018 inundation the only time that PFAS has been released into waterways around the area?
 - (a) If not:
 - (i) What other releases have occurred?
 - (ii) What action has been taken by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) to address them?
- (6) Why has it taken two years to commence clean-up operations?
- (7) Is the current clean-up operation focus to contain existing PFAS contamination?
- (8) Are there other chemicals on the site?
 - (a) If so, what is being done to clean them up?
- (9) Does the scope of the current clean-up operation allow for remediation of the abandoned site?
- (10) Who is paying for the clean up and remediation?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Environment Protection Authority is investigating the potential sources of the PFAS contamination. The Government first provided advice to local residents and has taken action at the site since February 2016. More information is available at: <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/news/media-releases/2018/epamedia180530>.

*8613 OFFENCES AGAINST PARAMEDICS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How much was spent on advertising and/or raising the awareness of offences against, or the obstruction of, paramedics in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2017-18 (as at 7 June 2018)?
- (2) How much is projected to be spent in the 2018-19 financial year?

Answer—

Since 2014-15, NSW Ambulance developed two highly successful campaigns in-house addressing occupational violence against NSW Ambulance staff.

The 'If You Hurt A Paramedic' campaign sends a strong message that NSW Ambulance has a zero tolerance policy on aggression and violence towards its frontline staff.

The 'No Excuse for Triple Zero (000) Call Taker Abuse' campaign addresses verbal abuse experienced by NSW Ambulance call takers.

NSW Ambulance campaign plans for 2018-19 are in development.

*8614 PFAS CONTAMINATION INFORMATION—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) In relation to the per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination of Stony, Fishery and Wallis creeks, Rutherford, has Local Lands Services been advised on the PFAS contamination?
- (2) Has the Department of Primary Industries been advised on the PFAS contamination?
- (3) What advice has Local Lands Services provided to affected primary producers?
- (4) What advice has the Department of Primary Industries provided to affected primary producers?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Yes.

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- (3) NSW Environment Protection Authority held two community drop-in sessions in Rutherford over Thursday, 7 and Friday, 8 June 2018. A representative from Hunter Local Land Services attended the session, providing an opportunity for community members to ask producer-specific questions and discuss any concerns regarding their farming operations. Hunter Local Lands Services (LLS) will continue to provide support to affected primary producers in the area.
- (4) Representatives from NSW Department of Industry, including Department of Primary Industries (NSW Food Authority), and LLS attended the community drop-in sessions on Thursday, 7 and Friday, 8 June. Members of the community with questions or concerns regarding sale of products from their farms were advised that there were no restrictions on the sale of produce from sites being investigated for PFAS.

*8615 NSW ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AUTHORITY MEDIA RELEASES—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) How often are the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) websites updated?
- (2) How many media releases have been made by the EPA in the last 12 months (to 7 June 2018)?
- (3) How many media releases have been made by the Minister for Environment in the last 12 months (to 7 June 2018)?
- (4) How is this information being made readily available for affected residents if not via EPA?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Continually.

(2) and (3) This information is available on the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) website at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/news> and on the Office of Environment and Heritage website at <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/newsroom>.

(4) The EPA communicates with the public through the media releases, the EPA website, Twitter and program Facebook pages, EPA newsletters, the Environment Line call centre, representations at community consultative committees and public forums, and meetings with interested organisations. EPA also attends targeted events such as the Sydney Home Show, agricultural shows, community drop in sessions and conducts letter box drops and home visits.

*8616 YOUTH BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT UNIT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) Did the Inspector of Custodial Services review the Chisholm Behavioural Management Unit and report on this in 2017?
 - (a) Was this report highly critical of this unit and treatment of young people in detention?
 - (b) Are young people in this unit kept in isolation for 23 hours a day?
 - (c) Do more than 80 per cent of young people in detention have mental illness, disability and/or other limitations on their capacity?
 - (d) What action has the Government taken in response to this report?
 - (e) When was this report submitted?
 - (f) When will the report be submitted to Parliament?
 - (g) When will the Government make it public?
- (2) What further plans does the Government have to ensure proper treatment of young people in detention, including treatment and rehabilitation?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The Inspector of Custodial Services review of behaviour management practices in Juvenile Justice has not yet been tabled in Parliament. Juvenile Justice has cooperated fully with the Inspector and all recommendations will be considered by the Government.

The latest Young People in Custody Health Survey PICS is available at: www.justicehealth.nsw.gov.au/publications/2015YPICHSReportwebreadyversion.PDF

(2) The Government has spent more than \$1 million to train front line youth officers in evidence based custodial practices to help manage risks and challenging behavior.

Twenty-two new caseworkers have been recruited to work in Juvenile Justice centres. The new caseworkers are assisting on improving pre-release planning for young offenders, including stable housing, education and employment, and access to health services when they return to the community.

A Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee has been established to provide input and guidance on best practice in Juvenile Justice. The Committee includes representatives from government and non-government organisations.

Juvenile Justice is also continuing a range of successful programs to help reduce re-offending, including the Youth on Track early intervention scheme for 10 to 17 year olds at risk of long-term involvement in the criminal justice system.

*8617 FORMER PADDINGTON BOWLING CLUB SITE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) What is the current status of the lease for the Paddington Bowling Club site?
- (2) What changes have been made since LA Q5837?
- (3) Are all lease conditions still being met, including payments and maintenance?
- (4) What inspections has the Government carried out to ensure that the site is safe and properly maintained?
- (5) What proposals has the Government considered for future recreation use of the site?
- (6) What plans does the Government have for the future of the former Paddington Bowling Club site?

Answer—

- (1) There is a current lease, and the lessee is complying with the conditions of the lease.
- (2) The lease was approved for transfer from CSK Holdings to Quarry Street Pty Limited on 17 November 2017.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) A site inspection was undertaken by an independent building consultant on 15 September 2017 that acknowledges the building condition for the new lease holder.
- (5) Any future use and development proposals for the site will be considered in accordance with the purpose of the reserve, lease conditions and departmental policies.
- (6) See Answer 1.

*8618 HISTORIC ANTI-GAY AND ANTI-TRANSGENDER VIOLENCE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) What action has the Government taken on the ACON 'In Pursuit of Truth and Justice' report examining historic murders and anti-gay violence?
- (2) What plans does the Government have to act on its recommendations that there be:
 - (a) An independent investigation of police response to these murders;
 - (b) A formal apology;
 - (c) A police taskforce to investigate historical gay hate murders;
 - (d) A dedicated counselling service for survivors and families?
- (3) What action has the Government taken to ensure that police respond properly to homophobic and transphobic violence?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to prevent, investigate and solve anti-gay and anti-trans violence?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force (NSWPF) Strike Force Parabell has reviewed the circumstances of 88 deaths in the period 1976 to 2000 and identified around a third of these as potential bias crimes. The Unsolved Homicide Unit also provided support to the Strike Force and, with 23 of the cases remaining unsolved, will consider the findings in any future re-investigations.

The Strike Force has also made a number of recommendations, which have been accepted by the NSWPF, aimed at improving the police response in this area. These include improvements to officer education, the adoption of a better assessment tool for hate crimes, and expansion of the Gay and Lesbian Liaison Officer (GLLO) Program

*8619 OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE GRANTS SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

- (1) Of the grants of up to \$20,000 offered to Government and non-Government schools across the state and committed to in the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19 to set up out of school hours care (OSHC), how many have been provided to schools within the Shellharbour electorate?

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- (2) To which schools have they been provided?
(a) What was the total amount granted in each case?

Answer—

- (1) The maximum grant amount for the Before and After School Care Fund was increased to \$30,000 since the announcement of the election commitment. Three schools within the Shellharbour electorate have successfully applied to the Before and After School Care Fund.
(a) The Government is investing a record amount in before and after school care. Locations are determined on merit, in consultation with stakeholders. For each of the three schools in the Shellharbour electorate the amount granted was \$30,000.

*8620 LOCAL COURT PENALTY NOTICE APPEALS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Attorney General—

- (1) How many individuals have elected to have a penalty notice they've received decided by the Local Court in each year since 2011 (as at 7 June 2018)?
(a) Of these hearings, how many have resulted in the applicant successfully appealing the penalty notice?
(b) Of these hearings, how many have resulted in the applicant unsuccessfully appealing the penalty notice?
(2) Has the Department of Justice received correspondence from Revenue NSW since 1 January 2017 advising that the number of individuals electing to appeal their penalty notice in the Local Court may increase due to internal restructuring at Revenue NSW?
(a) If so, what is the projected increase in the number of appeals?

Answer—

I am advised:

Questions relating to data on penalty notices should be directed to the Minister for Finance, Services and Property.

The Department of Justice has no record of correspondence being received from Revenue NSW since 1 January 2017 advising that the numbers of individuals electing to appeal their penalty notices in the Local Court may increase due to internal restructuring at Revenue NSW.

*8621 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCE FAULTS OR DAMAGE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) Were there any faults or damage to the Bronto Aerial Appliance when Fire and Rescue NSW procured it from Victoria?
(a) If so, how much was spent to rectify the faults or damages?

Answer—

I am advised:

No.

*8622 CORRECTIONAL CENTRES LITERACY AND NUMERACY COURSES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) Since January 2017, how many inmates enrolled in literacy and numeracy courses across Correctional Centres in New South Wales (as at 7 June 2018)?
(2) Since January 2017, how many inmates successfully completed literacy and numeracy courses across Correctional Centres in New South Wales (as at 7 June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

In 2017, Corrective Services NSW, transitioned to a new inmate education and training service model. As at 30 June 2018, 3,269 inmates were enrolled in literacy and numeracy courses across prisons in New South Wales.

Between 2011-12 and 2017-18 there has been a 20 per cent increase there was completion rates of language, literacy and numeracy programs.

*8623 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCE CREW TRAINING—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) With regards to the Bronto Aerial Appliance that Fire and Rescue NSW recently procured from Victoria, do the men and women who would serve as the crew for this Bronto require any additional specialised training to operate this particular appliance?
- (a) If so, how long will training take?
- (b) If so, how much will it cost to train the crew?

Answer—

I am advised:

The appliance procured from Victoria is very similar to Fire & Rescue NSW's appliances, so there was minimal time taken to perform familiarisation.

*8624 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCE STATIONING AND SERVICE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) With regards to the Bronto Aerial Appliance that Fire and Rescue NSW recently procured from Victoria, where will the Bronto be stationed?
- (2) What areas will it service?
- (3) When did the appliance become operational?

Answer—

I am advised:

As per standard operational practices, Fire and Rescue NSW allocates its fleet to maintain firefighting capability.

*8625 EASY ACCESS UPGRADES FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) In the 2018 round of Easy Access Upgrades to train stations across New South Wales, how much funding has been allocated to the following stations:
- (a) Carramar;
- (b) Canley Vale;
- (c) Yennora;
- (d) Villawood?

Answer—

I am advised

I refer you to the Budget Papers.

*8626 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCE UPGRADE AND REFIT COSTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) What were the costs to upgrade and refit the Bronto Aerial Appliance that Fire and Rescue NSW recently procured from Victoria to bring it up to New South Wales standards?
- (a) What works were completed as a part of this fit out?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) \$4,600.
- (a) Inventory works in accordance with vehicle stowage configuration for a 37 metre ladder platform.

*8627 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCE OWNERSHIP STATUS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) With regards to the Bronto Aerial Appliance that Fire and Rescue NSW recently procured from Victoria, has Fire and Rescue NSW taken ownership of this Bronto or has it been loaned / leased from Victoria?
- (a) If we purchased the Bronto, what was the purchase price and what were the delivery costs?
- (b) If loaned/leased, how much did it cost and how long do we have it for?
- (c) What is the make, model and year of production for this Bronto?

Answer—

I am advised:

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The appliance has been loaned at no cost to Fire & Rescue NSW. Its details are Model F37 HDT, year 2000.

*8628 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

When assessing eligibility for the Taxi Transport Subsidy Scheme (TTSS), does the Department take into account an applicant's ability to access public transport?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is on the Transport for NSW website.

*8629 RETIRED EMPLOYEE GOLD OPAL CARD—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Why is the Retired Employee Gold Opal Card for ex NSW Transport employees not valid on Sydney Airport Link?
- (2) Why did the Government decide not to ensure that the Retired Employee Gold Opal Card was valid on Sydney Airport Link?
- (3) Does the Government have plans to ensure the Retired Employee Gold Opal Card will one day be valid on the Sydney Airport Link?

Answer—

I am advised :

The retired Employee Gold Opal card is valid in accordance with the former employee benefits policy of the Employer. Under that policy, free access to Domestic and International airports is not a former employee benefit.

Retired Employee Gold Opal card holders are provided with the benefit of concessionary gate fare at Domestic and International stations and free access at other Airport Link stations. The concessionary gate fare is paid directly to Airport Link as the rail component of the trip is free for retired Employee Gold Opal card holders.

The government does not have plans to change former employee benefits.

*8630 WEST WALLSEND OFFSET LAND—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Are you aware of the Planning Agreement signed by the former Minister for the Environment in October 2015 concerning the transfer of offset land for a development at West Wallsend?
- (2) Generally, what is the timeline for offset land to be transferred to the Government for inclusion in the reserve system once a Planning Agreement has been signed by the Minister?
- (3) When is it anticipated the transfer of the offsets for the West Wallsend development to the Government will occur?
- (4) What delays have prevented the transfer of the offsets for the West Wallsend development as outlined in the Planning Agreement?
- (5) Since your appointment as the Minister for the Environment, have you received any briefings from the Office of Environment & Heritage concerning the delays that have prevented the transfer of the offsets for the West Wallsend development as outlined in the Planning Agreement?
- (6) Are you aware that Lake Macquarie City Council is considering a development application where the offset land outlined in the Planning Agreement is located?
- (7) Is Lake Macquarie City Council in a position to approve this development application on offset land if it has not yet been transferred to the Government for inclusion in the reserve system?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) to (5) Each offset land transfer is unique and the timing may vary.

(6) and (7) Lake Macquarie City Council is the consent authority for this development.

*8631 PROPOSED FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) Has the Government completed the review of the proposed Fire and Emergency Services Levy?
- (2) When will the transition to the improved Fire and Emergency Services Levy occur?

- (3) What has the review process entailed?
 (4) Have external stakeholders been invited to participate in the review process?
 (a) If so:
 (i) In what ways have they contributed?
 (ii) How have their suggestions and concerns been considered by the Government?

Answer—

The Government deferred the introduction of the Fire and Emergency Services Levy to ensure small to medium businesses do not face an unreasonable burden in their contribution to the State's fire and emergency services.

The Government will work with local government, fire and emergency services, the insurance industry and other stakeholders to find a better a fairer path forward.

Residents and businesses will continue to help fund the fire and emergency services through contributions made as part of insurance premiums.

The Government is committed to protecting consumers. The Emergency Services Levy Insurance Monitor was initially appointed on 8 June 2016 to 31 December 2018 to protect consumers and hold insurers accountable during the transition to the Fire and Emergency Services Levy, and was given appropriate resources to undertake this task.

The Insurance Monitor's term has been extended to June 2020 to ensure a smooth continuation of the Emergency Services Levy.

As part of this role the Insurance Monitor has issued a number of notices requiring insurers to disclose information to policyholders and held a public inquiry. He will retain these powers. In addition the Insurance Monitor will retain the power to fine insurers \$10 million if they are found to have engaged in price exploitation or false or misleading conduct in relation to the restoration of the Emergency Services Levy.

*8632 SOCIAL HOUSING BANKSTOWN ALLOCATION ZONE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) Will the 2018-19 Budget increase funding to the GW09 Bankstown allocation zone to secure additional properties in order to reduce the waiting time for the 2,446 applicants on the general waiting list and the 111 applicants on the priority list who will be waiting five to 10 years for a one bedroom studio flat and 10 years for a two, three or four bedroom property?
 (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am very pleased that the 2018-19 NSW Budget delivers for the Bankstown community to ensure that upgrades and new supply will be available for social housing in the Bankstown electorate.

*8633 SOCIAL HOUSING WAITING LIST—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) Will the 2018-19 Budget include funding to address the rise to 60,000 applicants (equivalent to 100,000 to 150,000 people) on the social housing waiting list?
 (a) If not, why not?
 (b) If yes, how much?
 (2) Will it match the \$2.3 billion expected to be spent on stadiums?

Answer—

I am advised information regarding the Department of Family and Community Services' 2018-19 Budget is available at <https://www.treasury.nsw.gov.au>.

In 2018-19, the Government will allocate \$280.7 million for homelessness initiatives, including \$202.8 million to specialist homelessness services across New South Wales. This represents a 46 per cent increase in funding for specialists homelessness services since 2013-14.

The Government committed more than \$1 billion on homelessness services over the next four years which includes new funding of \$61 million over four years to implement the NSW Homelessness

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Strategy. The Strategy sets out the government's five year plan for a comprehensive approach to prevent and improve the response to homelessness.

I am advised that in the year ahead we will see the continuation of a strong, nation-leading pipeline of new social and affordable housing and support, including:

- \$2.4 billion in capital spending over the four years to 2021-22 for housing and social Infrastructure;
- The ongoing rollout of Communities Plus, including the beginning of stage 1 of the \$2.2 billion Ivanhoe site;
- Continuing Communities Plus procurement in Arncliffe, Telopea, Riverwood and Villawood;
- New dwellings as part of Phase 1 of the Social and Affordable Housing Fund will continue to be delivered across the state (which over the next three years will deliver 2,200 properties);
- The announcement of successful contracts for phase 2 of the Social and Affordable Housing Fund, which is targeting 1,200 dwellings;
- The continuation of the creation of new homes funded by Millers Point sales, which as at May stands at 1,232 homes completed or under construction, with a target of 1,500;
- \$33.1 million in new funding (over four years) for an Aboriginal Housing Strategy;

The Government is also funding:

- \$83.4 million to support Community Housing Providers to head lease properties;
- \$183.4 million on supporting Aboriginal people through housing;
- \$35.7 million for private rent assistance to support young people and households to sustain tenancies.

*8634 SOCIAL HOUSING SPENDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Will the 2018-19 Budget increase social housing capital works funding to make up for the current shortfall outlined by the 2017 Auditor General report on Family and Community Services which found spending on social housing had reached its lowest levels since 2014?

Answer—

I am very pleased that the 2018-19 NSW Budget delivers for the Bankstown community to ensure that upgrades and new supply will be available for social housing in the Bankstown electorate.

*8635 STACEY STREET AND HUME HIGHWAY OVERPASS BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Considering the expected population growth both within and surrounding Bankstown, will the 2018-19 Budget include funding for an overpass at the intersection of Bankstown's Stacey Street and the Hume Highway, which in 2017 an Austroads report labelled as the seventh slowest road in Australia?

Answer—

This question should be addressed to the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

*8636 SOCIAL HOUSING SUPPLY—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) Considering the significant increase in homelessness figures in New South Wales, which the Australian Bureau of Statistics' 2016 Census data showed increased from 28,191 in 2011 to 37,715 in 2016, an increase of 37 per cent, will the 2018-19 Budget significantly increase social housing supply across New South Wales?
- (2) What are the specific locations of all new social housing developments earmarked for the 2018-19 financial year?

Answer—

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 - The continuation of the creation of new homes funded by Millers Point sales, which as at May stands at 1,232 homes completed or under construction, with a target of 1,500;
 - \$33.1 million in new funding (over four years) for an Aboriginal Housing Strategy;
 - \$61 million in new funding for the Homelessness Strategy, including:
 - \$20 million for homelessness social impact investment
 - \$10.6 million for sustaining tenancies support, by addressing complex needs such as mental health and drug and alcohol issues
 - \$9.1 million for additional transitional accommodation
 - \$6.9 million for co-located homeless and health services
 - \$6.2 million to expand Staying Home Leaving Violence program to five new sites
 - \$4.7 million for universal risk screening and supports to respond early to young people at risk
 - \$3.8 million for assertive outreach to proactively support rough sleepers.

The Government is also funding:

- \$83.4 million to support Community Housing Providers to head lease properties;
- \$183.4 million on supporting Aboriginal people through housing;
- \$35.7 million for private rent assistance to support young people and households to sustain tenancies.

*8637 SPECIALIST HOMELESSNESS SERVICES INCREASED DEMAND—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Considering the pressure on specialist homelessness services to meet the increased demands of 74,000 clients in 2016-17 when they were only funded for 59,000, will the 2018-19 Budget include adequate funding to allow for this increased demand?

Answer—

In 2018-19, the Government will allocate \$280.7 million for homelessness initiatives, including \$202.8 million to specialist homelessness services across New South Wales. I am advised that this represents a 46 per cent increase in funding for specialists homeless ness services since 2013-14.

The Government has committed more than \$1 billion for homelessness services over the next four years which includes new funding of \$61 million over four years to implement the NSW Homelessness Strategy. The Strategy sets out the Government's five year plan for a comprehensive approach to prevent and improve the response to homelessness.

*8638 HOMELESSNESS CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Will the 2018-19 Budget increase funding to homelessness services in the Canterbury-Bankstown to address the homelessness increase of 79.6 per cent from 1,305 in 2011 to 2,344 in 2016?

Answer—

In 2018-19, the Government will allocate \$280.7 million for homelessness initiatives, including \$202.8 million to specialist homelessness services across New South Wales. This represents a 46 per cent increase in funding for specialists homelessness services since 2013-14.

The Government committed more than \$1 billion on homelessness services over the next four years which includes new funding of \$61 million over four years to implement the NSW Homelessness Strategy. The Strategy sets out the government's five year plan for a comprehensive approach to prevent and improve the response to homelessness.

The Government continues to invest funding in services in the CanterburyBankstown area which support people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Further information is available at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

*8639 ABOVE AND BEYOND MUSIC FESTIVAL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

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- (1) Is the Minister aware that Police intend to exclude people from the Above and Beyond event on 9 June 2018 whom sniffer dogs indicate are carrying drugs but are then searched and found not to be carrying an illicit substance?
- (2) Will the Minister intervene so that innocent people who are found to not to be carrying an illicit substance are allowed to attend the event they have purchased tickets for?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force (NSWPF) had the support and backing of Sydney Showground, the licensee, and event promoters to refuse entry or turn out of the premises any person in possession of, or suspected of carrying, prohibited drugs at the Above and Beyond event. Some people were refused entry by the licensee, while others were refused entry by NSWPF officers for reasons including intoxication and aggressive behaviour.

The Government and NSWPF is committed to providing a safe environment for all music fans, event staff and performers attending festivals such as Above and Beyond.

*8640 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL DENTAL WAIT TIMES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What is the wait time for dentures in the Hunter New England Local Health District?
 - (a) What is the Minister doing to reduce these wait times?

Answer—

NSW Health publishes the number of patients waiting for dental care according to priority code at the state level on its website at www.health.nsw.gov.au.

Data for local health districts are published for the number of child and adult patients waiting for assessment and treatment.

The Government in 2018-19 funded an extra \$10 million for new public dental activity.

*8641 KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK WILD HORSES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Why does the Minister support the Deputy Premier's proposed legislation to protect feral horses in Kosciuszko National Park?
- (2) Is the Minister aware that wild horses cause significant environmental destruction in the Kosciuszko National Park?

Answer—

The Kosciuszko Wild Horse Heritage Act 2018 provides the appropriate framework to protect the unique environmental values of the national park and the important heritage values of the wild horses.

*8642 NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT PATRONAGE FIGURES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Is the 110 bus service and park and ride service included in the Keolis Downer service contract?
 - (a) If not, has Keolis Downer used the patronage numbers from these separate service contracts to artificially bolster its patronage numbers?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The inference in your question is wrong.

*8643 STOCKTON COASTAL EROSION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Will the Minister meet with the Stockton community to discuss the serious coastal erosion at Stockton Beach?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

The Government has supported the management and rehabilitation of Stockton Beach for many years and

is committed to helping the local community.

The Government has consistently supported Newcastle City Council in the work they are required to do to manage coastal erosion at Stockton Beach, including through the Stockton Coastal Interagency Advisory Committee.

*8644 PORT OF NEWCASTLE CONTAINER FEE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) investigation into the Government's anti-competitive cap on container movements at the Port of Newcastle?
- (2) What is the purpose of the fine charged to the Port of Newcastle for every container shipped over a certain limit?
- (3) Will the Minister immediately remove this anti-competitive government restriction and allow the development of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Minister is aware of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission investigation.
- (2) and (3) I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8026.

*8645 SOCIAL HOUSING PRIORITY TRANSFER REQUESTS MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What was the number of approved priority transfers not finalised in the Maitland electorate as at the following dates:
 - (a) 31 July 2017;
 - (b) 15 January 2018?
- (2) How many of these transfers have been approved as a result of:
 - (a) Overcrowding;
 - (b) Poor condition of property;
 - (c) Domestic or family violence?

Answer—

I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) that information on transfers is available on the FACS website at <https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au>.

*8646 NOISY CAR ALARMS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Who has the authority to disable a noisy car alarm that continues to sound for long periods of time?
 - (a) Are council officers authorised to disable noisy alarms as stated on the Office of Environment and Heritage website?
 - (b) What is being done to ensure that the correct authority is aware that it has these powers?
 - (c) Considering that the Police are not authorised to disable noisy car alarms, what recourse is available if alarms sound outside of business hours?

Answer—

I am advised this information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/-/media/epa/corporate-site/resources/noise/20130127nlg.pdf>

*8647 LIGHT RAIL CONSTRUCTION—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Who is responsible for damage to property caused by the construction of the Surry Hills Light Rail?
- (2) What recourse is available to residents whose homes have been damaged as a result of the construction of the Surry Hills Light Rail?
 - (a) Will Transport for NSW intervene if contractors refuse to take responsibility for damage they have clearly caused?

Answer—

I am advised:

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- (1) Claims are managed by the contractor ALTRAC Light Rail.
- (2) The ALTRAC property team will inspect the property and assess it against a preconstruction report or available), with any issues to be addressed once construction is complete, prior to operation.
 - (a) Disputes brought to the attention of Transport for NSW will be reviewed by the Sydney Light Rail Project Director and a decision made on how best to manage the dispute, which includes referral to the project's independent mediator.

*8648 WESTCONNEX M4 EAST OPERATIONAL NOISE AND VIBRATION REVIEW—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) When will the report of Westconnex M4 East Operational Noise and Vibration Review (ONVR) be made public?
 - (a) When it is made public, where will it be published?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Operational Noise and Vibration Review will be made public once it is approved by the Department of Planning and Environment.
 - (a) On the WestConnex website.

*8649 SUPPORT TO RELOCATE JOBS TO THE CENTRAL COAST—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) How many businesses has the Government supported to relocate to the Central Coast?
- (2) What Central Coast businesses have received job creation incentives from the Government since 2011 in the:
 - (a) Food sector;
 - (b) Agriculture sector;
 - (c) Technology sector;
 - (d) Manufacturing sector?
- (3) What is the nature of these incentives?
- (4) What support is being given to entrepreneurs to establish in New South Wales?

Answer—

(1) Question too broad to provide a specific numerical value.

(2) and (3) 50 received financial and/or non-financial incentives. Business details are commercial in confidence.

Food Sector - 9

Agriculture Sector - 6

Technology Sector - 5

Manufacturing Sector - 30

(4) This information is publicly available.

*8650 ADAMSTOWN LEVEL CROSSING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What is the average number of freight trains that pass through the Adamstown crossing daily?
- (2) What is the average number of passenger trains that pass through the Adamstown crossing daily?
- (3) Do the Bruncker road traffic lights have any impact on the queue for the Adamstown Railway gates?
- (4) Have there been any recent traffic counts taken that may reflect the number of vehicles delayed by closure of the Adamstown railway gates?
- (5) How much waiting time at the Adamstown railway gates could be eliminated by a freight bypass between Fassifern and Hexham?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) 49.

(2) This information is publicly available at www.transportnsw.info.

(3) The Glebe Road and Bruncker Road traffic lights operate independently of the railway crossing.

(4) No.

(5) An estimate of the time savings for road users and the rail freight industry will be developed as part of the future business case for construction of the proposed Lower Hunter Freight Corridor. Further information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

*8651 COST OF REMOVING OR RELOCATING BUS SHELTERS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Has Roads and Maritime Services or any other New South Wales government agency borne any of the cost of physically removing or relocating bus shelters as part of the Government's Bus Priority Infrastructure Program, or has all of this cost been the responsibility of local councils?
- (2) With respect to the most recent round of rationalisations for routes 412, 422, 423, 426 and 428, how many shelters have been removed or relocated or are scheduled to be removed or relocated?
- (3) Is the Government or its agencies paying for these works?
 - (a) If not, what support is the Government providing to councils to remove or relocate these shelters?

Answer—

I am advised :

The Government's Bus Priority Infrastructure Program has offered funding to local councils where a number of bus stops have been removed or relocated to improve bus journey times and reliability. This includes adjustments to existing bus shelters, seats, bins or footpaths.

Information about the Government's Bus Priority Infrastructure Program is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*8652 SYDNEY MOTORWAY CORPORATION PRIVATISATION DEALS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) How advanced are plans to sell 51 per cent of the Sydney Motorway Corporation?
- (2) When is the sale expected to be finalised before the New South Wales State Election in 2019?
- (3) What companies have potential sales been discussed with?
- (4) What information about potential buyers will be made publicly available before sales contracts are finalised?
- (5) Will the Government refuse to provide any financial guarantees or deals in sales contracts that will require future taxpayer commitments such as compensation triggers and the underwriting of toll revenue?
 - (a) If not:
 - (i) Why not?
 - (ii) What guarantees or deals are being considered?
- (6) Will the Government refuse to provide any guarantees or deals in sales contracts for publicly funded road works, upgrades or modifications that are not part of the WestConnex project itself?
 - (a) If not:
 - (i) Why not?
 - (ii) What guarantees or deals are being considered?
- (7) Will the Government refuse to provide any guarantees or commitments in sales contracts that prevent future action that would reduce demand for the WestConnex toll roads such as agreeing not to build public transport or cycling infrastructure?
 - (a) If not:
 - (i) Why not?
 - (ii) What guarantees or deals are being considered?
- (8) What information about sales contracts and deals will be made public before contracts are signed?

Answer—

A 51 per cent stake in Sydney Motorway Corporation, the entity delivering WestConnex, will be sold via a competitive trade sale process. This sale process commenced in September 2017. The transaction is progressing as planned.

Consistent with past transactions, the Government will not speculate on potential participants, sale structure, sale contracts or price in order to maintain competitive tension throughout the transaction.

The Government has a strong track record of delivering excellent results for taxpayers across a wide

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range of asset sales.

The Government expects the sale will deliver another excellent result for the people of New South Wales.

*8653 DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, RESOURCES AND ENERGY IN MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent people were employed in the Department of Industry, Resources and Energy in Maitland on 15 March in each year from 2011 to 2018?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent positions will be removed from the Maitland Office of the Department of Industry, Resources and Energy:
 - (a) By 31 December 2018?
 - (b) By 15 March 2019?

Answer—

There is no Department of Industry, Resources and Energy.

Between 2011 and 2017, Resources and Energy was a division of the Department of Trade & Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services and the Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development.

As a result of Administrative Arrangements (Administrative Changes-Public Service Agencies) Order 2017 the name of the Department of Industry, Skills and Regional Development was changed to the Department of Industry, effective 1 April 2017. With this change, the Resources and Energy division was transferred to the Department of Planning and Environment, reporting to the Minister for Resources and Minister for Energy and Utilities.

I am advised that the Department of Industry currently has 43 staff (41.8 FTE) at the Maitland office.

*8654 RENTAL AFFORDABILITY—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

What is your response to findings that New South Wales is the least affordable state, with over half of all low income renting households under rental stress?

Answer—

The Government has recently announced a series of measures designed to address the challenges faced by low income renter households.

The Greater Sydney Region Plan, announced March 2018, committed to introducing an affordable rental housing target of 5 to 10 per cent that will apply to the density uplift of residential rezoning across Greater Sydney, subject to viability. This ensures that going forward the supply of affordable rental housing will increase in line with overall housing supply growth. Affordable rental housing delivered by the targets will be specifically for low and very low income households, and could provide a pathway out of social housing.

These reforms alongside the Government's introduction of stamp duty exemptions and concessions, are designed to ensure the people of New South Wales are better able to access the housing market either as first home buyers or through improved rental access.

When the Liberals and Nationals came into government in 2011, New South Wales had the lowest number of new dwelling per capita of anywhere in the nation. From 2007 to 2011, building approvals averaged less than 32,000 a year. In 2016-17, the Australian Bureau of Statistics had New South Wales building approvals at over 72,000.

*8655 PLASTICS POLLUTION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What action to prevent plastics pollution has the Government taken in the year since the response to LA Q5946?
- (2) What progress has been made on a national product stewardship scheme?
- (3) What steps has the Government taken to:
 - (a) ban the use of single-use lightweight plastic bags;
 - (b) ban the use of microbeads;
 - (c) ban plastic nurdle packaging;
 - (d) ban the use of plastic straws;
 - (e) ban the use of plastic stirrers, cotton buds and balloon sticks;
 - (f) ban the use of plastic cups, plates and cutlery?

- (4) What action has the Government taken to support the development of sustainable alternatives to plastic packaging?
 (5) What further action will the Government take to prevent plastic pollution?

Answer—

On 27 April 2018, Commonwealth, State and Territory Ministers and the President of the Australian Local Government Association met at the Seventh Meeting of the Environment Ministers (MEM).

More information on the MEM is available at <http://www.environment.gov.au/about-us/mem>.

*8656 ELECTRICITY OVERPAYMENTS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made about the Australian Energy Regulator report identifying \$1 billion more in revenue than was permitted by the regulator's 2015 pricing decision?
 (2) Is it true that Ausgrid overcharged consumers by more than \$800 million?
 (3) What action has the Government taken to ensure consumers receive these repayments as soon as possible?
 (4) What action has the Government taken to prevent similar overpayments in future?
 (5) What further action will the Government take to:
 (a) Ensure consumers are not overcharged;
 (b) Ensure those overcharged receive these funds back immediately;
 (c) Ensure regulation of energy suppliers to protect consumers?

Answer—

I am advised:

The independent Australian Energy Regulator (AER) is responsible for determining the networks' permitted revenue levels and for monitoring compliance with its determinations.

I understand that the AER and Ausgrid are still working through the final revenue arrangements for the 2015-19 period. All network's proposals, supporting documents, and submissions are available for public scrutiny on the AER's website at www.aer.gov.au.

The National Electricity Law provides the overarching framework for managing electricity network over and under recovery of revenue, including repayments to consumers where revenue has been over-collected.

*8657 EMPLOYER PROVISION OF OPAL CARDS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What provision has the Government made for employers to supply and pay for Opal cards for workers instead of paying for or subsidising private transport?
 (2) What options does the Government provide for Opal cards limited to weekdays or specific periods of time in order to enable employers to pay for work-related use?
 (3) What other incentives does the Government provide to support private employers to support employees using public transport?
 (4) What incentives does the Government provide for CBD employers to support workers using public transport instead of private motor vehicles?
 (5) What programs does the Government operate to support Government agency employees use of public transport instead of private motor vehicles?
 (6) What further steps will the Government take to encourage public transport use for employees?

Answer—

I am advised :

(1) to (3) Opal allows customers access to activity statements which can be used to reclaim expenses for travel on public transport and employers can link Opal Cards to an Opal customer account and top up cards remote ly or set auto top up for specific cards. Opal Cards that restrict payment of fares during specific times are not available.

(4) to (6) The Travel Choices Program is a free resource to help businesses and organisations prepare for and adapt to the changes to Sydney's transport network and encourage a shift to more sustainable ways of moving in, out of and around Sydney. The program has been delivered in the Sydney CBD for the past three years. In that time, it has worked with 669 businesses which included working with the I 30 large businesses as well as Government agencies on tailored support for travel behaviour change, promoting

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sustainable travel options. The reach of the program more broadly has been approximately 170,000 employees' The promotion of public transport through collateral, promotional events and supporting businesses with individual Travel Action Plans has been pivotal to raising awareness and changing people's travel behaviour.

Further information about the Travel Choices program is available on the Tomorrow's Sydney website.

*8658 **RETAINED MILLERS POINT SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTIES**—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How many of the 28 retained social housing properties remain untenanted?
- (2) Is the Government committed to allocating these untenanted homes to those eligible for social housing?
- (3) What priority will be given to offering these homes to:
 - (a) social housing tenants who were relocated elsewhere from Millers Point and wish to return to the area;
 - (b) people on the inner city priority social housing waiting list;
 - (c) people on the general social housing waiting list for the inner city?
- (4) What plans does the Government have for these properties?

Answer—

I am advised that information about social housing which has been constructed from the sale of properties in Millers Point is available at www.millerspoint.facs.nsw.gov.au/new-homes-funded-by-millers-point.

I am further advised that Property NSW is managing the sales of Millers Point properties on behalf of the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) and that detailed information about Millers Point property sales is available at www.property.nsw.gov.au/millers-point-0.

I am advised that tenants have been supported in the relocation process by FACS, providing one-on-one support in finding tenants a new home that suited their needs and help them settle into their new community. FAGS continues to support the remaining tenants in Millers Point.

*8659 **HAZARD REDUCTION BURNS**—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) What changes have been made to hazard reduction burns since LA Q3197?
- (2) What strategies have been developed from the New South Wales Rural Fire Service (RFS) work with the Office of Environment and Heritage, Environment Protection Authority and Ministry of Health on longer term smoke management strategies?
- (3) What changes have been made to the community notification process to help prevent health impacts?
- (4) What further action has been taken to ensure that vulnerable people with respiratory conditions such as asthma do not suffer from smoke impacts?
- (5) What assessment has the Government made of research into the efficacy of hazard reduction burns on bushfire frequency and intensity?
- (6) What assessment has the Government made of research into the impact of climate change and increasing catastrophic weather events on bushfire frequency and intensity?
- (7) What assessment has the Government made of research into the impact of hazard reduction burn escapes?
- (8) Is it true that most bushfires start around houses?
 - (a) What strategies does the Government use to focus hazard reduction burns around housing adjacent to forests?
- (9) What assessment has the Government made about the timing of hazard reduction burns to limit impacts on large numbers of people?
- (10) What options that don't involve burning has the Government considered to reduce bushfire hazards in areas adjacent to greater Sydney?
- (11) What further action will the Government take to prevent hazard reduction burn impacts?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) now undertakes smoke plume modelling for the majority of hazard reduction burns and shares the results routinely with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and NSW Health. The NSW RFS is also a member of

an intergovernmental committee stemming from the Government's Clean Air Strategy, which is working to develop and implement a national fire behaviour and smoke prediction modelling system.

A new interagency smoke communications protocol has been developed by working groups under the Clean Air Strategy setting out clear responsibilities and agreed messaging in relation to likely smoke impacts on the community. Further enhancements to the Fires Near Me App will also allow more targeted messages to people in affected areas.

The NSW RFS continually assesses and contributes to research regarding the efficacy of hazard reduction burns on bush fire intensity and frequency. Evidence to date demonstrates that by reducing the fuel load, it is possible to reduce the impact of bush and grass fires on assets and improve chances of suppressing a fire. The NSW RFS is also active on the Australasian Fire and Emergency Services Authorities Council (AFAC) Climate Change group.

In response to recent research and inquiries into the impact of hazard reduction burn escapes, the NSW RFS is developing a new risk assessment process for undertaking hazard reduction burns in New South Wales that considers the likelihood and consequence of burn escape and smoke impacts.

Ninety per cent of fires in New South Wales are caused by human actions and this is particularly high in urban areas with a substantial amount of retained vegetation. Local Bush Fire Management Committees across New South Wales identify assets at risk in specific areas and set out plans for mitigation works.

Most hazard reduction activities traditionally take place in autumn and recent conditions have suited the continuance of this work. These activities focus on the areas of greatest risk. To assist this work and as part of the Government's response to the Wambelong fire inquiries, the NSW RFS has increased the number of State Mitigation Crews, greatly increasing the amount of mid-week burning that can be done. Recent research shows hazard reduction by burning has a substantially better cost benefit return compared to other forms of hazard reduction.

The highest priority is given to the protection of people and property and the Government continually examines new methods of fuel reduction and community resilience.

*8660 SERVICE NSW CENTRE TORONTO—Ms Yasmin Catley asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Was there any data analysis undertaken to inform the decision to establish a Service NSW Centre at Toronto?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so, what factors were considered?
- (2) Did the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation undertake the same data analysis for the Belmont area as it did for Toronto?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

The Toronto Service Centre will provide access to over 1,000 transactions and services from over 40 agencies across government including digital and face to face services.

Service NSW evaluates service centre locations based on customer behaviour data and a range of other factors including socio- economical and geographical. Service NSW regularly reviews network design.

*8661 SHELLHARBOUR HOSPITAL ADDITIONAL STAFF—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many of the 3,500 additional full-time, front-line health staff, committed to in the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19, have been installed at Shellharbour Hospital?
 - (a) If none, then why?

Answer—

From June 2015 to May 2018, the number of full time equivalent staff positions in the Illawarra Shoalhaven local health district increased by 250.

*8662 JOB CREATION NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) How many of the 150,000 new jobs committed to in the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19 have been delivered:

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- (a) Across New South Wales;
- (b) In the Illawarra;
- (c) In the Shellharbour electorate?

Answer—

The matter should be referred to the NSW Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations for response.

*8663 SERVICE NSW CENTRE SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) As per the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19, what are the locations of the 34 new Service NSW one-stop shops that have been installed since this commitment?
- (2) Have any sites yet been identified for a Service NSW site in the Shellharbour electorate?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) As per the Government's election commitments 2015-19, the following 34 locations have been installed: Botany, Warners Bay, Lithgow, Cowra, Deniliquin, Batemans Bay, Richmond, Toukley, Parkes, Macarthur, Warrawong, Wallsend, Corrimal, Silverwater, Tuggerah, Mudgee, Miranda, Narrabri, Cooma, Singleton, Young, Kempsey, Cessnock, Raymond Terrace, Ulladulla, Mittagong, Tuncurry, Nelson Bay, Taree, Griffith, Brookvale, Casino, Inverell, Nowra.

Additional Service Centres that have been installed since the commitment include: Bondi Junction, Broken Hill, Albury, Bankstown, Bathurst, Castle Hill, Coffs Harbour, Goulburn, Hornsby, Ryde, Auburn, Erina, Rozelle, Rockdale, Warriewood, Ballina, Bega, Mount Druitt, Moruya, Narooma, Eden, Gunnedah, Maclean, Murwillumbah, Lightning Ridge, Muswellbrook, Walgett, Wentworth, Glen Innes, and Wellington.

(2) At this time, there are no plans for additional Service NSW Service Centres in the region with customers and businesses in the region well serviced with the existing network of service centres at Warrawong, Wollongong, Corrimal and Kiama. However, Service NSW will continue to monitor and review services in the region.

Service NSW was established to make it easier for citizens to do business with the Government. More and more customers are transacting online at their convenience. Service NSW is increasing the number of transactions available on its digital service – website and mobile App.

*8664 SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Of the \$2.7 billion committed to investment in school facilities in the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19, what is the total amount that has been provided to schools within the Shellharbour electorate?
- (2) Which schools received funding?
- (3) How much did each school receive?
- (4) Which projects were completed using those funds?

Answer—

I am advised that an upgrade of Dapto Public School is currently in the planning stage. The works will provide additional new permanent teaching spaces and upgrade core facilities to address enrolment growth.

The value of the project is currently commercial-in-confidence.

Since 2015-16, more than \$8.8 million has been invested into capital works and maintenance in schools across the Shellharbour electorate.

*8665 SHELLHARBOUR HOSPITAL PAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Does the Government currently have any plans to provide pain management services from Shellharbour Hospital?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so, when?

Answer—

The Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District has an established multidisciplinary pain management

service at Port Kembla Hospital, with a satellite unit at Shoalhaven Hospital.

*8666 INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES TRIALS—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) In regard to the \$100,000 trial of innovative technologies (such as shark-detecting sonar technology) committed to in the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19, did any of these trials take place within:
 - (a) The Illawarra;
 - (b) The Shellharbour electorate?
- (2) What have been the results of these trials?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Trials within those coastal waters as part of the Government's \$16 million, 5-year Shark Management Strategy have to date included aerial surveillance using helicopters and drones in both areas; a VR4G listening station at Kiama; and SMART (Shark Management Alert in Real Time) drumline trials between Kiama and Shell Cove.

The trials of aerial surveillance, helicopters and drones, and VR4G listening stations are ongoing, but preliminary results indicate they are effective for observing sharks and detecting tagged sharks, respectively. The drone trial at Kiama also led to the rescue of two swimmers caught in a rip several hundred metres away from the nearest lifesavers. The drone operator observed the swimmers in distress, hovered over them and notified the local beach authority, which then came and rescued the swimmers.

Ten SMART drumlines were trialled between November 2017 and May 2018 at beaches from Kiama to Shell Cove. Target sharks caught during the trial included nine Tiger Sharks and one White Shark. No Bull Sharks were caught. Non-target animals included five Dusky Whaler Sharks, three Shortfin Mako Sharks, two Smooth Hammerhead Sharks, and two Black Rays. All animals were released alive and in good condition.

In late 2016, NSW Department of Primary Industries undertook a collaborative project with University of Technology Sydney and Shark Mitigation Systems to determine the ability of sonar technology to detect White Sharks and relay information to shore. The trial of Clever Buoy™ was undertaken at Hawks Nest where White Sharks are known to be present and video cameras deployed within the sonar detection area were used to confirm the presence of White Sharks.

The Clever Buoy and its supporting software identified White Sharks 45 per cent of the time within a 46m range. The range and accuracy of the data was significantly influenced by the trial design and water depth.

In addition to those trials of the Shark Management Strategy, in the last three years the Government's Shark Observation Grants Program has also contributed just under \$110,000 to the local councils of the Illawarra for shark observation towers and related equipment.

*8667 REDUCING TRAVEL TIME BETWEEN SYDNEY AND THE ILLAWARRA—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

As per the Government's Election Commitments 2015-19, what program has been developed to reduce travel time between Sydney and the Illawarra?

Answer—

I am advised

This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

*8668 CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL EAST—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) In relation to the Premier's announcement in April 2017 that the Government has allocated \$310 million dollars to revamp the North Parramatta precinct's historical buildings over seven to 10 years, what funding has been allocated to UrbanGrowth NSW for relocating Cumberland Hospital East Campus?
- (2) When will the relocation be completed?

Answer—

This question should be addressed to the Premier.

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*8669 CTP GREEN SLIP REFUND PROGRAM PAYMENT OPTIONS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) With regard the existing 'Claim a CTP Green Slip refund' program, are claimants able to request their refund to be paid by cheque?
 - (a) If not, what other options are available for vehicle owners who make their claim via telephone?
 - (b) If not, why was the decision taken to not allow payment by cheque?
- (2) What are the refund payment options available for claimants who claim:
 - (a) In person;
 - (b) Via the telephone;
 - (c) Via the internet?

Answer—

- (1) All refunds paid to individual vehicle owners are made via electronic funds transfer. Registered businesses with fleets of vehicles have received their refund by cheque.
 - (a) Individual vehicle owners who make their claim via telephone receive their refund via electronic funds transfer.
 - (b) The decision to not utilise cheques for individual refunds was based on a number of factors, including the cost and time involved in the administering and distributing millions of individual cheques. Additionally, changes in an individual's name or address and change in vehicle ownership may result in cheques not being delivered to the correct person or being returned.
- (2) The refund payment options available for claimants who claim:
 - (a) In person, is by electronic funds transfer.
 - (b) Via the telephone, is by electronic funds transfer.
 - (c) Via the internet, is by electronic funds transfer.

*8670 LOCAL COUNCIL FINES COLLECTED BY REVENUE NSW—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) With regard to infringement/penalty notice fines which are collected by Revenue NSW on behalf of local councils, what percentage of the fine is returned to the issuer (the council)?
- (2) Is there a flat administration fee per fine retained by Revenue NSW for their collection role?
- (3) Is the administration fee per fine a percentage of the fine and retained by Revenue NSW for their collection role?

Answer—

- (1) 100 per cent of revenue collected is returned to each Council when payment is received from the customer.
- (2) No.
- (3) There is no administration fee per fine. Revenue NSW invoice the Councils on a monthly basis for a processing fee. This fee contributes to paying for Revenue NSW operating expenses.

*8671 SERVICE NSW EMAIL ADDRESS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many Service NSW staff have access to the e-toll@rms.nsw.gov.au email address?
- (2) How regularly is this email address monitored by Service NSW staff?
- (3) What are the internal key performance indicators (KPIs) for Service NSW staff to respond to electronic communication?
- (4) What is the expected response time from Service NSW for emails sent to e-toll@rms.nsw.gov.au?
 - (a) Is it appropriate that general enquiries sent to e-toll@rms.nsw.gov.au are not responded to within 14 days?

Answer—

- (1) Service NSW Middle Office has 7 dedicated staff members whose primary focus is to manage customer emails received via the e-toll@rms.nsw.gov.au inbox.
- (2) Middle Office manage the inbox on a daily basis.
- (3) While there is no commercial agreement in place Service NSW Middle Office have imposed an internal service level agreement. Best endeavours are made to action these emails within 5 working days.

- (4) Unexpected volumes can increase monthly and quarterly based on statement release dates and other unforeseeable incidents such as online scams. Workload associated with this can see response times delayed.

*8672 SERVICE NSW COST OF LIVING SERVICE DESKS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Which Service NSW centres will provide the "cost-of-living" service desks?
- (2) How were these centres chosen?
- (3) What qualifications will specialist advisers require before they are able to offer assistance and advice to people about "cost-of-living" measures?
- (4) Will specialist advisers be recruited prior to the commencement of the program, or will the positions be filled by existing Service NSW staff who are currently employed in the centres where the program will be rolled-out?
- (5) Currently, can people visit a Service NSW centre and be provided information at the concierge desk about "cost-of-living" measures?
- (6) What new "cost-of-living" support will be provided by Service NSW staff under the new program?
- (7) Where will the announced \$24.5 million for the program be directed?

Answer—

- (1) The Cost of Living program encompasses a range of existing services including Active Kids, Energy Made Easy and the Compulsory Third Party (CTP) Green Slip Refund which are available across the entire Service NSW network. During July 2018, additional services will be included as part of the program and an appointment service will be offered, initially commencing at Lismore and Taree, followed by Wynyard, Parramatta and Wetherill Park Service Centres. The service will progressively become available at other locations, providing customers with access to in-store appointments throughout New South Wales.
- (2) One on one appointments require a personalised discussion and as a result, Service NSW Service centres were chosen based on the facilities that are in place to support the appointment service.
- (3) Staff members will be responsible for providing customers with information and assistance on their eligibility for a range of Government rebates and services aimed at easing cost of living pressures. Relevant training will be provided to staff members to ensure they meet the capabilities of the role.
- (4) Service NSW staff have been invited to apply for positions to support the Cost of Living service.
- (5) Service NSW provides customers with access to over 1,000 transactions and services from over 40 agencies across government. The Cost of Living service is an additional service offering providing customers with increased awareness and access to Government rebates and ways to save on energy costs through Service NSW.
- (6) Service NSW is expanding its service offering to provide customers with the option to book an appointment with a staff member at a service centre to learn more about their eligibility for Government rebates and services that may assist to ease cost of living pressures. \
- (7) See answers (1) to (6).

*8673 GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS POLICY—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What date is the review of policy and implementation strategies for the education of gifted and talented students expected to be completed?
- (2) What date will the review be available to the public?

Answer—

The revised policy and implementation guidelines for the education of gifted and talented students are being finalised.

The revised policy will be released with accompanying guidelines and literature review for implementation by schools in 2019.

*8674 NEWCASTLE BUSES ROUTE 27—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

According to the new Newcastle Buses routes and timetabling to be released on 29 July 2018, where will route 27 be diverted to after Young Road?

Answer—

I am advised:

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This information is available on the Newcastle Transport website.

*8675 NEWCASTLE BUSES ROUTE 14—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

According to the new Newcastle Buses routes and timetabling to be released on 29 July 2018, will route 14 be diverted to continue along the Pacific Highway, rather than Ntaba Road?

Answer—

I am advised

This information is available on the Newcastle Transport website.

*8676 IMPROVING WORKPLACE MENTAL HEALTH—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) Considering the Government's announcement of the 'NSW Mentally Healthy Workplaces Strategy 2018-2022' on 7 June 2018, which includes \$55 million towards improving workplace mental health, how will that \$55 million be shared amongst the four million workers in New South Wales?
- (2) How much of that investment will be put towards the advertising and media campaign?
- (3) Will only Government agencies/authorities be delivering the entire program, or will private consultants also be used?

Answer—

- (1) The Government will apply the \$55 million to deliver the NSW Mentally Healthy Workplaces Strategy 2018-2022. This is the biggest investment in workplace mental health in the country's history and stands alongside the Government's record \$2.1 billion investment in mental health services and infrastructure.
- (2) Mental health still carries a stigma and therefore part of the NSW Mentally Healthy Workplaces Strategy 2018-2022 is to raise awareness, and change the perception of mental health in the workplace. The campaign will direct employers and workers to the mentally healthy workplaces website, which will provide access to prevention-focussed guidance and evidence-informed tools and resources.
- (3) The Government will deliver the program with the support of academics and mental health not-for-profit agencies, digital and clinical service providers.

*8677 NSW HOUSING REGISTER EXCLUSIONS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Why has the Government excluded households whose applications have been temporarily suspended from the NSW Housing Register as of 30 June 2017?

Answer—

I am advised that the Government first published expected waiting times for social housing in 2012.

I am further advised that households whose applications for social housing have been temporarily suspended are not included as part of the total waiting list because they do not currently meet social housing eligibility requirements.

*8678 LENNOX BRIDGE PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION WORKS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What is the status of the preservation and conservation works of the Lennox Bridge in Lansdowne, given \$750,000 was allocated for its preservation and conservation with investigation works being carried out during September 2017 and works scheduled to begin in 2018?
- (2) What works will be carried out as a part of this project?
- (3) When are the works projected to be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) An environmental assessment is currently in progress, and design and construction work is expected to start in late 2018.
- (2) Works will include cleaning and washing all sandstone; remediating the abutment and arch stonework; replacing and indenting damaged stone; and repointing of the bridge.

(3) Work is expected to be complete by mid-2019.

*8679 CORRECTIONS OFFICERS FIRE RETARDANT UNIFORMS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

How much has been spent on fire retardant uniforms for Corrections Officers across New South Wales in each recurring year from 2011 to current (as at 7 June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Corrective Services NSW does not supply fire retardant clothing to correctional officers.

*8680 POLICE NUMBERS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Considering that you have previously indicated that there had been a yearly increase in the number of police positions since 2011, how does this align with the figures outlined in NSW Police Force SAP which indicate a decrease in NSW Police officer positions from the 2014-15 financial year?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force SAP system reflects the fact that there has been an increase in the number of police positions every year since 2011.

*8681 TARGETING ADDICTIVE EATING—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What evidence based programs run by qualified health professionals which target addictive eating are available to the Charlestown electorate?

Answer—

Health services are not provided on the basis of electorate.

*8682 SANDSTONE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS SPEED RAIL CONNECTION—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) Is the Government currently investigating plans for a speed rail connection between Newcastle and Sydney as per the recommendations of the Sandstone report?

(a) If not, does the Government intend to investigate plans for a speed rail connection between Newcastle and Sydney as per the recommendations of the Sandstone report in the near future?

Answer—

I am advised :

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8333.

*8683 LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCILS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

(1) How many Local Aboriginal Land Councils are there in New South Wales?

(2) What is the combined membership total of these Local Aboriginal Land Councils?

(3) Since 2010, how many individuals have incurred a penalty for providing false or misleading information in their application for membership of a Local Aboriginal Land Council, as outlined under Section 54(4) of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983?

(a) In which Local Aboriginal Land Councils have these offences occurred?

(b) To which authority must the Chief Executive Officer of each Local Aboriginal Land Council report this contravention of the Act?

Answer—

(1) There are 120 Local Aboriginal Land Councils in New South Wales constituted under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983.

(2) This question should be referred to the Office of the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983.

(3) and (3) (a) Refer to question (2)

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(3) (b) Any elected officer, member or staff member of a Local Aboriginal Land Council may refer alleged breaches of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 to the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 for investigation.

*8684 REPARATIVE THERAPY—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What action has the Government taken to review reparative therapy or 'gay conversion therapy' since Notice of Motion 2588 given in the House 2 May 2013, noting that there is no scientific research to substantiate the claims that medical and psychological treatment can change a person's sexual orientation?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of the Australian Capital Territory and Victorian Governments' action to ban or restrict reparative therapy?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made of evidence about this practice?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to ban this practice?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to ensure harmful reparative therapy does not continue in New South Wales?

Answer—

The NSW Ministry of Health supports the Australian Psychological Society (APS) Position Statement on the use of psychological practices that attempt to change sexual orientation. The Position Statement strongly opposes any practice that seeks to change a person's sexual orientation and details why such practices are unethical.

The Government notes the inquiry into conversion (reparative) therapy being undertaken by the Victorian Health Complaints Commissioner, and strongly opposes any form of mental health practice that treats homosexuality as a disorder, or seeks to change a person's sexual orientation. There is no clinical evidence demonstrating that approaches claiming to change a person's sexual orientation are effective.

Registered health practitioners are regulated under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (NSW) and subject to the codes and guidelines set by the relevant health professional board. Registered health practitioners are required to conduct their practice in a safe and ethical manner, and not discriminate against patients on the basis of their sexuality. Disciplinary actions can be taken by the NSW Health Care Complaints Commission (HCCC) against registered and non-registered health practitioners.

*8685 NOT A STATISTIC DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Will the Government consider introducing and supporting the Police Citizens Youth Club (PCYC) 'Not-A-Statistic' driver education program, which targets high school aged youths who are commencing driving or soon to commence driving, to educate them and assist in reducing the road toll?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government supports a number of road safety initiatives, including education programs, delivered by government and non-government organisations. Information is available on the Centre for Road Safety website.

*8686 DUKE AND DUCHESS OF SUSSEX SUGGESTED REGIONAL VISIT—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) Has the Government contacted Clarence House or Kensington Palace to encourage the Duke and Duchess of Sussex to visit parts of regional New South Wales as part of their Invictus Games commitments?
 - (a) If so, what locations were suggested?
 - (b) If not, will the Government consider making a submission to the Duke and Duchess of Sussex to visit the Hunter Valley?
- (2) What is the expected economic and social benefit of the Invictus Games to the New South Wales economy?
- (3) What would be the anticipated economic, social and tourism benefits of a visit by the Duke and Duchess' to regional New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) New South Wales is working with the Commonwealth on a suggested itinerary for Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Sussex. Kensington Palace will set the itinerary of the Duke and Duchess.

(2) New South Wales has a proud history of supporting our servicemen and women, and hosting the Invictus Games will be a proud moment which solidifies this support throughout our community.

The Games will bring together wounded, injured and ill veterans from across the world and promote a stronger connection between veterans and the New South Wales community. It will also contribute to reducing and ultimately eliminating barriers that prevent people with disability from participating in sport.

In addition, publicity associated with the event and the involvement of its patron His Royal Highness The Duke of Sussex will promote Sydney and New South Wales around the world.

(3) The economic benefit of a visit by the Duke and Duchess to regional New South Wales has not been quantified. The exposure of the Games during competition and likely global media coverage will continue to add to Sydney and New South Wales' reputation as a tourist destination.

*8687 SERVICE NSW COST OF LIVING PROGRAMS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many people in the Wollongong electorate are eligible for:
 - (a) Energy rebates;
 - (b) Active kids vouchers;
 - (c) CTP savings through a premium reduction and refund;
 - (d) Free registration through the Toll Relief Program?
- (2) How many people in the Wollongong electorate have claimed for their eligibility for the programs listed above?
- (3) What are the reasons why only 58 per cent of customers are aware of the existence of cost of living programs, as concluded by Service NSW research?
 - (a) How was this Service NSW research conducted?
 - (b) Over what period was the research conducted?
 - (c) Is this research publicly available?
 - (i) If not, why not?
 - (ii) If so, where can the research be found?

Answer—

(1) and (2)

(a) This question should be directed to the Minister for Energy and Utilities.

(b) This question should be directed to the Minister for Sport.

(c) Owners of approximately 100,000 registered vehicles in the Wollongong electorate will see a reduction in their compulsory third party (CTP) premiums. Owners of approximately 82,000 vehicles in the Wollongong electorate are entitled to a CTP refund.

(d) Toll Relief is one of many government initiatives to help ease the cost of living for the people of New South Wales. Toll Relief helps frequent toll road users that spend \$25 a week or more on tolls \$1,300 over the financial year.

Around 100,000 eligible drivers, majority living in the metro Sydney area, can receive their free vehicle registration through the Service NSW website when they go to renew their vehicle from 1 July 2018.

An extended pilot started Sunday 24 June and as of Wednesday 27 June at 4:30pm there have been more than 300 free vehicle registrations claimed with more than \$100,000 paid out.

Eligible vehicle owners will see a reduction in premiums when they first renew their policies after 1 December 2017. As of 28 June 2018, 36,671 people from the Wollongong electorate have claimed their CTP refund

(3) A survey was conducted in March 2018. 201 people in total were surveyed in Dubbo, Maitland, Raymond Terrace, Taree, Cowra, Cessnock, Bathurst and Mudgee.

Survey results were: 58 per cent said they were not aware of the government providing cost relief refunds, 67 percent said they knew how to get the rebates they were aware of (84 responses), 80 per cent said they would like help with cost of living initiatives, 92 per cent said they would like to see this service at Service NSW.

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*8688 WOLLONGONG HOSPITAL ELECTIVE SURGERY WAITING LISTS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What are the reasons for the long waiting list for elective surgery at Wollongong hospital?
- (2) What additional resources will the Government provide to reduce the waiting lists for elective surgery at Wollongong Hospital, considering Bureau of Health Information statistics confirm that waiting lists are only getting longer?

Answer—

The waiting list is reviewed and managed daily as part of normal business processes, in line with NSW Health Policy.

Funding for additional elective surgery activity has been provided by the Government.

*8689 SERVICE NSW CENTRES WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many customers have been served at Service NSW Centres at Warrawong, Corrimal, Kiama and Wollongong since each centre was established (as at 7 June 2018)?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed at the Service NSW Centres in Warrawong, Corrimal, Kiama and Wollongong in each years since their establishment (to 7 June 2018)?
- (3) What additional resources will be provided to each of the Service NSW Centres in line with the announcement on 5 June 2018 that Service NSW Centres will become one-stop shops for cost of living support?

Answer—

(1) For the week ending 10 June, the following customers had been served since each of the following Service Centres started.

Warrawong 333,577

Corrimal 172,755

Kiama 172,755

Wollongong 327,685

(2)

Service Centre	FTE at Establishment	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2018 (as at 31 May 2018)
Kiama	4	5.57	6.57	5.57	6.57	6.57
Wollongong	15	13.32	13.42	12.35	12.28	10.85
Warrawong	20.13	N/A	N/A	20.94	19.54	19.83
Corrimal	10.99	N/A	N/A	11.99	11.99	13.64

Establishment Date

Kiama - 5 July 2013

Wollongong - 9 December 2013

Warrawong - 27 November 2015

Corrimal - 11 December 2015

(3) Service NSW is undertaking a pilot at five locations (Lismore, Wynyard, Taree, Wetherill Park and Parramatta) which will guide staff requirements and the Service Design across the network.

*8690 TRANSPORT ACCESS PROGRAM—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Which train stations had access upgrades cancelled following the election of the O'Farrell Government on 28 March 2011?
- (2) How much was spent on these access upgrades prior to their cancellation?
- (3) Have any of these stations received upgrades under the Transport Access Program since their initial cancellation?

Answer—

I am advised :

(1) and (3) The Transport Access Program was established in 2012 and the prioritisation assessment and prioritisation framework subsequently revised. Unlike the former Labor Government, we take a coordinated, evidence-based approach to station upgrades. The Transport Access Program assessment process uses evidence-based criteria, including current and future patronage. It takes into account the needs and demographics of customers who use the station. It also considers the location of important services, such as hospitals or schools and the accessibility of nearby transport interchanges.

All projects are subject to practical considerations. A project may be deferred for reasons such as ongoing design discussions with the local council, or a need to redesign the project due to changes near a station that affect access to it. The decision to defer a project does not necessarily prevent a project being delivered at a later date.

Information on completed, or in progress Transport Access Program projects is on the Transport for NSW website.

(2) The release of monetary values for plans and contract details is commercially sensitive and could adversely influence the market when tenders are released in the future.

*8691 PORT KEMBLA HOSPITAL—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Has the clinical services plan for the redevelopment of Shellharbour Hospital been released?
- (2) What services currently provided at Port Kembla Hospital will be redeployed in association with the redevelopment of Shellharbour Hospital?
 - (a) What is the timeframe for the redeployment of these services?
- (3) What will be the role of Port Kembla Hospital once the redevelopment of Shellharbour Hospital is completed?

Answer—

The Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District has developed a revised Service Statement, rather than a Clinical Service Plan, for the redevelopment of Shellharbour Hospital.

Plans for the future role of Port Kembla Hospital are ongoing.

*8692 SOCIAL HOUSING MAINTENANCE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) When a social housing tenant reports a maintenance issue to Housing NSW and the Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC), how long on average does it take for the maintenance issue to be fixed?
- (2) What percentage of tenants are satisfied with the quality of work performed by LAHC contractors?
- (3) What percentage of tenants are satisfied with the amount of time it took LAHC to fix the reported maintenance issue?
- (4) What percentage of tenants have spent their own money on property maintenance over the last five years?
- (5) What is the current property maintenance backlog for social housing in:
 - (a) New South Wales;
 - (b) the Wollongong electorate?

Answer—

Information on the Department of Family and Community Services' maintenance program, including response times, is available at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

I am advised that further information was provided to the Public Accounts Committee Inquiry into the Management of NSW Public Housing Maintenance Contracts.

*8693 REDEPLOYMENT OF OSCAR TRAIN CARRIAGES TO SOUTH COAST LINE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Can the Oscar carriages currently in use on the Newcastle Line be redeployed for use on the South Coast Line given the Government's recent announcement that the new Intercity Fleet carriages will not be commissioned on the South Coast Line until 2021?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

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I am advised :

This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

*8694 UNANDERRA STATION ACCESS UPGRADE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Was Unanderra Station among the list of stations recommended for funding by Transport for NSW in the 2018-19 Budget?
- (2) Is Unanderra Station among the stations considered for upgrades in the Transport Access Program 2 projects?
 - (a) If so, will the Unanderra Station access upgrade be completed before December 2020?

Answer—

I am advised

Information is available in the 2018-19 Budget papers.

*8695 NEW INTERCITY FLEET AND THE SOUTH COAST LINE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that the New Intercity Fleet will not operate on the South Coast Line until 2021?
- (2) On what basis was the rollout of this new rolling stock prioritised between Newcastle, the Blue Mountains and the South Coast lines?
- (3) Given that the South Coast Line has overcrowded services and no additional carriages are available during peak hours, why is the South Coast Line the last line to receive additional carriages in this rollout?

Answer—

I am advised :

(1) No.

(2) and (3) This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

*8696 PFAS CONTAMINATION SUPPORT PROGRAMS RUTHERFORD—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Is the Government offering financial support for cattle testing and testing of potentially affected livestock in relation to the per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination of Stony, Fishery and Wallis creeks in Rutherford?
- (2) Will the Government be fencing off the creeks?
- (3) Will the Government be providing signage on all impacted creeks, rivers and waterways?
- (4) What testing will be offered to residents who may have been affected by consuming contaminated foods?
- (5) Will the Government reinstate the Rutherford Community Consultative Committee, which was disbanded in 2015 after being initially established in 2011 to address pollution coming from the Rutherford industrial estates?

Answer—

I am advised that precautionary advice for this area is directed to affected persons. The Government will continue to engage with the local community and investigate the source of the PFAS contamination. Further information is at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/contaminated-land/pfas-investigation-program/pfas-investigation-sites>

*8697 NELSON BAY ROAD—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Who instructed the Department to delay the upgrade to Nelson Bay Road, which Premier Baird announced prior to the 2015 election?
- (2) Was then Treasurer Gladys Berejiklian or the Expenditure Review Committee of Cabinet notified of the decision?
- (3) Will the Government fulfill its election commitment and complete this road upgrade before the 2019 election?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Roads and Maritime Services has not been instructed to delay the upgrade of Nelson Bay Road.
- (3) Planning for the upgrade is continuing and further information is available in the recent NSW Budget 2018-19.
- *8698 MAMBO WETLANDS—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- When will the Department make a determination on the application to repurchase the Mambo Wetlands site at Salamander Bay using funding from the Coastal Lands Protection Scheme?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- The Department of Planning and Environment has offered to purchase the land using funding from the Coastal Lands Protection Scheme.
- At this point in time the owner of the Mambo Wetlands site at Salamander Bay has not accepted the offer.
- *8699 TEA GARDENS TRENCH—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) Is the Minister now aware of the illegal 17 kilometre trench threatening the water supply of the Tea Gardens area?
- (2) Did the Minister receive my request for a briefing from her department dated 10 January 2018?
- (3) Given you told Parliament that you are "happy to hear from this member on any other issue" will you now facilitate a briefing from your department on this issue?
- Answer—
- I am advised the site is currently under investigation and it would be inappropriate to comment at this time.
- *8700 DISABILITY SERVICES PROVISION AND PRESCRIPTION GUIDELINES—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) When were the Provision and Prescription Guidelines for Seated Mobility changed?
- (2) Which organisations and individuals were involved in the working group that coordinated the changes to the guidelines?
- (3) Which agency was responsible for leading the working group?
- Answer—
- Please address these questions to the Minister for Health.
- *8701 PRESCHOOL PARTNERSHIP PILOT—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—
- (1) What was the outcome of the 2017 review of the Preschool Partnership Pilot?
- (2) Is the review publically available?
- (3) Will the Government be expanding the Preschool Partnership program?
- Answer—
- (1) The Preschool Partnership Pilots were evaluated as being effective in enhancing community awareness of early childhood education and facilitating collaborations that support children's successful transition to school.
- (2) The review was used for internal purposes.
- (3) The Government is considering its next steps with regards to the Preschool Partnership program.
- *8702 DISABILITY GROUP HOMES—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) Is there a revised completion date for the construction of all 79 group homes to be constructed by Home4Life under the Hunter Residences redevelopment program?
- (2) How many group homes have been constructed by Home4Life since being awarded the tender in February 2017?
- (3) Does the Department still believe that 89 group homes will be required in total for the Hunter Residences redevelopment program?

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(4) Have any tenders been issued for the provision of group homes since February 2017?

Answer—

- (1) The Hunter Redevelopment program is expected to be completed in 2020.
- (2) No group homes have been constructed by Home4Life.
- (3) The number of Group Homes is dependent on the number of residents of the Hunter Residences and therefore, changes as the number of residents changes.
- (4) The tender process for the program is currently underway.

*8703 WILLIAMTOWN CONTAMINATION—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Has the Minister spoken with her Commonwealth counterparts since the Commonwealth Government's announcement that they would not consider buy outs for contaminated properties?
- (2) Will the Minister be advocating on behalf of residents for the Commonwealth Government to reverse its position?

Answer—

The Government continues to advocate on behalf of residents to the Commonwealth Government on this issue.

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*8704 DROUGHT CO-ORDINATOR QUALIFICATIONS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

Is the recently appointed Drought Co-ordinator legally qualified and/or licensed to provide business and financial advice to farmers, considering she has given advice to farmers without solicitation?

Answer—

The State Drought Coordinator has not provided business or financial advice to any farmers

*8705 YOUTH STRATEGY FOR NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

Considering that most developed countries have a youth strategy in place, does the Department of Family and Community Services have any strategies to specifically address ongoing youth issues?

Answer—

On 26 July 2016, the Government officially launched the first-ever legislated and Cabinet endorsed whole-of-government Strategic Plan for Children and Young People. The Advocate for Children and Young People consulted with over 4,000 children and young people aged 0 to 24 years to inform the themes and directions of the Plan which will ensure children and young people in New South Wales have opportunities to thrive, be heard and access the services they need.

The Department of Family and Community Services' Youth Frontiers and Refugee Youth Peer Mentoring programs foster active and meaningful participation of youth in their communities, and support refugee young people in NSW to be engaged citizens. The Youth Opportunities program also provides grants to support local, youth-led and youth-driven projects that have a positive development focus.

*8706 WESTCONNEX CONSTRUCTION IN ASHFIELD—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) What support is being offered to residents and homeowners on Chandos, Orpington and Loftus Streets, Ashfield, affected by construction noise and vibration during WestConnex construction and now that westbound traffic is immediately adjacent to their properties in the operational phase of the road?
- (2) Will the Government offer noise abatement to all residents in apartment buildings on Chandos, Orpington and Loftus Streets, Ashfield, affected by WestConnex?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (3) What consultation has been undertaken to meet the concerns of residents?

Answer—

I am advised:

The New M4 contractor consults directly with eligible property owners regarding at-property treatments.

*8707 ROZELLE INTERCHANGE—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) Is the Rozelle Interchange part of WestConnex?
- (2) Is the Rozelle Interchange included in its entirety in the \$7.247 billion budget for Stage 3 of WestConnex?

Answer—

I am advised:

Rozelle Interchange is part of Stage 3 of WestConnex and is included in the \$16.8 billion budget for WestConnex.

*8708 EARLY CHILDHOOD—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What is the Government doing to ensure children have the best start in life in terms of parenting skills?
- (2) What services are available to disadvantaged communities to ensure the best start in life for children state-wide?

Answer—

I am advised that the FACS Targeted Earlier Intervention (TEI) Program aims to improve child health and wellbeing, reduce their levels of vulnerability, prevent the escalation of risk and reduce the number of children and young people reported at risk.

FACS also works with parents to strengthen their parenting skills through the Brighter Futures and Intensive Family Based Support programs, and the Permanency Support Program.

Information about FACS programs is available on the FACS website at: <https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au>.

*8709 STOLEN NUMBER PLATES—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

Why is the registered owner of a vehicle required to pay for replacement number plates in the instance of the original number plates being stolen?

Answer—

I am advised:

The cost to the customer of issuing a set of replacement number plates covers the cost to produce the plates and to re-assign the new plate number.

*8710 DEFAMATION WORKING GROUP—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) When will the Defamation Working Group of the Council of Attorney General reconvene?
- (2) When will the Group furnish a report on its consideration of the statutory review of the Defamation Act 2005 (NSW)?

Answer—

I am advised:

At the June 2018 Council of Attorneys-General (CAG) meeting, CAG agreed to reconvene the inter-jurisdictional Defamation Working Party (DWP).

As chair of the reconvened DWP, NSW has invited the Commonwealth, State and Territory Attorneys-General, as well as the NSW Solicitor General, to nominate representatives to participate in the DWP. The first meeting will be scheduled once all nominations are received.

The DWP will be invited to agree a work plan at its first meeting.

*8711 SYDNEY LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What was the total operating budget for the Sydney Local Health District in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?

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- (2) What was the total budget for nursing hours in the Sydney Local Health District in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?
- (3) Is there currently contingent operational funding for staffing in the Sydney Local Health District following last season's particularly bad flu season?
- (4) What is the total full-time-equivalent staffing levels in the Sydney Local Area Health District in each month in the 2017-18 financial year (as at 19 June 2018) for:
 - (a) Nurses;
 - (b) Doctors;
 - (c) Clinical staff?
- (5) What is the total budget for full-time-equivalent staff in the Sydney Local Area Health District in each month in the 2017-18 financial year (as at 19 June 2018) for:
 - (a) Nurses;
 - (b) Doctors;
 - (c) Clinical staff?

Answer—

Sydney Local Health District has increased the total expenditure budget from 2012-13 to 2016-17 by \$275 Million.

Nurse hour per patient day budgets are set in accordance with applicable award requirements or clinical requirements.

The District allocates a budget for contingency funding as part of its annual budget process.

In 2017-18, the District allocated aggregate full-time-equivalent budgets to hospitals and services. Expenditure budgets are allocated by award type.

*8712 STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY BUS DRIVER TRANSFERS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) In the past six months (to 19 June 2018), how many State Transit Authority bus drivers have transferred out of the :
 - (a) Leichhardt depot;
 - (b) Tempe depot;
 - (c) Kingsgrove depot?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) None
- (b) None
- (c) Four. Three of these drivers went to Tempe depot and the fourth went to Leichhardt depot.

*8713 DRUG DETECTION DOG SEARCHES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) In each Local Area Command, how many searches were undertaken following drug detection dog indications in 2017?
 - (a) In each Local Area Command, how many of these searches resulted in illicit drugs being discovered?

Answer—

I refer the Member to my response to Legislative Council question LC Q2277.

*8714 SCOPE OF WORKS FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What is the cost for Land and Housing Corporation and/or its contractors to provide a scope of works for a blocked sewer?
- (2) How long is a scope of works valid before there is a need to provide a further scope of works?

Answer—

I am advised the Department of Family and Community Services' (FACS) maintenance contractors operate under the terms and conditions of the Asset Maintenance Services contract. Information on FACS' maintenance program is available at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

*8715 MRI EXAMINATIONS AT MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What percentage of patients using the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) at Mount Druitt Hospital were paying fees for their examinations from 1 December 2017 to 31 May 2018?

Answer—

From 1 December 2017 to 31 May 2018, over 390 patients have paid no fees for undertaking MRI examinations.

*8716 LOCAL LAND SERVICES RATES INCREASE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

How does Local Land Services justify their recent rates increase which is considerably higher than the previous rates applied to land holders?

Answer—

Local Land Services is making its rating system consistent across New South Wales.

Prior to Local Land Services, many legacy regions had not increased rates in line with consumer price index (CPI) or service delivery costs, leading to funding shortfalls. Rates also did not increase during the first two years of Local Land Services (LLS), which created further funding shortfalls.

The current increase brings rates income to a level that can sustain the organisation's landholder services into the future.

The current challenging times are an example of the organisation's value - in June alone over 2,100 landholders attended drought workshops and LLS staff have spoken to over 2,700 landholders on drought issues.

This is just the tip of the iceberg on the value LLS delivers to its customers. The rates increase is essential for these services to continue.

*8717 RAIL TRAVEL IN THE ORANGE ELECTORATE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will consideration be given to conducting a consultation with communities within the Orange electorate to ascertain their current rail travel needs and provide a new train timetable prior to March 2019?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

*8718 DEATHS REPORTED TO THE CORONER REPORT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

When do you expect to receive the report of the University of Sydney study led by Associate Professor Rebecca Scott Bray concerning deaths reported to the Coroner?

Answer—

I am advised:

The University of Sydney study being led by Associate Professor Rebecca Scott Bray concerning deaths from natural causes reported to the Coroner is an independent research study and was not commissioned by the Department of Justice or the State Coroner's Court of NSW. The Department of Justice is not aware of the expected completion date of the independent study.

*8719 WESTMEAD HOSPITAL WAITING TIMES—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) On 11 September 2017, what was the waiting time at Westmead Hospital for:

- (a) Hip replacements;
- (b) Knee replacements;
- (c) Cataract extractions?

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- (2) On 11 June 2018, what was the waiting time at Westmead Hospital for:
- Hip replacements;
 - Knee replacements;
 - Cataract extractions?
- (3) What funding has been provided to Westmead Hospital since 12 September 2017 to reduce the wait times for common elective surgeries (as at 19 June 2018)?

Answer—

Data on elective surgery wait times at Westmead Hospital is updated regularly and published on the NSW Bureau of Health Information website, available at www.bhi.nsw.gov.au.

I am advised that Western Sydney Local Health District (LHD) will provide additional elective surgery in the LHD for the 2018-19 financial year to further improve time to elective surgery across the District, including for Westmead Hospital.

*8720 HOUSING APPLICATIONS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How many Housing applications had been received but not processed by Family and Community Services (FACS) Housing as at 1 June 2018 in:
- Liverpool;
 - Parramatta?
- (2) What is the average time for applications to be processed by FACS Housing in:
- Liverpool;
 - Parramatta?
- (3) What is the average time for assessments by FACS Housing in Liverpool for:
- Application for social housing assistance;
 - Application for Rentstart;
 - Recognition as a tenant;
 - Review of decisions (first tier appeal) application;
 - Change of circumstances application?
- (4) What is the average time for assessments by FACS Housing in Parramatta for:
- Application for social housing assistance;
 - Application for Rentstart;
 - Recognition as a tenant;
 - Review of decisions (first tier appeal) application;
 - Change of circumstances application?

Answer—

I am advised that the Department of Family and Community Services assesses each applicant's situation on a case-by-case basis and makes a decision based on the individual circumstances of their application. I am further advised that process times for applications vary depending on each applicant's circumstances and the documentation provided to support their application.

*8721 POLICE FORCE RE-ENGINEERING—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

How many additional officers have been located in the Cumberland Police Area Command since 5 October 2017 (to 19 June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

There were 252 positions allocated to the Cumberland Police Area Command as at June 2018. All police resources are flexibly deployed across the district in response to operational needs. These local resources are supplemented by specialist police who are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to respond to changing community needs, crime patterns and emerging issues.

The NSW Police Force continually reviews its property portfolio to determine existing and future operational requirements.

*8722 M4 USAGE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

What has been the total usage of the widened M4 in each month since it reopened in July 2014 (as at 19

June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*8723 ADDITIONAL REVERSE VENDING MACHINES IN THE SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) When will the additional Reverse Vending Machines be rolled out in the Summer Hill electorate?
 - (a) Where will they be located?

Answer—

I am advised the Network Operator, TOMRA Cleanaway is responsible for the deployment and operation of the scheme.

*8724 PILL TESTING AT GROOVIN THE MOO—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) Has the Government met with the Australian Capital Territory Government, Harm Reduction Australia or the Safety Testing and Advisory Service at Festivals and Events (STA-SAFE), in regards to pill testing at the Groovin the Moo Music Festival held in Canberra on 29 April 2018?
- (2) Have you received a briefing, advice or an evaluation of the testing subsequence to the event?

Answer—

Pill testing is not an approach that the Government supports. Pill testing can only provide limited information, which may impart a false sense of security when dealing with dangerous illicit substances.

*8725 INNER WEST BUS SERVICES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Will the Government intervene on 1 July when Transit Systems begin operating inner west bus services and cannot deliver on the Minister's promise of extra services due to a shortage of bus drivers?
 - (a) If so, how?

Answer—

I am advised:

The premise of your question is false. There is no shortage of drivers in Region 6, in fact, Transit Systems now has more drivers in Region 6 than there was under STA.

Within six months, Transit Systems will introduce around 270 extra weekly bus services across three popular routes to the Sydney CBD from Kingsgrove, Burwood and Chiswick. There will be sufficient drivers to operate all of these services.

*8726 CORONERS ACT STATUTORY REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) When will the statutory review of the Coroners Act be tabled?
- (2) What amendments do you propose to the Coroners Act?

Answer—

I am advised:

The report on the statutory review of the Coroners Act 2009 will be tabled in each House of Parliament in due course.

*8727 APPLICATIONS FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF A DECISION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

- (1) Since the commencement of the Victims Rights and Support Act, how many applications have been made to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) by defendants for administrative review of a decision by the Commissioner of Victims Rights to make a restitution order (as at 19 June 2018)?
 - (a) Of these applications, on how many occasions:
 - (i) Has a victim been summoned to appear?
 - (ii) Have medical records of a victim been accessed by a defendant?

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Answer—

I am advised:

Since the commencement of the Victims Rights and Support Act 2013 to 19 June 2018, there have been 76 applications made to the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT) by defendants for an administrative review of a decision by the Commissioner of Victims Rights to make a restitution order.

Information relating to use of victim 's medical records and physical appearances by victims is not captured by NCAT's case management systems.

- *8728 LIBRARY FUNDING IN THE LIVERPOOL LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

How much funding has the Government provided to the Liverpool Council local government area annually for library services in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2017-18 (as at 19 June 2008)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Funding to Liverpool City Council 2012-13 to 2017-18 was:

Year	Total
2012-13	\$479,718
2013-14	\$486,243
2014-15	\$496,961
2015-16	\$505,421
2016-17	\$520,464
2017-18	\$530,674

- *8729 ISLAMIC CHARITY PROJECTS ASSOCIATION EID FESTIVAL—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

Why did neither you or your representative attend the Islamic Charity Projects Association Eid festival at Bankstown on Sunday 17 June 2018?

Answer—

As the Minister for Multiculturalism, I was delighted to share a number of Iftar dinners, including the Premier's Iftar Dinner during the Holy month of Ramadan with a wide variety of communities, meeting many hard working people.

I was warmly welcomed to Iftar dinners hosted by the Islamic Sciences and Research Academy Australia, the Lebanese Muslim Association and Islamic Charity Projects Association during Ramadan. I was also pleased to welcome over 200 community members to the Premier's Iftar Dinner.

Muslim communities recently celebrated Eid, and I was pleased to attend the Eid Ceremony at the Arrahman Islamic Centre at Kingsgrove on the morning of Eid, while the Premier attended the Eid prayers at the Lakemba Mosque.

I also witnessed the colorful and joyous Eid celebrations in full swing at the Chand Raat Eid Festival at Rosehill and at the Multicultural Eid Festival and Fair at Prarieewood.

While Ramadan is primarily a spiritual time for Muslims, it has also evolved into a time for people of many faiths to come together in the spirit of peace. I have seen first-hand how the Islamic values of charity, compassion and prayer have united people across communities.

Cultural occasions such as Ramadan and Eid, which are important fixtures on our muticulltural calendar, provide greater understanding and mutual respect between our communities.

- *8730 EMERGENCY RESPITE POSITIONS IN THE LIVERPOOL ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—

How many emergency respite positions are available in the Liverpool electorate for people with a disability?

Answer—

This question is a matter for the Commonwealth Government.

*8731 CAR PARKING IN CASULA—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What commuter car parking is being constructed, designed or planned for Casula?

Answer—

I am advised:

Funds have been made available under the Transport Access Program to undertake planning to deliver increased commuter car parking at Casula Station. Preliminary investigations have been undertaken to identify options to provide the maximum number of commuter spaces at this location. A further scoping study is about to be undertaken to explore these options and identify a preferred solution.

*8732 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE REPORT OF THE STATUTORY REVIEW OF THE TERRORISM (POLICE POWERS) ACT 2002—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General—

Will you implement Recommendations 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12 and 13 of the Report of the statutory review of the Terrorism (Police Powers) Act dated June 2018?

Answer—

I am advised :

The Government accepts the recommendations of the statutory review of the Terrorism (Police Powers) Act 2002 and intends to introduce amendments to the Act later this year.

*8733 NSW HEALTH CODE OF CONDUCT BREACHES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many senior staff are currently deployed on non-clinical duties in New South Wales hospitals pending investigations of alleged breaches of the NSW Health Code of Conduct (as at 19 June 2018)?
- (2) How many senior staff were deployed on non-clinical duties in New South Wales hospitals pending investigations of alleged breaches of the NSW Health Code of Conduct in the 2016-17 financial year?
 - (a) Of these, how many investigations resulted in the accused employer returning to their previous place of work?
- (3) What was the the total cost in the 2016-17 financial year to NSW Health of replacing staff members while investigations were underway?
 - (a) What was the total cost of overtime paid to cover these positions?

Answer—

Each NSW Health organisation is responsible for having local procedures for managing alleged breaches of the NSW Health Code of Conduct.

*8734 LOSS OF DRIVERS LICENSES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What is the total number of offences recorded for each of the possible driving offences that attract demerit points in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?

Answer—

Please see Appendix A.

Notes:

1. Data as at 24 July 2018 and may change retrospectively.
2. Includes all offences that incur demerit points with an offence date between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2017
3. Includes penalty notices that have proceeded through the entire pre-enforcement penalty notice lifecycle and were either paid, cautioned or sent to enforcement.

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*8735 DAVIS OVERPASS CONGESTION—Mr Edmond Atalla asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) Considering concerns from Senior Constable Rushbrook of the Mount Druitt Local Area Command that the Davis Overpass on Francis Road, Rooty Hill is dangerously congested and prevents emergency vehicles from accessing Mount Druitt Hospital (Minutes from the Local Traffic Committee for the City of Blacktown Meeting No. 486), will you support the Local Area Command by taking action to have this matter rectified?
 - (a) If so, what action is being taken?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

Traffic congestion is a matter for the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

*8736 PARKING INFRINGEMENT NOTICES IN SCHOOLS IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What is the breakdown by school relating to how many infringement notices were issued for parking offences in school zones in the Wallsend electorate in each year from 2011 to 2017 inclusive?

Answer—

Parking infringements do not identify particular schools. Data is collected and categorised by suburb and street of offence.

*8737 SPEEDING INFRINGEMENT NOTICES IN SCHOOLS IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What is the breakdown by school relating to how many infringement notices were issued for speeding offences in 40 kilometres per hour school zones in the Wallsend electorate in each year from 2011 to 2017 inclusive?

Answer—

Infringement notices do not identify particular schools or electorates. Data is collected and categorised by suburb and street of offence.

*8738 CUMBERLAND POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLD GROWTH PROJECTIONS—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) Considering the Department of Planning and Environment's population and household projections forecast growth in Cumberland from 217,450 in 2016 to 292,450 in 2036, what assistance is being given to Cumberland Council to help plan for service and infrastructure delivery for the community?
- (2) What assumptions were made concerning the proportion of new dwellings being:
 - (a) Single houses;
 - (b) Townhouses;
 - (c) Terrace houses;
 - (d) Granny flats;
 - (e) Boarding houses;
 - (f) Duplexes;
 - (g) Units/apartments;
 - (h) High rise apartments?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) As part of major planning reforms that received bipartisan support in Parliament last year, the focus of the planning system was shifted to strategic planning through changes to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

A key element of this reform was the introduction of the Local Strategic Planning Statements (LSPS).

Each Council will prepare an LSPS, which will set out the 20-year vision for land-use in the local area. It will include the special character and values to be preserved and how change will be managed into the future.

Through the preparation and completion of the LSPS, Council can identify and collaborate with the Government on what infrastructure is needed in the area to accommodate existing and future population needs.

Support will be provided to councils for the preparation of their LSPS throughout the process, including the release of an LSPS Guideline. It will also include sharing of data-sets by the Greater Sydney Commission and technical working groups, one these being focused on infrastructure.

Further to this, the LSPS will be aligned with the relevant Regional and District Plan that applies to the Council. These plans include components that focus on transport and infrastructure and have been developed in collaboration with Infrastructure NSW, Transport for NSW, each Council and the community.

(2) The Government population projections are prepared to inform a range of decisions, including how much housing an area will need for its future population. The projections are based on historical and projected population trends, including births, deaths and people moving in and out of an area. The form of housing in an area is determined by market factors and State and local planning controls.

*8739 WESTMEAD HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) When will Stage 1 of the redevelopment of Westmead Hospital be completed?

(2) What is the status of consideration of Stage 2?

Answer—

I am advised that construction for stage one of the Westmead redevelopment is expected to be completed in 2020 with refurbishment to follow.

In the 2018-19 State Budget, a portion of funds has been allocated to the Stage 2 redevelopment at The Children's Hospital, Westmead.

*8740 DRINKING WATER QUALITY—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) Is testing conducted for per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) by:

- (a) Sydney Water;
- (b) Hunter Water;
- (c) Water NSW?

(2) In the past 12 months (to 19 June 2018), on how many occasions has the drinking water quality value for PFAS exceeded the limits recommended by the Food Standards Australia New Zealand in the:

- (a) Sydney Water area of operations;
- (b) Hunter Water area of operations;
- (c) Water NSW area of operations?

Answer—

I am advised that:

(1) (a) Yes

(b) Yes.

(c) No. WaterNSW manages Sydney's drinking water catchments and the quality of water in the catchments. Monitoring of source water quality is based on consultation with NSW Health and Sydney Water Corporation, and on advice from Environment Protection Authority (EPA).

(2) (a) Sydney Water tests drinking water in accordance with the current Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

(b) Hunter Water tests drinking water in accordance with the current Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

(c) Water NSW monitors source water quality based on consultation with NSW Health and Sydney Water Corporation, and on advice from EPA

*8741 WEEKEND BUS AND RAIL CONNECTIONS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will consideration be given to improving transport services for the Central West by providing a bus

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connection from Orange with the train at Bathurst on weekends in addition to weekdays?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available on the Transport for NSW website.

*8742 IMPROVEMENT TO PASSENGER RAIL SERVICES—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will consideration be given to investing in improved passenger rail services from Orange to Lithgow by straightening bends which would decrease travel time, increase rail efficiency and improve passenger comfort?

Answer—

I am advised:

Future Transport 2056 is the Government's strategic vision for transport over the next 40 years to meet demands of predicted population growth. The Regional Services and Infrastructure Plan identifies a number of initiatives that will improve passenger services from Orange to Lithgow.

Extending the Bathurst commuter rail to Orange is identified for investigation within the 0 to 10 year timeframe. Service changes would support day return travel between Orange and Greater Sydney.

The extension of the electrified Intercity Rail network to Bathurst from Lithgow is identified for investigation in the 10 to 20 year timeframe.

In addition, infrastructure improvements to Main West Line to increase network capacity and relieve bottlenecks from growing demand are underway. These improvements will have benefits for regional freight and passenger rail services.

Further information is available on the Future Transport website.

*8743 STAMP DUTY REVENUE IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

How much revenue was generated by stamp duty in the Wallsend electorate in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2016-17?

Answer—

Data is collected by postcode, and not categorised by electorate. The information provided below reflects Stamp Duty for postcodes within the New South Wales electorate of Wallsend as per the NSW Electoral Commission website as at 27-Jun-2018. Note: these postcodes may be shared with neighbouring electorates.

2010-11 - \$27,440,832

2011-12 - \$27,662,772

2012-13 - \$36,710,372

2013-14 - \$46,177,160

2014-15 - \$50,260,225

2015-16 - \$55,573,311

2016-17 - \$80,401,522

Notes:

1. Data does not include nominal (fixed) duties transactions.

*8744 PUBLIC DEBT IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

(1) What was the public debt per capita in New South Wales in the 2016-17 financial year?

(2) What was the public debt per capita in New South Wales in the 2011-12 financial year?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Department of Finance, Services and Innovation does not hold this information.

*8745 PRIVATE DEBT IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What was the private debt per capita in New South Wales in the 2016-17 financial year?
- (2) What was the private debt per capita in New South Wales in the 2011-12 financial year?

Answer—

Department of Finance, Services and Innovation does not hold this information.

*8746 PERSONS DISCHARGED FROM BANKRUPTCY—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many people in New South Wales were discharged from bankruptcy in the 2016-17 financial year?
- (2) How many people in New South Wales were discharged from bankruptcy in the 2011-12 financial year?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Department of Finance, Services and Innovation does not hold this information.

*8747 RENTAL ACCOMMODATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What percentage of New South Wales households were living in rented accommodation in the:
 - (a) 2016-17 financial year;
 - (b) 2010-11 financial year?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation.

*8748 FORECLOSED MORTGAGES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many mortgages in New South Wales were foreclosed on in the 2016-17 financial year?
- (2) What was the total value of foreclosed mortgages in the 2016-17 financial year?

Answer—

- (1) 609
- (2) \$580,855,295.00

*8749 DECLARATION OF BANKRUPTCY—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many people in New South Wales declared bankruptcy in the 2016-17 financial year?
- (2) How many people in New South Wales declared bankruptcy in the 2011-12 financial year?

Answer—

Department of Finance, Services and Innovation does not hold this information.

*8750 2018-19 NSW BUDGET FOR EDUCATION—Mr Jihad Dib asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Where will the land purchases, as referred to in the Budget Estimates - Budget Paper No.3, Section 1.1, be made?
- (2) What processes were undertaken to audit school air conditioners?
- (3) What is the scope of the upgrades for Punchbowl Public School and Banksia Road Primary School announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?
 - (a) When will these upgrades commence and projected to be completed?
- (4) Of the 900 teachers announced in your joint media release with the Treasurer dated 18 June 2018, how many teachers will be additional to the current respective school staffing entitlement?

Answer—

I'm advised that:

Negotiations are currently underway to acquire land for new schools in areas with increasing enrolment demand. The locations of these sites are commercial-in-confidence.

School Infrastructure NSW conducted an audit of school facilities across the state. This included auditing all habitable spaces within schools to identify those that are air cooled.

The upgrades to Punchbowl Public School and Banksia Road Public School are in the planning phases, with the scope of works and project timelines currently being finalised.

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The 900 teaching positions forecast in the budget are an increase in the total number of positions the Department of Education requires from next year.

*8751 BOARDING HOUSES APPROVED UNDER THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What proportion of boarding houses approved under the Affordable Rental Housing State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) since it began get land tax exemptions and what proportion do not?

Answer—

Revenue NSW does not have this information.

The conditions entitling the owner of a boarding house to receive a land tax exemption are set out in guidelines approved by the Treasurer.

The information to be provided by an owner of a boarding house in support of an application for a land tax exemption is determined by the guidelines. The guidelines are contained in Revenue Ruling LT 102, which is available on the Revenue NSW website at www.revenue.nsw.gov.au/info/legislation/rulings/land.

*8752 SPEEDING OFFENCES ON WOODLAND ROAD, ST HELENS PARK—Mr Greg Warren asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

(1) How many speeding offences were recorded on Woodland Road, St Helens Park in each year from 2011 to 2018 (as at 15 May 2018)?

(a) How many of these offences were for exceeding the speed limit by:

- (i) Not more than 10 kilometres per hour;
- (ii) More than 10 kilometres per hour but not more than 20 kilometres per hour;
- (iii) More than 20 kilometres per hour but not more than 30 kilometres per hour;
- (iv) More than 30 kilometres per hour but not more than 45 kilometres per hour;
- (v) More than 45 kilometres per hour?

(b) How many of these offences were committed by:

- (i) Learner drivers;
- (ii) P1 Provisional licenced drivers;
- (iii) P2 Provisional licenced drivers;
- (iv) Unrestricted licenced drivers?

(2) How many speeding offences were recorded in the school zone outside Woodland Road Public School on Woodland Road, St Helens Park in each year from 2011 to 2018 (as at 15 May 2018)?

(a) How many of these offences were for exceeding the speed limit by:

- (i) Not more than 10 kilometres per hour;
- (ii) More than 10 kilometres per hour but not more than 20 kilometres per hour;
- (iii) More than 20 kilometres per hour but not more than 30 kilometres per hour;
- (iv) More than 30 kilometres per hour but not more than 45 kilometres per hour;
- (v) More than 45 kilometres per hour?

(b) How many of these offences were committed by:

- (i) Learner drivers;
- (ii) P1 Provisional licenced drivers;
- (iii) P2 Provisional licenced drivers;
- (iv) Unrestricted licenced drivers?

Answer—

Category	2011	2012	2013	2014	2017	Grand Total
Under 10 kilometres per hour	-	-	2	1	-	3
Over 10 kilometres per hour	1	3	3	2	2	11
Over 20 kilometres per hour	-	1	-	-	-	1
Grand Total	1	4	5	3	2	15

One of the Over 10 kilometres per hour;offences in 2017 was recorded as a school zone offence.

Notes:

1. Prepared on 29/06/2018 using data from the IMPSR database.
2. Includes penalty notices loaded to the IMPSR database on or before 29/06/2018.
3. Includes penalty notices with an offence date on or before 15 May 2018.
4. Includes penalties recorded as Woodland Road, Woodlands Road and Woodlands Street where the suburb is St Helens Park.
5. No offences were recorded in 2015, 2016 or 2018.
6. Offences are categorized according to the offence description.
7. No offences recorded include a licence class for the driver.

*8753 FORECAST OF REVENUE FROM FINES FOR MOBILE PHONE USE—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What is the forecast revenue from fines for mobile phone use in cars in each financial year from 2017-18 to 2020-21?

Answer—

Revenue NSW does not engage in forecasting revenue.

*8754 DOPPLER RADAR WEATHER STATIONS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) Where will the new Doppler radar weather stations announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget be located in Central and Western New South Wales?
 - (a) When will each station be installed?

Answer—

The Government is investing more than \$25 million to construct and operate three new Doppler Radar weather stations in the Central West and Far West of New South Wales, and is working with the Bureau of Meteorology to select the optimum location for the new radars in those regions.

Some of the factors to be considered in the selection of radar sites include the location of hills, trees, buildings and other objects that may block the radar beam, elevation of the site, nearby transmitting equipment that may interfere with the radar beam, geotechnical properties of the ground into which radar foundations will be placed, and location relative to the target areas for radar coverage.

The Government is working with the Bureau of Meteorology to confirm the specific radar sites and commence construction as soon as possible.

*8755 PARRAMATTA TO HURSTVILLE BUS CORRIDOR—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Has Transport for NSW or any other New South Wales government agency borne any of the cost of physically removing or relocating bus shelters and stops along the Parramatta to Hurstville bus corridor?
 - (a) How many shelters have been removed or relocated?
 - (b) How many shelters are scheduled to be removed or relocated?
 - (c) How many stops have been removed or relocated?
 - (d) How many stops are scheduled to be removed or relocated?
- (2) Is the Government or its agencies paying for these works?
 - (a) If not, what support is the Government providing to remove or relocate these shelters and stops?
- (3) What is the total cost of physically removing or relocating bus shelters and stops along the Parramatta to Hurstville bus corridor?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government's Bus Priority Infrastructure Program has offered funding to local councils where a number of bus stops have been removed or relocated to improve bus journey times and reliability. This includes adjustments to existing bus shelters, seats, bins or footpaths.

Information about the Bus Priority Infrastructure Program is available on the Roads and Maritime

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Services website.

*8756 WESTCONNEX COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS PROCESS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What skills and/or expertise will the organisation tasked with undertaking the comparative analysis process of potential WestConnex ancillary facility options at Haberfield be required to have?
 - (a) What is the methodology and timeline for this comparative analysis?
 - (b) What community consultation will be required as part of this comparative analysis?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex and Minister for Sport.

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*8757 NEW CHARLESTOWN SOCIAL HOUSING SUPPLY—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) Where is the new supply of social housing in the Charlestown electorate, as mentioned in the 2018-19 NSW Budget at a cost of \$7.291 million located?
- (2) Is this new supply a replacement for current out-dated social housing or is the new supply in addition to current supply in the Charlestown electorate?
- (3) How many people will be housed in this new supply of social housing?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question should be directed to the Minister for Social Housing.

*8758 COOKS RIVER CATCHMENT COASTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN SCOPING STUDY—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) What amount of funding has the Government committed towards a scoping study for a Cooks River Catchment Coastal Management Plan?
- (2) What is the timeline for the scoping study?
- (3) What agencies are responsible for delivering the scoping study?
- (4) Has the Government committed to developing a Coastal Management Plan beyond the scoping study?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (5) When will the Government commit to developing a Coastal Management Plan?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Since 2013, \$1.9 million in funding has been available under the Government's Coastal and Estuary Grants Program.
- (2) Each study is unique and timing varies.
- (3) The Cooks River Alliance will manage the scoping study with technical and financial support from the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH).
- (4) and (5) Local councils are responsible for developing Coastal Management Programs. Councils can apply for funding through the Government's Coastal and Estuary Grants Program.

*8759 FUNDING FOR CANTERBURY HOSPITAL—Ms Sophie Cotsis asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Considering the 2018-19 NSW Budget has allocated \$15 million to be divided between nine hospitals, including Canterbury Hospital, how much will be allocated for Canterbury Hospital?
 - (a) What will the money be spent on?
- (2) What are the Government's plans for the future of Canterbury Hospital in a growth region that is

expected to accommodate much higher densities of people?

- (3) How does the Government plan on Canterbury Hospital accommodating higher populations under the proposed Sydenham to Bankstown growth strategy?

Answer—

Exact allocations will be determined by the NSW Health following the 2018-19 Budget allocation for planning funds for future new works.

The projection of future hospital care needs for people in the Canterbury Hospital catchment is based on the most recent population projections for the state.

- *8760 NURSE-TO-PATIENT RATIOS IN PUBLIC HOSPITALS—Ms Sophie Cotsis asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Will the Government commit to introducing adequate nurse-to-patient ratios that will ensure the safe care of patients in New South Wales public hospitals?
 - (a) If so, what will the ratio be?
- (2) What is the Government doing to increase the number of nurses in the New South Wales public health care system and to maintain nurses in the system?
- (3) How does the Government propose to keep nurses when it continues with its frozen wages policy?
- (4) How many nurses are currently employed at Canterbury hospital (as at 20 June 2018)?
- (5) In the past twelve months (to 20 June 2018), on how many days have nurses with less than two years of experience, been left in charge of wards in Canterbury Hospital?

Answer—

Nurse and midwifery staffing in NSW Health hospitals is provided according to a flexible set of principles and rules set out in the Public Health System Nurses' and Midwives' (State) Award.

Between March 2011 and June 2017 an additional 6,700 nurses have been employed in NSW Health and in rural and regional areas the nursing workforce grew by 17 per cent. The employment of new graduate nurses and midwives has risen from 1,600 new graduates in 2010 to 2,400 available new graduate positions in 2018. From 2 July this year nurses and midwives also received a further 2.5 per cent wage increase.

Canterbury Hospital continues to provide normal professional development for nurses following completion of the Charge of Shift course.

- *8761 ROUTE 110 BUS MARSHALS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Has the number of on-site 110 bus route marshals at the Wickham Interchange been reduced?

Answer—

I am advised:

Newcastle Transport provided bus marshals at the Interchange to assist with the roll out of the new timetable. Due to the current building activity and traffic conditions, a bus marshal continues to assist with customer services.

- *8762 FAILED E-SAFETY CHECKS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What is the Government doing to prevent mechanics from failing e-safety checks to increase revenue?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

- *8763 SCRUBBY CREEK WINDALE—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) When will negotiations regarding land parcels in and around Scrubby Creek Windale, between the Department of Housing and Lake Macquarie Council, be finalised?
- (2) Are the rehabilitation works for Scrubby Creek Windale on track to commence in September?
- (3) When is the Scrubby Creek rehabilitation to be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

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This question should be directed to the Minister for Social Housing.

- *8764 PUBLIC HOUSING VACANCY TIME PERIODS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

Does the Department of Family and Community Services have a record of the average time between public housing properties in the Charlestown electorate becoming vacant and subsequently being tenanted from 1 July 2017 to 31 March 2018?

Answer—

I am advised that the number of public housing properties that are vacant changes frequently as properties are vacated by tenants and prepared for reletting.

- *8765 HILLSBOROUGH ROAD SPENDING—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

How much of the \$4 million for planning and pre-construction to widen Hillsborough Road to four lanes between Warners Bay and the Newcastle Inner City Bypass (as outlined in the Government's 2015-19 Election Commitments) has been spent to date?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government's election commitment was \$4 million for planning and pre-construction to widen Hillsborough Road to four lanes between Warners Bay and the Newcastle Inner City Bypass. I understand the planning work is well underway.

- *8766 CONSUMER CREDIT—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Is there a cap on interest rates offered to consumers by creditors?
- (2) Is there a minimum monthly payment requirement for 'interest free periods' within a consumer credit contract?

Answer—

Regulation of consumer credit is the responsibility of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

The New South Wales Government has invested in financial counselling positions across the State. People experiencing financial distress can visit www.fcan.com.au or call 1300 914 408 to find a financial counsellor in their local area.

- *8767 GREATER SYDNEY SPORTS FACILITY FUND—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that sporting groups in the local government areas of Wollongong, Newcastle and the Blue Mountains are not eligible to apply for the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund?
- (2) Can the Minister confirm that sporting groups in the local government areas of Wollongong, Newcastle and the Blue Mountains are not eligible to apply for the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund?
- (3) Why are sporting groups in the local government areas of Wollongong, Newcastle and the Blue Mountains ineligible to apply for both the metropolitan and regional sporting infrastructure funds?
- (4) On what basis was eligibility for the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund determined?
- (5) On what basis was eligibility for the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund determined?
- (6) Have any other local government areas been determined to be ineligible for both the Regional Sports Infrastructure Fund and the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund?

Answer—

- (1) and (3) Eligible local government areas are specified in the Guidelines for each grant program.
- (2) and (5) The Blue Mountains local government area is eligible under the Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund. The Newcastle and Wollongong local government areas are not eligible.
- (4) The Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund supports the work of the Greater Sydney Commission in planning for the five Greater Sydney Districts.
- (6) Eligible local government areas are specified in the Guidelines for each grant program.

*8768 NSW BUDGET 2018-19 SLEEPING BAGS AND BABY WRAPS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Are the sleeping bags and baby wraps to be made available to new mothers announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget made in New South Wales?
 - (a) If so, which company has been contracted to procure the sleeping bags and baby wraps?
 - (b) If not, from where have the sleeping bags and baby wraps been sourced and from which company?
- (2) What is the total cost of this measure?
- (3) On what date will the measure start?
- (4) Will the sleeping bags and baby wraps contain any slogans or NSW Government branding?

Answer—

These questions should be directed to the Minister for Health and Medical Research.

*8769 ELIGIBILITY FOR SPORTING GRANTS WOLLONGONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

Further to LA Q8223 about the exclusion of the Wollongong local government area from eligibility under the \$100 million Greater Sydney Sports Facility Fund, is the Minister aware that all local government areas are eligible to apply for the Local Sports Grant Program, the Community Building Partnerships Program and Liquor and Gaming's Infrastructure Grants?

Answer—

The Local Sport Grant Program and Community Building Partnership Program are allocated by electorate and Infrastructure Grants are available to all local government areas in New South Wales.

*8770 RESOURCES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM WOLLONGONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) How many applications have been received from the Wollongong local government area for grants under the Resources for Regions program since March 2011 (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (2) How many grants have been awarded from the Resources for Regions program to organisations in the Wollongong local government area?
 - (a) What are the details of each of these grants and what was the amount awarded?

Answer—

- (1) Eighteen applications were received for Resources for Regions funding from applicants in the Wollongong local government area since 2011 (Rounds 1 to 5).
- (2) Grants awarded under the Resources for Regions program are publicly announced. Infrastructure New South Wales, an independent statutory agency of the New South Wales Government, assess and recommend projects.

*8771 TRAINS CARRIAGE MAINTENANCE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Further to LA Q8314 about additional carriages provided for South Coast Line rail services during Seniors Week, what is the average length of the maintenance cycle for individual carriages?
- (2) What is the average time between maintenance for individual carriages?
- (3) What is the average length of time for individual carriages not being used while they are repaired?
- (4) How often are individual carriages scheduled for maintenance?
- (5) What are the major repairs undertaken to carriages during maintenance?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The average length of the maintenance cycle/time between maintenance for individual train carriages varies by fleet type and the type of inspection required/maintenance being performed.
- (3) The average length of time is dependent on the repairs required.
- (4) Individual carriages are scheduled for maintenance as required.
- (5) The level of repair is dependent on the faults requiring rectification. This can vary significantly from carriage to carriage.

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*8772 ILLAWARRA SHOALHAVEN SPORT AND ACTIVE RECREATION PLAN 2018-23—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that the Office of Sport's Regional and Active Recreation Plan includes the Wollongong local government area in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Sport and Active Recreation Plan 2018-23?
- (2) Can the Minister confirm that outcomes of this plan include increased participation and improved access to sport?
- (3) Does the draft plan recognise the need to upgrade and improve sporting and recreational facilities in the Illawarra Shoalhaven region, including in Wollongong?
- (4) How is it possible to implement the Illawarra Shoalhaven Sport and Active Recreation Plan 2018-23 if the Wollongong local government area is excluded from eligibility under regional and metropolitan funding programs?
- (5) Which 17 sporting organisations were consulted in the development of the draft plan?
 - (a) How were these specific organisations selected?

Answer—

(1), (2) and (3) Yes.

(4) Organisations that are eligible to apply for NSW Government funding are specified in all grant program guidelines.

(5) 85 organisations from across the sport, government and non-government sectors were invited to participate in the development of the Illawarra Shoalhaven draft Regional Sport and Active Recreation Plan. Of that, 45 organisations accepted the invitation to attend the Illawarra Shoalhaven Regional Planning Day.

(a) The Office of Sport has developed a six-partner stakeholder group model, as part of its reform to its regional service delivery to improve stakeholder engagement. The organisations consulted all come from one of the six partner groups – (1) sport and active recreation organisations; (2) local government; (3) Regional Academies of Sport; (4) State and Commonwealth Government; (5) other sector partners; and the (6) Office of Sport.

*8773 TRAIN STATION SIGNAGE UPGRADES WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What was the total cost of upgrading signage at Wollongong Station?
- (2) Have funds been allocated to upgrade signage at each of the following stations:
 - (a) Towradgi;
 - (b) Fairy Meadow;
 - (c) North Wollongong;
 - (d) Coniston;
 - (e) Cringila;
 - (f) Port Kembla North;
 - (g) Port Kembla?
 - (i) If so, on what date will the signage upgrades commence and be completed for each of the stations listed?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW is delivering an integrated approach to wayfinding and signage across the New South Wales transport network. The signage provides consistent and easy-to-follow visual messages to make public transport easier for customers to use, particularly when changing modes and taking unfamiliar journeys. Works at these stations are scheduled to be completed between October 2018 and March 2019.

*8774 STAFF AT CANTERBURY HOSPITAL—Ms Sophie Cotsis asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many vacant positions of employment were at Canterbury Hospital in April 2011?
- (2) How many vacant positions of employment are at Canterbury Hospital as at 20 June 2018?
- (3) What is the composition of employment at Canterbury Hospital?
 - (a) What proportion of these employees are employed on a:
 - (i) Full-time basis;
 - (ii) Part-time basis;

(iii) Casual basis?

- (4) What proportion of total employees working at Canterbury Hospital are employed by the NSW Public Service?
- (5) How many employees at Canterbury Hospital are contractors, sub-contractors or employed by an agency? What is the annual trend in these figures in each year from 2013 to 2018?

Answer—

Recruitment processes at Canterbury Hospital are conducted in accordance with NSW Ministry of Health recruitment guidelines.

The majority of the workforce at Canterbury Hospital are employed by the NSW Health Service. In addition, agency contractors and contingent workers are used by Canterbury Hospital to cover unplanned leave and vacancies. Visiting Medical Officers (VMOs) are engaged under contract arrangements as provided for under the Health Services Act 1997.

*8775 REVENUE COLLECTION—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How much revenue from stamp duty has been collected from residential property transactions between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
 - (a) Heathcote;
 - (b) Keira;
 - (c) Wollongong;
 - (d) Shellharbour;
 - (e) Kiama?
- (2) How much revenue from payroll tax has been collected from residential property transactions between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
 - (a) Heathcote;
 - (b) Keira;
 - (c) Wollongong;
 - (d) Shellharbour;
 - (e) Kiama?
- (3) How much revenue from land tax has been collected from residential property transactions between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
 - (a) Heathcote;
 - (b) Keira;
 - (c) Wollongong;
 - (d) Shellharbour;
 - (e) Kiama?
- (4) How much revenue from fines has been collected from residential property transactions between 1 July and 30 June for each of the financial years from 2011 to 2018 from post codes in the electorates of:
 - (a) Heathcote;
 - (b) Keira;
 - (c) Wollongong;
 - (d) Shellharbour;
 - (e) Kiama?
- (5) How much total revenue has been collected from gambling and betting taxes between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018?
- (6) Is the Wollongong local government area subject to the Parking Space Levy?
- (7) How much revenue has been collected from the Waste and Environmental Levy between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018 from the in the Illawarra region?

Answer—

- (1) Please see Appendix B.
- (2) Payroll tax is not imposed on residential property transactions.
- (3) Land tax is not imposed on specific residential property transactions, it applies to the landowner's total value of taxable land held as at midnight on 31 December each year.
- (4) Fines are not imposed on residential property transactions.

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- (5) \$2,061,910,000.
(6) Wollongong Local Government Area is not subject to Parking Space Levy.
(7) Revenue NSW does not administer the Waste and Environmental Levy.

*8776 TENANCY APPLICATIONS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

- (1) Are people required to submit copies of their bank statements when seeking a rental tenancy?
(2) What privacy protections does a tenant have regarding the information that landlords and real estate agents are requiring in tenancy applications?

Answer—

(1) The Residential Tenancies Act 2010 is silent on what documents are required to be submitted when a prospective tenant applies for a residential tenancy.

According to information available on the website of the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner, a real estate agent covered by the Privacy Act 1988, must only collect information that is necessary for the purpose, in this case, for assessing a tenancy application.

(2) The Property Stock and Business Agents Regulation 2014 includes Rules of Conduct for licensees and registered persons.

Rule 7 in Schedule 1, relates specifically to confidentiality of information and provides that an agent must not, at any time, use or disclose confidential information obtained while acting on behalf of a client or dealing with a customer.

The only exemption to this is when the client or customer authorises the disclosure, or the agent is permitted or compelled by law to disclose the information.

The Residential Tenancies Act 2010 is silent on the confidentiality requirements of landlords. General privacy obligations imposed on private businesses are regulated by the Commonwealth.

*8777 OFFLINE BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

How many times have Fire & Rescue NSW's Bronto Aerial Appliances gone offline due to a breakdown or malfunctioning components since 1 July 2017 (to 20 June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

Fire & Rescue NSW's Bronto appliances went offline on various occasions in the specified timeframe due to breakdown, failure, accident or unplanned event. Service exchange vehicles were, and continue to be, used to cover planned and unplanned events.

*8778 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE APPLICATIONS PROCESSING—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Attorney General—

- (1) What is the current processing time for a Justice of the Peace reappointment?
(2) What is the current processing time for a new Justice of the Peace application?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Department of Justice assesses each application for appointment or reappointment as a Justice of the Peace individually in accordance with the Justices of the Peace Act 2002 and the Justices of the Peace Regulation 2014. As such, processing times vary for each application.

*8779 SPECIALIST HOMELESSNESS SERVICES REGULATORY FRAMEWORK—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

What is the regulatory framework that exists between specialist homelessness services and Family and Community Services relating to children under 18 and no longer in the care of the family, or in out of home care seeking access to shelter and associated support?

Answer—

I welcome the Ombudsman's More than shelter special report released in June and its recommendations, which the Government will implement.

As an immediate response, the Government will invest \$4.3 million over three years to introduce nine non-government therapeutic case workers to work with unaccompanied children who present to homelessness services.

Children aged 12 to 15 years seeking assistance who present alone to homelessness services are highly vulnerable. Many have experienced family and relationship breakdowns, domestic and family violence or are in crisis.

We need to do more to work with children, their families, communities, non-government agencies and across government departments to address this.

I have directed the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) to commence implementation of the Ombudsman's recommendations. Some of this work is already underway but I believe we can do more.

We will work collaboratively with vulnerable young people, service providers and child protection specialists to improve the model of care. FACS will also identify how better to prevent children becoming homeless, as well as resolve any legal uncertainty.

Family and Community Services will also investigate options for delivering better support services to young people at risk of homelessness.

This report shows the Government's focus on youth homelessness through the Premier's Priority and the NSW Homelessness Strategy is the right approach.

*8780 ASHTONFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE NSW BUDGET 2018-19—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the scope of the upgrade for Ashtonfield Public School announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?
- (2) When will this upgrade commence and when is it projected to be completed?
- (3) How much will the project cost?

Answer—

I'm advised that the upgrade project for Ashtonfield Public School is in the planning stage and that the scope of works is still to be finalised. The value of the project is currently commercial-in-confidence.

*8781 WEEKEND WORKERS PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPTIONS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Are there any public transport options which allow weekend workers to travel to the industrial areas of Forestville and Frenchs Forest on weekends to arrive for work at 7:00 am?
- (2) What plans are there for public transport services for hospital workers employed in the new Northern Beaches Hospital which is due to open by the end of 2018?
- (3) Will the Minister take action to ensure that the weekend bus timetables from transport hubs such as Warringah Mall or Chatswood Station are able to accommodate shift workers in Forestville and Frenchs Forest who need to start work at 7:00 am?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) and (3) Transport for NSW will deliver more than 1,000 extra weekly services on the Northern Beaches to improve access to the new hospital and meet the growing demand in the Frenchs Forest area. This will also ensure improved weekend services from key transport hubs to Forestville and Frenchs Forest.

*8782 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) How many Bronto Aerial Appliances does Fire & Rescue NSW have as at 20 June 2018?
 - (a) How many are operational?

Answer—

I am advised:

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As at 20 June 2018, Fire & Rescue NSW had twelve Brontos.

On 20 June 2018, eight Brontos were operational (three were offline due to breakdown or malfunctioning components and one was undergoing a scheduled service).

*8783 M1 TO RAYMOND TERRACE EXTENSION FUNDING—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) Does the Government intend to deliver construction funding for the M1 to Raymond Terrace extension?

(a) If so, when?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has committed \$200 million under Rebuilding NSW to get the project ready for construction. Timing for construction is dependent on Commonwealth Government funding.

*8784 DEFENCE INDUSTRY INVESTMENT FUNDING BUDGET 2018-19—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

(1) Was any additional funding for the defence industry in New South Wales included in the 2018-19 Budget?

(a) If so, will any of this funding be spent in the Hunter region?

Answer—

Additional measures are included in the 2018-19 Budget to benefit all industries in New South Wales, including the defence industry.

For example, over the next four years, the payroll tax threshold will be increased progressively from its current level of \$750,000 to \$1.0 million. The increased thresholds will reduce the number of New South Wales small businesses subject to payroll tax by around 2,000 in 2018-19. This will grow to around 5,000 in 2021-22, of which around 1,500 are expected to be based outside of Sydney. All industry sectors are expected to benefit from this reform.

Expenditure on tertiary, technical and further education is \$2.1 billion in 2018-19, including 100,000 fee-free apprenticeships under Smart and Skilled to improve the take up of apprenticeships, including defence industry apprenticeships.

Collectively, these education measures contribute significantly to improving the pipeline of skilled workers into a range of technologically advanced industries such as defence industries.

The Government also continues to support the Hunter Region through a range of initiatives. This includes the continued funding of STEMship, a flagship skilling and training program administered and managed by Regional Development Australia - Hunter to support the defence industry in the Hunter region. This scheme enables NSW based Defence businesses to gain access to the future workforce through early investments in vocational skills training. The NSW Government is contributing an additional \$408,000 to maintain and expand this program in 2018-19.

This work also builds upon the 2017 investment by the Government into the redevelopment of the Carrington Slipway in Newcastle, an investment targeted at attracting further civil and naval sustainment work in the Hunter region.

The Government continues to work with defence industry stakeholders, and the Commonwealth Government, to advance the development of defence industry in all regions of New South Wales.

Supported by New South Wales' Defence Advocate, Air Marshal (retired) John Harvey AM, the Defence NSW team is executing the NSW Defence and Industry Strategy: Strong, Smart and Connected. The aim of this Strategy is to support Defence and to create the conditions for sustainable, technologically advanced and globally competitive defence industries across the state, including in the Hunter region.

*8785 KANGY ANGY RAIL MAINTENANCE FACILITY—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

(1) Has the Groundwater Management Plan for the Intercity Fleet Maintenance Facility in Kangy Angy required under the Commonwealth Government approval (EPBC 2016/7681) been submitted to your Department?

- (a) Has this been approved?
- (b) Will the Groundwater Management Plan be made public once approved?
- (2) Has the Biodiversity Offsets Strategy been prepared and has it been submitted for approval by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and the Commonwealth Department of the Environment and Energy?
 - (a) Will the Strategy be made public once approved?

Answer—

(1) (a) and (b) The Groundwater Management Plan has been submitted to the Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) as part of an application for a water supply work approval and an application for a Part 5 Water Act 1912 licence for dewatering. The application is being processed. The Groundwater Management Plan was approved by the Commonwealth and can be viewed on the Transport for NSW website at the following link:

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/new-intercity-fleet-program-maintenance-facility>

(2) The Biodiversity Offsets Strategy has been approved by the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and the Commonwealth Department of Environment and Energy.

(a) The Biodiversity Offsets Strategy can be viewed on the Transport for NSW website at the following link:

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/new-intercity-fleet-program-maintenance-facility>

*8786 EASY ACCESS LIFTS FOR VILLAWOOD RAILWAY STATION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Where does Villawood Railway Station place within the priority list for Easy Access Upgrades?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8625.

*8787 FULL TIME EQUIVALENT FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFF—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What is the total number of full time equivalent staff that have been funded in the 2018-19 NSW Budget to provide:
 - (a) Early Intervention Support;
 - (b) Statutory Child Protection Services;
 - (c) Homelessness Services;
 - (d) Out of Home Care Services;
 - (e) Social Housing Assistance and Tenancy Support?

Answer—

I am advised that information about the Family and Community Services Budget is available in the NSW Budget Paper No. 3 2018-19 (BP3), published by NSW Treasury and available on the NSW Budget website at <https://www.budget.nsw.gov.au>.

*8788 2018-19 BUDGET FUNDING PROVIDED TO FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How much funding has the 2018-19 NSW Budget provided to each of the following Family and Community Services Districts:
 - (a) Central Coast;
 - (b) Far West;
 - (c) Hunter New England;
 - (d) Illawarra Shoalhaven;
 - (e) Mid North Coast;
 - (f) Murrumbidgee;
 - (g) Nepean Blue Mountains;

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- (h) Northern NSW;
- (i) Northern Sydney;
- (j) South Eastern Sydney;
- (k) South Western Sydney;
- (l) Southern NSW;
- (m) Sydney;
- (n) Western NSW;
- (o) Western Sydney?

Answer—

The 2018-19 Budget invests more than over \$2 billion to protect and support our most vulnerable children, young people and families.

I am advised the 2018-19 Budget allocates \$740 million more for child protection and out-of-home care services than in our first budget in 2011/12. That is a 66 per cent increase in our investment in child protection and out-of-home care since we came to government.

On top of increased investment in previous Budgets, the 2018/19 Budget will invest an additional \$59 million over four years to help protect vulnerable children and young people and find a safe home for life. This will mean an additional 78 caseworkers, 10 casework support workers and 12 casework managers over the next two years. This money also includes \$17 million to help the Government achieve our goal of more than 1,000 open adoptions over the next four years.

*8789 BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR RAILWAY STATIONS IN THE BANKSTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Why was capital works funding not allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget for the installation of easy access lifts at:
- (a) Chester Hill Railway Station;
 - (b) Birrong Railway Station;
 - (c) Yagoona Railway Station;
 - (d) Villawood Railway Station?

Answer—

I am advised

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8625

*8790 BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL CAR PARK—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Considering the allocation of \$25 million to upgrade Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget, how much of this will go towards upgrading the hospital's car park?

Answer—

The Government commitment of \$25 million in the 2018-19 State Budget is for the upgrade of the Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital Emergency Department.

*8791 MENTAL HEALTH UNITS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

Will you initiate an independent inquiry into the resourcing and capacity of Hornsby Hospital's Mental Health Intensive Care Unit and all mental health units across New South Wales?

Answer—

The Public Accounts Committee is currently conducting an inquiry into the management of health care delivery in New South Wales, which includes the mental health system in New South Wales. The NSW Chief Psychiatrist also led an independent review into the seclusion, restraint and observation in NSW Mental Health units which examined staffing numbers and clinical practice. A copy of that review is available at <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/patients/mentalhealth/Documents/report-seclusion-restraint-observation.pdf>.

*8792 GLENVALE SCHOOL PERIMETER FENCE REPAIR—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Education—

When will the repair to the perimeter fence at Glenvale School at North Entrance be completed?

Answer—

I'm advised repairs to Glenvale School's perimeter fence will be completed in the coming school term.

*8793 PALLIATIVE CARE FUNDING PORT STEPHENS AND THE HUNTER—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Of the \$100 million allocated to palliative care in 2017, how much has been, or will be, spent in:
 - (a) Port Stephens;
 - (b) The Hunter?

Answer—

I refer the member to my previous response to LA Q8194.

*8794 JOBS CREATED BY THE ILLAWARRA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Mr Ryan Park asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

How many jobs has the Illawarra Infrastructure Fund created as at 20 June 2018?

Answer—

The Illawarra Infrastructure Fund improves infrastructure in the Illawarra, using proceeds from the long-term lease of Port Kembla.

Twelve priority infrastructure projects received funding from the \$100 million Restart NSW Illawarra Infrastructure Fund. These projects include aged and healthcare facilities, a technology hub, facilities for people with disabilities, pedestrian and cycle links, road links and tourism infrastructure.

These infrastructure projects have delivered growth to the Illawarra region after 16 years of neglect under the last government. This investment has helped deliver an unemployment rate of 4.7 percent for the Illawarra region in May 2018, lower than the NSW average unemployment rate.

*8795 WESTCONNEX AIR POLLUTION—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) Considering that the air quality monitor at St Peters Public School opposite the WestConnex St Peters Interchange construction site recorded the highest average levels of PM 10 and PM 2.5 of any Sydney monitoring site during the first three months of this year, what has the Minister done to protect the community against this harmful pollution?
- (2) What action has the Minister taken in response to community representations regarding the exceedances of PM 10 and PM 2.5 at the Haberfield Public School in March this year?
- (3) Given reports of heavy levels of dust contamination in St Peters and Haberfield and within local school grounds - St Peters Public School, St Pius Public School, Haberfield Public School and others, will the Minister take action to enforce strict dust controls on WestConnex construction sites?
- (4) Will the Minister assure families living in the area and parents of students attending St Peters Public School, St Pius Public School and Haberfield Public School that the dust pollution and levels of PM10 and PM 2.5 which have been increasing since WestConnex works started, do not pose a health risk to local communities?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1), (3) and (4) The New M5 and New M4 projects implement best practice measures to manage dust generated by construction. These measures include stabilising exposed earth using sticky binding spray, water sprays, and water carts during earth work activities and on internal roads inside the construction sites.

(2) Members of the Haberfield Public School community attended a meeting at the school on 11 April 2018 with Sydney Motorway Corporation representatives, including an air quality specialist and staff from School Infrastructure NSW.

An air quality specialist from Roads and Maritime Services provided information about the cause of the exceedances (controlled burnoffs in the Blue Mountains) and parents were able to discuss their concerns.

Sydney Motorway Corporation has installed air monitoring equipment on the school site, and an independent environmentalist has been engaged to interpret the data.

Roads and Maritime Services, Sydney Motorway Corporation and the New M4 contractor continue to communicate with the school community regarding this matter.

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*8796 HOUSING ALLOCATION STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) Since the trial Inner City Local Housing Allocation Strategy has been in operation, how many people have consented to criminal record checks by submitting the Family and Community Services (FACS) consent authority form (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (2) How many people who have been contacted haven't responded?
- (3) How many people have been excluded on the basis of the criminal record checks?
- (4) What consultation has occurred with specific stakeholder organisations?
- (5) What protocols are in place regarding the information obtained by FACS in terms of privacy protection for potential tenants?

Answer—

I am advised that information regarding the Inner City Local Allocation Strategy is available on the Family and Community Services website at

www.facs.nsw.gov.au/housingfactsheets/inner-city-local-allocation-strategy.

*8797 ONE CLICK ENERGY SWITCH WOLLONGONG ELECTORATE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

How will residents in the Wollongong electorate access the 'One Click Energy Switch' from Service NSW if this service is only available from five trial sites located nowhere near the Service NSW located at Wollongong and Warrawong?

Answer—

The One-Click Energy Switch is a part of the Cost of Living initiative. Service NSW will pilot this service in coming months across Service Centres in Wynyard, Lismore, Parramatta, Taree and Wetherill Park, with a wider State rollout later this year.

*8798 FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS IN THE CAMPBELLTOWN ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Warren asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Considering the population growth set to occur in the Campbelltown region in the coming years and decades, why were no new schools or school upgrades in the Campbelltown electorate included in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?
- (2) How many additional demountable classrooms will be installed in schools in the Campbelltown electorate?

Answer—

I'm advised:

School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) is closely monitoring population growth in the Campbelltown region and is undertaking strategic studies on future school requirements for the area.

*8799 STAGE 2 REDEVELOPMENT OF CAMPBELLTOWN HOSPITAL—Mr Greg Warren asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) On what date is construction for the Stage 2 redevelopment of Campbelltown Hospital anticipated to commence?
- (2) What increases in recurrent funding for Campbelltown Hospital are planned to ensure the new facilities delivered as part of the Stage 2 redevelopment are appropriately staffed and resourced?

Answer—

The stage two Campbelltown Hospital redevelopment's early and enabling works will commence in early 2019 with main works anticipated to commence mid-2019.

A Financial Impact Statement (FIS) has been completed for the Campbelltown Hospital redevelopment business case which will inform workforce and recurrent funding requirements.

Service activity in new facilities is negotiated between the Ministry of Health and the Local Health District as part of the annual Service Agreement process.

*8800 FUNDING FOR THE UPGRADE OF APPIN ROAD—Mr Greg Warren asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What works does the Government intend to carry out with the \$1 million of funding allocated to the

upgrade of Appin Road in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

- (2) Will the planned upgrades include any wildlife overpasses/underpasses and exclusion fencing to protect local koala populations?
- (3) When does the Government intend on committing funds towards the full upgrade to Appin Road into a dual carriageway?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) The 2018-19 funding has been provided to support the planning and environmental assessment of upgrading Appin Road to dual carriageway between Ambarvale and Mount Gilead. Koala fencing is included in the proposed upgrade.

(3) A further \$50 million funding from the Commonwealth Government has been committed for safety upgrades along Appin Road, south of Mount Gilead.

*8801 ADDITIONAL COMMUTER CAR PARK FOR CAMPBELLTOWN STATION—Mr Greg Warren asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) On which site does the Government intend to build the additional 450-space commuter car park for Campbelltown Station as featured in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?
- (2) What consideration was given to the construction of a multi-storey commuter car park on the site of the existing at-grade commuter car park on Farrow Road?
 - (a) Why did the Government reject such an option?

Answer—

I am advised:

Since 2015, Transport for NSW (TfNSW) has undertaken extensive negotiations with Campbelltown City Council to identify a suitable location for the proposed commuter car park. TfNSW has investigated a number of sites in Campbelltown, including on Farrow Road. TfNSW's preferred location was 4 Farrow Road Campbelltown, which belongs to Council. Regrettably, Council is not supportive of this proposal. Additionally, Council stated that it would only consider allowing TfNSW to lease and build a car park on 4 Farrow Road if the lease on the existing at-grade car park at 6 Farrow Road was terminated. TfNSW advised Council that it would not terminate the lease as it provides for about 650 parking spaces. Under the terms of the lease, if Council sells 6 Farrow Road, it would be required to replace the 650 parking spaces. The terms of the lease designate Council to design, construct, operate and maintain the car park. Council retains ownership of the land and there are no rights for TfNSW to undertake any works on the land.

*8802 ALLOCATION OF FUNDING—Mr Greg Warren asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

What is the Government's justification for prioritising the knock-down and rebuild of the Allianz Stadium ahead of the Stage 2 redevelopment of Campbelltown Hospital by at least two years in the 2018-19 Budget?

Answer—

The 2018-19 Budget reflects the strong fiscal and economic position of the State. This strong budget position means the Government is able to invest in critical economic infrastructure and essential social infrastructure at the same time.

The Government aims to provide world class healthcare to the people of New South Wales. This can be seen through a record \$8.0 billion investment in health infrastructure over four years to continue the major capital program to provide new health facilities, upgrades, and redevelopments. This includes funding of \$632 million for Stage 2 of the Campbelltown Hospital Redevelopment.

Over the past 7 years, the Liberal and National Government has invested more in health and hospital infrastructure, than the New South Wales Labor Government invested in all of its 16 years.

The Government is also committed to providing the best sporting infrastructure for the people of New South Wales. This is shown through the commitment of funding to commence the \$729 million redevelopment of the Sydney Football Stadium, as well as funding to complete the construction of the \$360 million Western Sydney Stadium.

It took a Liberal and National Government to deliver Stage 1 of Campbelltown Hospital and only a Liberal and National Government will deliver Stage 2 of the Campbelltown Hospital Redevelopment.

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If Labor were in government, there would be no Stage 1 or Stage 2 of Campbelltown Hospital and no investment in our stadiums

*8803 PAYROLL TAX REBATES AND GRANTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What is the total dollar amount of payroll tax rebates that have been provided from 2011 to 21 June 2018 year-by-year?
- (2) How many grants have been awarded each year from 2011 to 21 June 2018 for businesses with:
 - (a) Less than 5 full time equivalent employees;
 - (b) Between 6 and 15 full time equivalent employees;
 - (c) Between 16 and 25 full time equivalent employees;
 - (d) Between 26 and 50 full time equivalent employees;
 - (e) Over 50 full time equivalent employees?
- (3) What is the value and number of grants awarded under the Government's Jobs Action Plan in all years since its inception to 21 June 2018, disaggregated by electorate, to businesses with total annual turnover as follows:
 - (a) Zero to \$2 million;
 - (b) \$2 million to \$5 million;
 - (c) \$10 million to \$20 million;
 - (d) \$21 million or more?

Answer—

(1) 2011-12 - 0

2012-13 - \$10,905,160

2013-14 - \$39,877,674

2014-15 - \$64,087,558

2015-16 - \$257,558,859

2016-17 - \$161,159,704

2017-18 - \$134,685,188

(2)

Number of FTE	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
5 or less	70	236	217	360	147	166
6 to 15	418	1,301	1,769	2,782	1,397	1,734
16 to 25	570	1,619	2,187	3,964	1,957	2,422
26 to 50	1,144	3,527	4,985	11,226	6,049	6,710
more than 50	3,235	14,751	28,764	124,495	79,108	59,323

(3) This information is not available as Revenue NSW does not collect information on a business annual turnover.

Notes:

All responses included data up to and including 30 June 2018.

The term 'grants' has been taken to be a Jobs Action Plan anniversary payment.

*8804 ROAD SAFETY—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What is the injury threshold for vehicle accidents to be reported by:
 - (a) NSW Health;
 - (b) The State Insurance Regulatory Authority;
 - (c) icare;
 - (d) The NSW Police Force?
- (2) How is data collected on vehicle accidents in incidents where there has not been a report from:
 - (a) NSW Health;
 - (b) The State Insurance Regulatory Authority;

- (c) icare;
- (d) The NSW Police Force?
- (3) What data is collected about accidents or property damage from vehicle accidents which were not reported to the NSW Police Force?
- (4) What advice is sought from local government areas concerning vehicle accidents in their areas?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) This is a matter for the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research.
- (b) This is a matter for the State Insurance Regulatory Authority.
- (c) This is a matter for icare.
- (d) This is a matter for the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services.
- (2) and (3) No data will be collected if there is no report to NSW Police, no claim made to State Insurance Regulatory Authority, and no presentation at a hospital.
- (4) Local government is encouraged to nominate local areas of concern and apply for funding from road safety infrastructure programs, including the NSW Safer Roads Program and the Commonwealth Black Spot Program.

*8805 MOUNT OUSLEY INTERCHANGE PROJECT WORKS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) Considering the \$3 million allocated to the Mount Ousley Interchange project, when will the next round of work be undertaken?
 - (a) What specific work will be undertaken?
 - (b) When will this work be completed?
 - (c) Once this work is completed will the project be shovel ready?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The Government allocated \$3 million in the 2018-19 Budget to begin detailed design work for the M1 Princes Motorway interchange at the base of Mount Ousley. This work will take place during the 2018-19 financial year.
- (3) The budget funds will allow geotechnical investigations to be completed in 2019.
- (4) Work will continue until the project is shovel ready.

*8806 OPAL SUNDAY FARE CAP—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What would be the forecast annual cost of extending the Opal card Sunday travel cap to public holidays which fall on other days of the week?
- (2) Has the extension of the Sunday fare cap been considered?

Answer—

I am advised:

Transport for NSW does not have a forecast annual cost for such an initiative.

*8807 HOMELESSNESS FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) Considering the media release issued on 10 June 2018 titled NSW Budget: A Place to Call Home \$1 billion to curb homelessness in New South Wales, will you rule out funding transitional housing arrangements for families and children that include staying in motels, pub accommodation and caravan parks:
 - (a) In the Hunter region;
 - (b) In the North Coast region;
 - (c) In the Central Coast region?
 - (d) Across New South Wales?
- (2) Will any proposed announcements deliver permanent housing?
 - (a) If so, please specify details?

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Answer—

I am advised that in 2018-19, the Government will allocate \$280.7 million for homelessness initiatives, including \$202.8 million to specialist homelessness services across New South Wales. This represents a 46 per cent increase in funding for specialists homelessness services since 2013-14.

The Government committed more than \$1 billion on homelessness services over the next four years which includes new funding of \$61 million over four years to implement the NSW Homelessness Strategy. The Strategy sets out the government's five year plan for a comprehensive approach to prevent and improve the response to homelessness.

I am advised that in the year ahead we will see the continuation of a strong, nation-leading pipeline of new social and affordable housing and support, including:

- \$2.4 billion in capital spending over the four years to 2021-22 for housing and social infrastructure;
- The ongoing rollout of Communities Plus, including the beginning of stage 1 of the \$2.2 billion Ivanhoe site;
- Continuing Communities Plus procurement in Arncliffe, Telopea, Riverwood and Villawood;
- New dwellings as part of Phase 1 of the Social and Affordable Housing Fund will continue to be delivered across the state (which over the next three years will deliver 2,200 properties);
- The announcement of successful contracts for phase 2 of the Social and Affordable Housing Fund, which is targeting 1,200 dwellings;
- The continuation of the creation of new homes funded by Millers Point sales, which as at May stands at 1,232 homes completed or under construction, with a target of 1,500;
- \$33.1 million in new funding (over four years) for an Aboriginal Housing Strategy;

The Government is also funding:

- \$83.4 million to support Community Housing Providers to head lease properties;
- \$183.4 million on supporting Aboriginal people through housing;
- \$35.7 million for private rent assistance to support young people and households to sustain tenancies.

*8808 TECHNICAL DIRECTION 1999/4 AND SAFE CYCLING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the impacts of Technical Direction 1994/4 that aims to ensure safe and convenient cycling facilities?
- (2) What indicators and measures does the Government use to assess implementation of this Technical Direction?
- (3) What outcomes has the Government identified from implementation of this Direction?
- (4) Since October 1999, and as at 21 June 2018, how many roads have had:
 - (a) Sealed shoulders resheeted or resealed;
 - (b) Linemarking reinstated to provide safe cycling access;
 - (c) Bicycle facility signposting reinstated;
 - (d) Gully grates replaced with cycle safe ones?
- (5) What policies and programs does the Government implement to ensure that safe bicycle facilities are incorporated into all new roads including motorways?
- (6) What safe bicycle facilities does the Government plan to include in the Westconnex motorway and consequent local road changes?
- (7) What further action will the Government take to ensure all roads include measures to provide safe cycling access?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) There has been no specific assessment of Technical Direction 1999/4. The Policy has been reiterated in the NSW Bike Plans of 1999, 2010 and in Sydney's Cycling Future 2013.
- (2) Cycling facilities are recorded and measurable by the NSW Bicycle Network GEO database.
- (3) Outcomes include increased lengths of safe on-road rideable space, improved network safety and improved pavement longevity.
- (4) Roads and Maritime Services' Cycleway Finder is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website and highlights the extent of sealed shoulders and other types of cycleways across NSW.
- (5) This information is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.
- (6) This is a matter for the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex and Minister for Sport.

Local road network changes and the provision of shared paths are being made in particular locations.

(7) The Movement and Place Framework underpins Future Transport 2056 and aims to allocate road space in a way that improves the liveability of places and delivers road safety benefits.

*8809 PRISON EXIT PLANS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

- (1) Were 60 per cent of people imprisoned classified as homeless before they were imprisoned?
- (2) How many emergency and short term places does Corrective Services provide for prisoners being released who would otherwise be homeless?
- (3) What long term transitional or reintegration support does the Government provide for men and women leaving prison in the Inner Sydney Metropolitan Region?
- (4) What proportion of prisoners have an exit plan prior to release and how many of these include accommodation?
- (5) How does the Government ensure that prisoners needing social housing can submit a Housing Pathways application before release?
- (6) What evaluation has the Government carried out about strategies to prevent prisoners being homeless on release and what improvements have been made?
- (7) What further steps will the Government take to prevent prisoners being homeless on release?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) No.

(2) Transitional Supported Accommodation (TSA), funded through the Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) Funded Partnership Initiative, provides transitional post-release accommodation and casework support to medium/high and high risk offenders for up to 12 weeks. Providers can accommodate up to 120 offenders per annum in total.

CSNSW also provides up to 12 weeks short term accommodation through its two Community Offenders Support Program (COSP) Centres:

- Campbelltown COSP- approximately 104 offenders per annum.
- Nunyara COSP - approximately 160 offenders per annum.

(3) The Extended Reintegration Service (ERS), provides post-release accommodation and cross-agency casework support to up to 20 medium/high - high risk offenders per annum. The ERS partnership was established by CSNSW, FAGS-Housing and Mental Health Services and South Western Sydney Local Health District.

The Initial Transitional Support (ITS) service provides up to 12 weeks post release support for higher risk offenders working in collaboration with Community Corrections to address the offender's case plan, including assisting offenders' with accommodation needs. The ITS service works from 26 metropolitan and regional locations supporting up to 960 offenders per annum.

The On TRACC (Transitional Reintegration and Community Connection) Program provides parolees with intensive individual support to assist their reintegration into the community. The program provides services, including accommodation support, to 600 eligible inmates released on parole per annum who reside in the Sydney Metropolitan area. This is Australia's first social impact investment to reduce parolee re-offending and re-incarceration.

(4) CSNSW strives to engage every inmate in custody in NSW in pre-release planning, including remandees, through its NEXUS program. NEXUS is an all-of-sentence release planning strategy designed to assist inmates to drive their own release planning, including housing.

(5) CSNSW and Housing NSW have established a 'Notification of Incarceration' process. This process allows Housing NSW to be notified when a tenant of, or applicant for, social housing enters custody. It provides the inmate with an opportunity to maintain a relationship with Housing NSW including the capacity to maintain a tenancy for up to six months at a significantly reduced rental rate (\$5 a week). The notification process facilitates the placement of inmates as priority applicants on release.

(6) Family and Community Services has lead the development of the NSW Homelessness Strategy 2018-2023, which includes recognition of the risk of homelessness for people exiting custody.

(7) The Government will continue to work with stakeholders to improve reintegration outcomes for offenders transitioning from custody to the community.

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*8810 MACQUARIE STREET EAST PRECINCT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What progress has been made on the Government's Macquarie Street East Precinct since the October 2016 draft Strategic Framework?
- (2) What progress has been made on the proposed Sydney CBD Cultural Precinct to be considered with this plan?
- (3) What suggestions and new ideas were obtained from the community?
- (4) What changes has the Government made to the draft framework?
- (5) What plans are identified to:
 - (a) Upgrade Macquarie Street as a ceremonial way including stitching together the two halves;
 - (b) Provide new or enhanced public domain including pedestrian access and amenity;
 - (c) Provide new civic monuments;
 - (d) Provide Botanic Garden and Domain entries;
 - (e) Provide a city playground?
- (6) How will the Government acknowledge longstanding heritage and prior occupation of the Gadigal people of the Eora nation?
- (7) How will the Government ensure protection of the significant colonial settlement and civic precinct heritage?
- (8) What plans does the Government have to reduce the impact of large amounts of through traffic associated with the Cahill Expressway?
- (9) When will the Government provide feedback to the community about plans for this precinct?
- (10) What further action will the Government take to ensure the protection and revitalisation of this precinct?

Answer—

- (1) Four priority projects were identified as part of the Government's Macquarie Street East Precinct. The draft Macquarie Street Strategic Framework is being led by the Government Architect's Office and questions regarding its current status should be directed to the Planning Minister.
- (2) Please direct this question to the Minister for the Arts. The Cultural Infrastructure Program Management Office is leading the planning and delivery of Cultural Infrastructure in New South Wales.
- (3) The community engagement undertaken in late 2016 found strong support for the, then, Property Minister's criteria for the Macquarie Street East Precinct. The Call for Ideas resulted in suggestions from the community that included better connections, creating new cultural activities and events, and preserving quieter spaces.
- (4) Please direct this question to the Planning Minister. The Government Architect's Office is leading development of the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework.
- (5) (a) The vision in the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework to recognise Macquarie Street as Sydney's Ceremonial Street and maintain a stronger public focus, through creating seven public places that join the Eastern and Western edges of Macquarie Street, are concepts that may be pursued in partnership with the City of Sydney and Roads and Maritime Services if the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework is endorsed and implemented.
- (b) The opportunities to enhance public domain in and around Macquarie Street, including raising pedestrian priority, are concepts that may be pursued in partnership with the City of Sydney if the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework is endorsed and implemented.
- (c) The draft Strategic Framework makes reference to the opportunity to make Macquarie Street a "great cultural walk" building upon its collection of statues and monuments, recognising notable figures who helped shaped the colony and city. This opportunity may be pursued, if the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework is endorsed and implemented.
- (d) The draft Strategic Framework makes reference to the opportunity to improve visitation to and enjoyment of the Royal Botanic Garden and new and/or enhanced entries. This opportunity may be pursued in partnership with the Botanic Gardens and Centennial Parklands Trust if the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework is endorsed and implemented.
- (e) The draft Strategic Framework makes reference to the opportunity to create a city playground that would support the interpretive and educational focus of the precinct, broaden its demographic appeal and complement existing uses. This opportunity is a concept that may be pursued in partnership with the City

of Sydney and Botanic Gardens and Centennial Parklands Trust if the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework is endorsed and implemented.

(6) Place making projects that occur in or near to Macquarie Street will consider longstanding heritage and the history of the land's traditional owners, the Gadigal people of the Eora nation.

(7) Buildings in the Macquarie Street East Precinct are subject to varying levels of heritage protection, a number having the highest level of protection reflected by being listed on the State's Heritage Register. Any projects to adaptively reuse or enhance government owned buildings in this precinct will be subject to the usual development and heritage approval processes.

(8) This question should be directed to the Minister for Transport.

(9) The government will engage with precinct stakeholders including the City of Sydney and residents when the Macquarie Street Strategic Framework has been implemented and projects consistent with the objectives of the Framework have been developed to consultation readiness.

(10) The Macquarie Street East Precinct is a living example of the State's and Nation's colonial and civic history. All buildings in this precinct remain in active use and are maintained accordingly. Examples include restoration of the stonework at Sydney Hospital and the works underway to improve public access to and through the State Library's historic Mitchell Wing.

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*8811 DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT PLACES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Has the number of places for drug/alcohol treatment been reduced?
- (2) How many places were available and used for this treatment over the past five years (as at 21 June 2018) in:
 - (a) In-patient beds;
 - (b) Individual counselling;
 - (c) Groups;
 - (d) Long-term therapeutic beds;
 - (e) Ongoing support for recovery?
- (3) How many treatment places does the Government provide or fund for people with drug problems who also have a mental illness?
- (4) How many of these treatment places were available for residents of the Sydney electorate?
- (5) What current plans does the Government have to increase access to alcohol/drug treatment?
- (6) What further steps will the Government take to improve access to drug/alcohol treatment?

Answer—

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare produces an annual report on alcohol and other drug treatment service activity, by service type. Data for 2016-17 and the previous four years of data is available at: <https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/alcohol-other-drug-treatment-services/aodts-2016-17-key-findings/contents/summary> \.

Treatment places are not determined on the basis of electorates.

In 2018-19 the Government will invest \$225.3 million, and over \$850 million in the coming four years, in drug and alcohol treatment services. This builds on the 2016 NSW Drug Package that provided an additional \$75 million over four years to support more young people, more families and more people into treatment. The 2015 Government 'ice' election commitment provided an additional \$11 million over four years to provide more treatment services and minimise the impact of methamphetamine.

*8812 CURRENT OFFLINE BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

How many Fire & Rescue NSW's Bronto Aerial Appliances are offline due to a breakdown or malfunctioning components as at 20 June 2018?

Answer—

I am advised:

On 20 June 2018 three Fire & Rescue NSW's Bronto appliances were offline due to break down or

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malfunctioning components.

*8813 PASSENGER SERVICES LEVY—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How much revenue has been collected since the Passenger Services Levy was introduced (as at 20 June 2018)?
- (2) How many authorised taxi service providers and booking service providers are registered for the scheme?
- (3) How many authorised taxi service providers and booking service providers are not complying with the legislation in regard to the Passenger Service Levy?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) This is a matter for the Minister for Finance, Services and Property.
- (2) and (3) Only one booking service provider has been issued with a penalty notice for failing to comply with the legislation for the Passenger Service Levy.

*8814 HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) How many Highway Patrol Officers work within the boundaries of the Brisbane Waters and Tuggerah Lakes Police Districts?
 - (a) How many patrol vehicles are allocated to these officers?
 - (b) Do these officers report to the District Commander?

Answer—

I am advised:

As a mobile resource (ie. driving in a Highway Patrol vehicle), officers attached to the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command are not restricted to operating in discrete eographical areas.

Officers attached to the Traffic and Highway Patrol Command report, ultimately, to the Commander, Traffic and Highway Patrol Command.

*8815 BANKS HOUSE CAPITAL WORKS FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

How much capital works funding was allocated to upgrade Banks House in the 2018-19 financial year?

Answer—

The Government announced \$700 million in the 2018-19 Budget for the Statewide Mental Health Infrastructure Program. \$20 million has been committed in 2018-19 to improve therapeutic environments inside mental health units and begin planning a number of key projects as part of the \$700 million investment in mental health facilities. Refer to LA Q8525.

\$152 million has been allocated in this year's mental health budget to South Western Sydney Local Health District to manage upgrades to infrastructure, provide care in mental health units including Banks House, and deliver mental health supports in the community setting.

*8816 BUDGET FUNDING FOR HEALTH—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What new facilities were you referring to during Question Time in the Legislative Assembly Chamber on 19 June 2018, that are part of the \$25 million being delivered for 'the new emergency department and planning money for the new facilities'?
 - (a) Where will these facilities be located?

Answer—

\$25 million will be used to redevelop the Emergency Department at Bankstown Hospital.

*8817 SOCIAL HOUSING START SAFELY PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How many applications have been received for the Start Safely program since its inception, disaggregated by financial year?

- (2) Of these applications, how many applications have been successful, disaggregated by financial year?
- (3) Of the successful applications:
 - (a) What is the average timeframe from application submission to acceptance for the program?
 - (b) What is the average timeframe from acceptance for the program to the tenant's relocation?
- (4) What has been the cost of delivering the program to 21 June 2018, disaggregated by financial year?

Answer—

I am advised that information regarding the number of people assisted by the Start Safely program is available on the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS)

website.

I am also advised that in the 2018-19 Budget the Government will invest \$26.5 million for Start Safely, to help people escaping violence move into stable housing in the private rental market.

*8818 PFAS CONTAMINATION TRUEGAIN RUTHERFORD RESIDENT NOTIFICATION—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) In regards to the downstream per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination from the Truegain Rutherford site in March 2018, how many residents have been notified by the Environment Protection Authority?
- (2) In which streets and locations are those who have received notification?

Answer—

I am advised that precautionary advice for this area is directed to affected persons. The Government will continue to engage with the local community and investigate the source of the PFAS contamination. Further information is at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/contaminated-land/pfas-investigation-program/pfas-investigation-sites>.

*8819 SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS CLAIMS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) What is the total dollar amount of small business grants provided for each year from 2015 to 2018 (as at 21 June 2018), by electorate?
- (2) How many businesses, by electorate, have claimed the one-off grant for:
 - (a) Full-time employees;
 - (b) Part-time or casual employees?
- (3) How many businesses have claimed the grant for multiple new employees?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Revenue NSW does not collect data based on electorate.

(3) 1,311 businesses.

*8820 ABORIGINAL EDUCATION YOUTH EDUCATION FOUNDATIONS FUNDING—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

- (1) How many sites are the following programs located in:
 - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group ;
 - (b) Girls Academy;
 - (c) Clontarf Foundation?
- (2) Which sites are the following programs located in:
 - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group;
 - (b) Girls Academy;
 - (c) Clontarf Foundation?
- (3) How many Government funded student places are available at each site for each of the following programs:
 - (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group;
 - (b) Girls Academy;
 - (c) Clontarf Foundation?
- (4) How much Government funding has been made available to each of the following programs for each financial year from 2011 to 2018 (as at 21 June 2018), and how much projected funding is allocated for the 2019 financial year:

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- (a) Aboriginal Education Consultative Group;
- (b) Girls Academy;
- (c) Clontarf Foundation?

Answer—

Questions relating to the Aboriginal Education Consultative Group, Girls Academy and Clontarf should be directed to the Minister for Education.

*8821 2018-19 BUDGET FOR ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF POLICE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Did you take into account the opening speech at New South Wales Police Association's 2018 biennial conference, delivered by former President Scott Weber, in which he said New South Wales needs 500 additional police officers in the 2018 Budget, when you announced 100 additional police officers in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government is working with Police Commissioner Fuller and other key stakeholders to determine how many additional officers are needed, what duty types are required and where they will be based.

*8822 ADDITIONAL REGIONAL HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS TO LOWER ROAD TOLL—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) When will the additional 50 highway patrol officers for regional New South Wales to lower the road toll, as announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget, be operational?
- (2) Will any of these additional 50 highway patrol officers be allocated to the Central West Police District?
 - (a) If so, how many?
 - (b) If so, when will they be allocated to the Central West Police District?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Police and Minister for Emergency Services.

*8823 BUDGET ANNOUNCEMENT OF NURSES, DOCTORS AND ALLIED HEALTH—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many of each of the following positions announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget will be allocated to health facilities within the Orange electorate over the next year:
 - (a) 1,000 nurses and midwives;
 - (b) 300 doctors;
 - (c) 120 allied health professionals?

Answer—

Health services are not allocated on the basis of electorate.

*8824 PENALTY NOTICES ISSUED IN A CLEARWAY—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many penalty notices have been issued in 2017 for stopping or parking in a clearway since new and extended clearways were introduced on the:
 - (a) Great Western Highway;
 - (b) Church Street;
 - (c) Parramatta Road?

Answer—

Month of Offence	Great Western Highway	Church Street	Parramatta Road	Total Number of PNs
January 2017			22	22
February 2017			10	10
March 2017			26	26
April 2017			37	37

May 2017			24	24
June 2017			21	21
July 2017	5		25	30
August 2017	8	1	15	24
September 2017	7	1	20	28
October 2017	1		39	40
November 2017	13	9	29	51
December 2017	2	2	11	15
Grand Total	36	13	279	328

Notes:

1. Data as at 29 June 2018.
2. Data includes all penalty notices (PNs) related to "Clearway" offences with an offence date within the 2017 calendar year only.
3. Data relates to penalty notices (PNs) with the following streets of offence
 - Great Western Highway
 - Church Street
 - Parramatta Road
4. The question refers to streets of offence only and does not specify which suburbs (if any) were of interest (Parramatta only or all suburbs). It should be noted that the three streets mentioned return suburbs of offence throughout Sydney

*8825 ADDITIONAL BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) How much funding has been provided for the procurement of additional Bronto Aerial Appliances for Fire & Rescue NSW in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?
 - (a) How many new Bronto Aerial Appliances will be ordered with this funding?

Answer—

I am advised:

Eight new aerial appliances will be purchased in the 2018-19 financial year with funding of \$18 million; this includes two new aerial ladder platforms (Brontos).

*8826 BRONTO AERIAL APPLIANCES LOCATIONS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) Where are Fire & Rescue NSW's Bronto Aerial Appliances stationed?
 - (a) What region is each appliance tasked to cover?

Answer—

I am advised:

Fire & Rescue NSW (FRNSW) Bronto aerial appliances are strategically stationed based on operation considerations and can be deployed to any location in New South Wales.

FRNSW continually assesses risks to ensure that specialised resources are optimally located.

*8827 EASY ACCESS UPGRADE POSITION OF CARRAMAR RAILWAY STATION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Where does Carramar Railway Station place within the priority list for Easy Access Upgrades?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8625.

*8828 EASY ACCESS UPGRADE POSITION OF YENNORA RAILWAY STATION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Where does Yennora Railway Station place within the priority list for Easy Access Upgrades?

Answer—

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I am advised:

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8625.

- *8829 EASY ACCESS UPGRADE POSITION OF CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Where does Canley Vale Railway Station place within the priority list for Easy Access Upgrades?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer you to my previous response, LA Q8625.

- *8830 DREDGING FUNDING BUDGET 2018-19 LANDS AND FORESTRY PORTFOLIO—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

What additional funding for the dredging of waterways across New South Wales which are within your portfolio has been included in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

Answer—

Funding of \$4.4 million is available for dredging of waterways across New South Wales in 2018-19 from previous funding allocations made up of:

- \$3.4 million for delivery of Rescuing our Waterways Projects in partnership with local government
- \$1 million for dredging of priority regional waterways to be delivered by Department of Industry, Crown Lands.

- *8831 DREDGING FUNDING BUDGET 2018-19 ROADS AND MARITIME PORTFOLIO—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

What additional funding for the dredging of waterways across New South Wales which are within your portfolio has been included in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Department of Industry delivers the Government's Coastal Dredging Strategy.

Roads and Maritime Services' 2018-19 budget includes an allocation of \$2 million for dredging. This funding will be provided to the Department of Industry to help deliver the NSW Coastal Dredging Strategy.

- *8832 PRE-SCHOOLING IN LONG DAY CARE CENTRES—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

How many three year-olds in New South Wales currently receive their pre-schooling through Long Day Care centres?

Answer—

The Commonwealth Government is primarily responsible for funding long day care. Attendance and enrolment data for long day care services is owned by individual services, and accessed by the Commonwealth. The Government does not have access to this data.

- *8833 PRE-SCHOOLING IN LONG DAY CARE CENTRES FUNDING—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

- (1) Does the Government intend funding preschool for three year-olds regardless of the early learning setting, as recommended in the Government funded 'Lifting Our Game' Report?
 - (a) If so, when?

Answer—

The Government provides funding to support children's access to quality early childhood education in all settings in the year before school, as required by the National Partnership Agreement on Universal Access to Early Childhood Education.

The Commonwealth Government is primarily responsible for funding Long Day Care services through the Child Care Subsidy.

The Commonwealth provides subsidies to all children in Long Day Care, including children participating in a preschool program in Long Day Care settings.

The Government has primary responsibility for funding community preschools, who receive no financial support from the Commonwealth.

As part of the 2018-19 Budget, the NSW Liberals and Nationals Government became the first state in Australia to fund universal access for three year olds in community preschools

The Government's 2018-19 Budget includes \$197.8 million allocated to extending Start Strong subsidies to all three year old children in community preschools.

This is part of the Government's record investment of \$474 million in early childhood education as part of the 2018-19 budget.

*8834 POLICE RECRUITS BUDGET 2018-19 PORT STEPHENS AND HUNTER—Ms Kate Washington asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

How many of the 100 new police recruits announced in the 2018-19 NSW Budget will be deployed to the Port Stephens-Hunter Police District?

Answer—

I am advised:

The allocation of police resources is determined by the Commissioner based on operational need. Allocations of officers from the next graduating class will be announced on the day of attestation.

*8835 UPGRADES TO INFRASTRUCTURE IN LISAROW—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) Considering the design for the widening of the Pacific Highway (Stage 3B) at Lisarow, will a pedestrian overpass or underpass at the intersection of The Ridgeway and the Pacific Highway be provided?

(2) Will Lisarow Railway Station receive an access upgrade to allow mobility impaired persons who cannot use stairs access to the west (Newcastle) platform side of the station?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) A pedestrian bridge or underpass is not included in the Pacific Highway upgrade between Ourimbah Street and Parsons Road, Lisarow.

(2) An access upgrade to Lisarow Railway Station is outside the scope of the road upgrade project.

*8836 LISAROW CEMETERY—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Will any gravel located at the Lisarow Cemetery be disturbed as a consequence of the widening of the Pacific Highway (Stage 3B)?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

*8837 BOARDING HOUSE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

(1) How many Boarding House Financial Assistance Program - New Supply Grants were issued in 2016 and 2017 for the development of new boarding house rooms in New South Wales?

(2) What is the formula and percentage calculation used to set the maximum tariffs for single and double rooms with respect to the use of median rents and Office of State Revenue tariff limits?

(3) Who is responsible for setting the maximum tariffs and how are these tariffs monitored?

(4) How is boarding house accommodation considered 'low cost' if tariffs are set at the median rents?

(5) How is the length of provision of such accommodation monitored?

(6) Why is five years considered to be 'long term' accommodation?

(7) What mechanisms are in place to discourage landlords from increasing rents on these rooms after five years?

Answer—

I am advised that information on the Boarding House Financial Assistance Program is available on the

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Family and Community Services website at www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

*8838 ACCESS FOR POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DUE TO WESTCONNEX—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) Considering that WestConnex will result in significant increased congestion on local, regional and state roads in Redfern, Waterloo, St Peters, Newtown and Haberfield within the area of the proposed M4-M5 Link tunnel, in both the construction and operational phases, what measures will be in place to ensure access for police and emergency services to these areas?
- (2) What planning has been done between police and emergency services, Roads Maritime and Freight and the Sydney Motorway Corporation to ensure access on key affected roads?
- (3) What measures will be in place to ensure access to the M4-M5 Link tunnel in the event of a major underground accident or incident?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer you to my previous answer, LA Q8313.

*8839 FAULTY BUILDING INTERCOMS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) How many of the intercoms are faulty in the Kendall, Lawson, Gilmore and McKell buildings in 'Poets Corner'?
 - (a) What is the timeframe for these intercoms to be fixed?

Answer—

I am advised that the Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) routinely carries out maintenance through responsive maintenance requests and planned maintenance programs to keep its properties in good condition and to ensure consistent maintenance standards across the state.

*8840 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT AND HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES NSW BUDGET 2018-19—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What portion of the \$87 million allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget for Community Transport and Home and Community Care services for those with difficulty accessing transport will be spent within:
 - (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
 - (b) The Illawarra?

Answer—

I am advised:

Community transport services, including the Commonwealth Home Support Program (formally Home and Community Care) are delivered in the Illawarra region, including the Shellharbour electorate. These services are part of the \$87 million 2018-2019 NSW Budget allocation. Allocations to these service providers are commercial in confidence.

*8841 SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE SCHOOLS AIRCONDITIONING BUDGET 2018-19—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Which schools within the Shellharbour electorate will have reverse cycle air conditioning installed under the \$500 million allocated to the program in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?
- (2) When will these systems be installed?

Answer—

The Government has announced \$500 million to provide a sustainable air conditioning program for New South Wales schools.

I'm advised that schools with a mean maximum January temperature of 30 degrees Celsius and above will receive air conditioning in classrooms and libraries.

All new schools and school upgrades yet to be delivered will have air conditioning installed in the new classrooms and libraries. Schools with a mean maximum January temperature below 30 degrees Celsius will also be able to apply for funding for air conditioning in classrooms and libraries.

The program will be rolled out over a period of five years.

*8842 INPATIENT AND COMMUNITY-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES NSW BUDGET ILLAWARRA AND SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What portion of the additional \$82.5 million allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget for increased inpatient and community-based mental health services across New South Wales will be spent within:
 - (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
 - (b) The Illawarra?
- (2) What additional services will be delivered as a result within:
 - (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
 - (b) The Illawarra?

Answer—

This question is a matter for the Minister for Mental Health, the Hon Tanya Davies MP.

*8843 ABORIGINAL SOCIAL HOUSING FUNDING BUDGET 2018-19 ILLAWARRA AND SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

- (1) What portion of the \$33.1 million in new funding allocated in the 2018-19 NSW Budget for the Aboriginal Social Housing Strategy will be spent within:
 - (a) The Shellharbour electorate;
 - (b) The Illawarra?
- (2) What additional services will be delivered as a result?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

*8844 SCHOOL MAINTENANCE FUNDING 2018-19 BUDGET SHELLHARBOUR ELECTORATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What portion of the \$160 million in the 2018-19 NSW Budget set aside to address planned maintenance in schools across New South Wales has been allocated to schools within the Shellharbour electorate?
- (2) Which schools within the Shellharbour electorate will receive a share of this funding?
- (3) What maintenance projects will be delivered?

Answer—

I'm advised that all schools in the Shellharbour electorate will receive funding for maintenance during 2018-19. Condition assessments have been carried out at all

schools in the electorate to identify the highest priority maintenance work. The Southern NSW Asset Management Unit will review the priorities with principals to finalise what maintenance projects are to be delivered.

*8845 REPLACEMENT OF RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN THE ENTRANCE ELECTORATE—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What 'major capitalised maintenance works to replace rail infrastructure to keep the assets in good condition for delivery of services' will occur as a result of the \$14,984,000 allocated to The Entrance electorate in the 2018-19 NSW Budget?

Answer—

I am advised:

Most of the budget allocated to the Entrance Electorate for rail infrastructure improvements will be dedicated to the Gosford Resignalling Project. This project is scheduled for completion by 2021, and includes renewal of signalling equipment, and alteration of track layout. In addition, the Passenger Audio systems will be upgraded at Narara and Ourimbah Stations.

*8846 OFFICERS IN POLICE DISTRICTS ON THE CENTRAL COAST—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

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Considering that the number of sworn officers attached to Brisbane Waters and Tuggerah Lakes Police Districts has fallen from 444 in 2011 to 400 at March 2018, will some of the 100 new police funded in the 2018-19 NSW Budget be allocated to these Central Coast Police Districts?

Answer—

I am advised:

Police positions are allocated by the Commissioner based on operational requirements. All positions attached to Police Area Commands (PACs) and Police Districts (PDs) are flexible resources available to respond to incidents. These local resources are also supplemented by specialist police who are managed centrally but can be deployed across boundaries to respond to changing community needs.

In addition to the 100 new officers already announced to be deployed this year, the Government is working with Commissioner Fuller and other key stakeholders to determine how many more officers are needed, what duty types are required and where they will need to be based.

As you would be aware, decisions about the deployment of police officers and other resources are ultimately made by the Commissioner, independent of Government.

*8847 BROADMEADOW RAILWAY LOCOMOTIVE DEPOT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Is there a Conservation Management Plan for the Broadmeadow Railway Locomotive Depot?
- (2) Considering the Government's plan to move all the heritage trains to Chullora:
 - (a) How will this be done;
 - (b) What will the cost be?
- (3) When will the Government put the exposed rail carriages at Broadmeadow, in particular the most historic, under cover?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Broad meadow site is currently managed under arrangements that supersede the previous draft Conservation Management Strategy prepared by the Office of Rail Heritage in 2009. Transport for NSW is currently considering the best opportunities for managing this site, the outcome of which could inform a future conservation management plan.
- (2) No decision has been made to move heritage trains to Chullora (or elsewhere).
- (3) The most significant heritage rolling stock at Broadmeadow is already stabled under cover.

*8848 HISTORIC ANTI-GAY AND ANTI-TRANSGENDER VIOLENCE JUSTICE SYSTEM RESPONSE—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Attorney General—

- (1) What action has the Government taken on the ACON 'In Pursuit of Truth and Justice' report examining historic murders and anti-gay violence involving the justice system?
- (2) What plans does the Government have to address concerns about the justice system response to homophobic and transphobic prejudice, murders and violence?
- (3) How does the Government ensure Legal Aid treats homophobic and transphobic violence fairly in resource allocation and approvals?
- (4) What information, education and support does the Government provide to courts, tribunals and the Coroner to understand and address homophobic and transphobic prejudice and violence?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to ensure that the justice system treats survivors of anti-gay and anti-transgender prejudice and violence fairly?

Answer—

I am advised :

I have requested information from the Department of Justice in relation to the ACON report, 'In Pursuit of Truth and Justice,' and the recent report of Strike Force Parra bell.

Legal Aid NSW has clear and publicly available policies in relation to the types of matters for which legal aid is available and the tests applicable to grants of aid. These are available at www.legalaid.nsw.gov.au.

The Government provides funding for the Judicial Commission of NSW and contributes to the funding of the National Judicial College of Australia, both of which provide programs, training and publications to judicial officers to understand and address homophobic and transphobic prejudice and violence.

The Department of Justice, through Diversity Services, provides information and support to court and -tribunal staff regarding diversity and inclusion of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex communities.

*8849 ANIMAL CRUELTY REGISTER—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made about the value of a register of those convicted of animal cruelty?
- (2) What evidence is there of a correlation between those committing cruelty against animals also being violent and abusive towards people?
- (3) What plans does the Government have to provide a public register of those convicted of animal cruelty?
- (4) What further steps will the Government take to improve responses to animal cruelty?

Answer—

(1) All convictions for animal cruelty offences under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 are recorded on an individual's criminal record. This information may be shared between investigative agencies, including NSW Police, which is permitted by the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 to use that information for other law enforcement purposes.

In addition, for companion animals, once the parts of the Companion Animals and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2018 that relate to the Register commence, the Companion Animals Register will record the compliance history in relation to the owner of the animal and any previous owner of an animal. While the public will not have access to compliance history information, it will be available to investigative agencies, including NSW Police.

(2) The Australian Veterinary Association's animal abuse policy suggests there is evidence indicating a correlation between those that commit animal cruelty and violence and abuse towards people

(3) The Government has no plans to provide a public register of those convicted of animal cruelty.

(4) In May 2018, the Government released the NSW Animal Welfare Action Plan, which will modernise legislation that is almost 40 years old and deliver an animal welfare system that is focused on outcomes and reflects evolving animal welfare science and community expectations.

In June 2018, changes to the Companion Animals Act 1998 and Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1979 were passed in Parliament to improve the traceability of cats and dogs and support responsible pet ownership.

The Government has also recently released a discussion paper for public consultation on penalties for animal cruelty offences and changes to better protect animal welfare during critical and emerging incidents.

*8850 SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTIES WATER SAVING AND ENERGY SAVING MEASURES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

- (1) What programs does the Government operate to provide insulation and acoustic measures to improve amenity and reduce the need for heating and cooling?
- (2) What assessment of older properties does the Government carry out to bring them to current sustainability standards such as BASIX?
- (3) What proportion of social housing buildings in the Sydney electorate meet current standards?
- (4) What water-saving measures have been retrofitted in Sydney electorate social housing properties since 2011 (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (5) What energy-saving measures have been retrofitted in Sydney electorate social housing properties since 2011 (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to retrofit Sydney electorate social housing properties to reduce energy and water use and costs?

Answer—

I am advised that information on Family and Community Services' (FACS) sustainability initiatives are available on the FACS website at <https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au>.

*8851 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PYRMONT BRIDGE ROAD—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

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- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the need for a safe pedestrian crossing over Pymont Bridge Road between Taylor Street and Wattle Street?
- (2) What pedestrian counts has the Government carried out at this location?
- (3) What consideration has the Government given to a signalised crossing midway between these roads at:
 - (a) Wentworth Park Road or;
 - (b) at the end of the Glebe Foreshore walk and the Sydney Secondary College Blackwattle Bay campus?
- (4) What consideration has the Government given to a pedestrian refuge near this location?
- (5) What action will the Government take to provide safe pedestrian crossing at this location?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Premier.

*8852 SPECIALIST OUT-OF-POCKET FEES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of impacts on access to health care from significant and hidden specialist out-of-pocket fees following recent media reports?
- (2) Does Government data support reports that out-of-pocket costs for private specialists are high and rising at twice the rate of inflation?
- (3) What advocacy has the Government carried out or planned with the Commonwealth Government to increase transparency and provide incentives for specialists to follow published fee scales?
- (4) What action has the Government taken to help address impacts on access to health care?
- (5) What further steps will the Government take to improve access to specialist health treatment?

Answer—

According to Commonwealth data from the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority, over the period 2010 -11 and 2016-17, the proportion of New South Wales patients charged out-of-pocket fees is relatively low and decreasing.

Out-of-pocket fees are a private practice matter for each Visiting Medical Officer (VMO). Commonwealth data indicates that, between 2010-11 and 2016-17 in New South Wales, out-of-pocket amounts have been decreasing.

In a recent submission to a Commonwealth public consultation on private health insurance premiums, NSW Health recommended that the Commonwealth consider creating a Consumer Price Guide for common procedures such as hip replacements, to increase transparency and help inform consumers who use their private health insurance.

Privately practicing doctors can set their own fees under longstanding arrangements. These may be higher than Medicare and private health insurance rebates. NSW Health is committed to working with the Commonwealth Government and the private health sector to deliver patients informed choice, and better outcomes and experience of care.

*8853 NSW WOMEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—

What has been the annual cost of running the NSW Women of the Year Awards, disaggregated by financial year for each year since its inception?

Answer—

Since 2012 sponsorship has covered between 35 and 85 per cent of the total running cost of the NSW Women of the Year (WOTY) Awards. The remaining costs are paid for from the operating budget of Women NSW.

The WOTY Awards not only recognise the achievements of women who have excelled in the face of adversity or gender inequities, but are also an important empowerment tool. The Awards promote mentoring by offering a platform for women to lead by example and encourage other women and girls across New South Wales to reach their potential.

*8854 PFAS CONTAMINATION TRUEGAIN RUTHERFORD SITE OVERFLOW—Ms Jenny Aitchison asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) When per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination overflowed from the Truegain

Rutherford site in March 2018, what rainfall was recorded from that March event?

- (2) What rainfall has been recorded since 1 January 2016 at Rutherford (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (3) What action has been taken since to prevent another overflow from that site?
- (4) When would such a solution be operational?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) This information is available at <http://www.bom.gov.au/>.

(3) and (4) The site owners have been issued with a Clean-Up Notice and have installed measures to prevent future overflow from the site.

*8855 SCHOOL SUPPORT CLASSES GOSFORD ELECTORATE—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many new primary school support classes have been created in Gosford electorate since 2013 (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (2) How many new high school support classes have been created in Gosford electorate since 2013 (as at 21 June 2018)?

Answer—

I'm advised that since 2013, an additional 15 specialist support classes have been established in the Gosford electorate. This includes:

- 3 support classes in primary schools
- 3 support classes in secondary schools and
- 9 classes in schools for specific purposes (SSPs or special schools).

As at the 6 July 2018, in the Gosford electorate, there are 455 students enrolled across 60 specialist support classes. This includes the additional 15 classes that have been established since 2013.

In addition, there is currently a total of 108 students supported through the Integration Funding Support program in mainstream classes in the Gosford electorate.

*8856 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL NURSES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What percentage of nurses at the John Hunter Hospital are employed on contracts as opposed to permanent employment?
- (2) Is the navigation role in the emergency department permanently funded and staffed?
- (3) Is the neo natal retrieval service, fully funded at the John Hunter Hospital?
- (4) When staff are required for the neo natal retrieval service, are replacements provided in the ward to ensure nurse to patient ratios are maintained?

Answer—

Nursing staff on temporary contracts are primarily made up of maternity relief positions.

The navigation role started as a non-permanent trial in July 2017.

The Hunter Newborn and Paediatric Emergency Transport Service (NETS) is funded as a part of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

Appropriate staffing levels are maintained in the NICU.

*8857 NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT PATRONAGE FIGURES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) I refer to bus patronage figures released by Newcastle Transport on 15 June 2018 comparing bus trip data for 2017 to 2018, are the figures comparing like for like trip data?
- (2) I refer to Newcastle Transport's comments on 21 June 2018 regarding the bus patronage, released on 15 June 2018, that the 2018 data included the inner-city fare-free zone, free travel passes, the 110 rail replacement service, and Broadmeadow park-and-ride and special events; were these trips included in the 2017 data?
- (3) Is the data released by Newcastle Transport used to calculate incentive payments outlined in the Transport for Newcastle Commercial Terms of Passenger Services and Light Rail Integration Services?

Answer—

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I am advised:

(1) and (2) I refer you to my previous response, LA Q7892.

(3) The Patronage Incentive Payment in the Newcastle Integrated Services Contract is commercial in confidence.

*8858 SCHOOL UPGRADES GOSFORD ELECTORATE—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Education—

(1) Considering it has been reported that "the State Government will spend \$6 billion over the next four years building schools and upgrading existing ones, creating an extra 2000 classrooms for almost 44,000 more students," what are the planned upgrades for the Gosford electorate?

(a) What is the timetable for upgrades in the Gosford electorate?

(b) Which schools in the Gosford electorate have received an upgrade between 2016 and 21 June 2018?

Answer—

I'm advised the Government has spent more than \$57 million on public school maintenance and capital works in the Gosford electorate since coming to office.

The Government has undertaken two major capital works projects in the Gosford electorate:

An upgrade to Point Clare Public School that included 11 new classrooms, a library, a covered outdoor learning area, external play areas, administrative facilities and a staff room.

The project enabled the removal of all 12 demountable classrooms and provided more playground space for students.

It was completed in March last year and cost \$9 million.

The relocation of Gosford Public School built 21 new classrooms, four special program rooms, a library, a hall, a canteen, outdoor learning and play areas, and administration and staff facilities.

This project was completed in April 2014 at a cost of \$21.9 million.

*8859 TEMPORARY ACCOMODATION CENTRAL COAST—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

(1) How many clients accessed Temporary Accommodation on the Central Coast during each financial year from 2013-14 to 2016-17?

(2) What is the average number of Temporary Accommodation nights accessed per client during each financial year from 2013-14 to 2016-17?

(3) When did the Temporary Accommodation extension commence on the Central Coast?

(4) How has the additional Temporary Accommodation been promoted in the Central Coast community?

(5) How many times has the additional Temporary Accommodation been sought by:

(a) Clients;

(b) Case workers?

Answer—

I am advised that information on Temporary Accommodation is available on the Family and Community Services website www.facs.nsw.gov.au.

*8860 GOSFORD RURAL FIRE SERVICE BOAT FACILITIES—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

(1) What boat facilities are owned by the New South Wales Rural Fire Service (RFS) in the Gosford electorate?

(a) How many people can be on board each boat?

(b) When will the new boat be delivered to the Mooney Mooney branch?

(2) Where will the new RFS shed be located in the Mooney Mooney Peat Island Gateway?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Central Coast District operates three vessels within the Gosford electorate, based at Brisbane Water, Mooney Mooney and Patonga.

The Brisbane Water vessel has capacity for eight persons. The current Mooney Mooney vessel has capacity for five persons, however this will rise to eight when a replacement vessel is delivered in early 2019. The Patonga vessel will also be replaced in 2019.

(2) A determination has not yet been made on the location of a new Mooney Mooney Rural Fire Brigade station.

*8861 PRIVATE HEALTH PATIENTS IN PUBLIC HOSPITALS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) What is the incentive provided to public hospitals to keep patients with private health insurance in public hospital beds?

(2) Do public hospitals get paid more per patient to keep private patients?

Answer—

Patients have the right under Medicare principles and the National Health Reform Agreement 2011 to use their private health insurance in a public hospital.

I am advised that public hospitals are generally paid about the same for public and private patients.

*8862 DISCLOSURE OF VIOLENT DEATHS IN PUBLIC HOUSING OPTIONS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

(1) What is Family and Community Services required to do in disclosing to potential new occupants that a murder or violent death has occurred in a Public Housing Property?

(a) Are these circumstances reasonable grounds for a potential new occupant to reject a housing option without penalty?

Answer—

I am advised that the Department of Family and Community Services complies with all requirements of the Residential Tenancies Act 2010 and associated regulations when leasing a property to a tenant.

*8863 HOUSING AFFORDABILITY IN GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Jenny Leong asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

(1) What is the current percentage of affordable rental housing mandated in Government led urban housing projects?

(2) How many affordable rental housing units have been approved in Government housing projects in 2018 (as at 21 June 2018)?

(3) How many affordable rental housing units were approved in Government housing projects in 2017?

(4) What is the duration that affordable houses are maintained as affordable in government led rental housing developments?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question should be referred to the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing and the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

*8864 STOCKTON FERRY REFURBISHMENT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

(1) When will the Stockton ferry refurbishment be completed?

(2) Will there be any cuts to Stockton ferry services?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Newcastle Transport has two ferries to provide the Newcastle/Stockton ferry service. The refurbishment will be staged to ensure there is no disruption to the Stockton ferry service as a result of the works. Refurbishment of the first ferry will commence later this year.

(2) From 29 July 2018, Newcastle Transport will deliver customers a 15 minute frequency for this service during the AM and PM weekday peak, and a 20 minute frequency during off peak. Prior to the network changes introduced on 14 January 2018, this ferry operated at a maximum frequency of 20 minute intervals during peak periods and up to 30 minutes during off peak periods.

*8865 NEWCASTLE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Education—

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- (1) Will the new buildings at Newcastle East Public School be provided with air-conditioning?
(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I'm advised that, as part of the Newcastle East Public School upgrade, airconditioning will be installed in the new classrooms.

- *8866 NEWCASTLE FUNDING CLASSIFICATION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Is Newcastle classified as regional or metropolitan for funding purposes?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations.

- *8867 LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLD REBATE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How long has the Minister been aware that NSW Energy retailers have been applying the Low Income Household Energy Rebate after discounts are applied leaving customers worse off?
(2) Will the Minister amend the NSW Social Programs for Energy Code to expressly require retailers to apply discounts and rebates for the maximum benefit of customers?
(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

On the 12 October 2017 my office received correspondence relating to a retailer not applying rebates to the maximum benefit of the customer and a second retailer on the 14 February 2018.

In each case, the Department contacted these energy retailers to ensure that they fix the issue and apply back-payments to customers where required. Written confirmation was received from both retailers that they had changed the application of the rebate to the maximum benefit of the customer.

To ensure that all customers receive the maximum value of their rebates and retailer discounts, a letter was sent to all retailers on 19 April 2018 requiring them to apply the rebate correctly.

It was always the intent of the Code that rebates be applied to maximise the benefit to customers. We are now making this more explicit by strengthening the definition for how the rebate should be applied. A draft Code will be released for consultation in August 2018.

- *8868 LOWER HUNTER FREIGHT CORRIDOR FUNDING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What was the total expenditure on the Lower Hunter Freight Corridor in each financial year from 2016-17 to 2017-18 (to 21 June 2018)?
(2) Why has the total funding allocation for the Lower Hunter Freight Corridor not been expanded in the 2017-18 financial year?

Answer—

I am advised:

Total expenditure has increased on the Lower Hunter Freight Corridor in the NSW Budget 2018-19 to \$13,969,000. The estimated expenditure to 30 June 2018 is available in the budget papers.

- *8869 NEWCASTLE URBAN TRANSFORMATION AND TRANSPORT PROGRAM—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How much has the Government spent on advertising on the Newcastle Urban Transformation and Transport Program in each financial year from 2013-14 to 2017-18 (to 21 June 2018)?
(2) How much has the Government spent on providing financial assistance to struggling Hunter Street and Newcastle CBD businesses in each financial year from 2013-14 to 2017-18 (to 21 June 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The campaign is being delivered as part of the Government's \$650 million investment in Newcastle through the Newcastle Urban Transformation and Transport Program. This is a program of urban renewal and transport initiatives designed to attract people back to the city centre and rekindle the vibrancy of Newcastle's CBD.
- (2) I refer you to my previous answer, LA Q7895.

*8870 CROWN LAND LOT 369/DP755251—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—

- (1) Was any rent paid for Crown Land Lot 369/DP755251 before it was sold?
- (2) How much rental was charged for Lot 369/DP755251 since 2010 (as at 21 June 2018)?
- (3) When did the sale of Lot 369/DP755251 take place?
- (4) How much was it sold for?
- (5) How are Crown Land rents administered?

Answer—

- (1) Yes
- (2) \$25,538.23 rent (including GST) was charged for the period 20 December 2009 to 19 June 2015.
- (3) The sale of Lot 369 DP 755251 settled on 19 June 2015.
- (4) \$35,300.00 (excluding GST).
- (5) The Crown Lands Management Act 2016 provides for tenures to be subject to a market based annual rent and a range of rent concessions are available for eligible individuals and organisations.

*8871 GIRAKOOL BLUES FESTIVAL FUNDING—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Education representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Assistant Minister for Education—

- (1) How much funding did Girakool receive from the Government for the Girakool Blues Festival in each year from 2014-15 to 2016-17?
- (2) If they lost money, why did they get ongoing funding?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Tourism.

*8872 NORTHCONNEX COST AND EXPECTED OPENING—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) When is NorthConnex due to open to vehicles?
- (2) What was the original budget for the project?
- (3) What is the current estimated cost for the completed project?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure.

*8873 SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE EASY ACCESS LIFTS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) When is the current completion date for the easy access lifts to the Sydney Harbour Bridge?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*8874 INFRINGEMENT NOTICES FOR DRINK DRIVING—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

How many infringement notices were issued for drink driving in each financial year from 2015 to the current year (as at 17 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

From 2015 to 17 May 2018, the NSW Police Force did not issue any infringement notices for drink driving offences.

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*8875 VEHICLE DEFECT NOTICES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) How many vehicle defect notices were issued across New South Wales in each financial year from 2010 to 2018 (as at 17 May 2018) for:
- (a) Heavy vehicles;
 - (b) Light vehicles;
 - (c) Long vehicles?

Answer—

I am advised:

Reporting on defect notices is only available from 2012 onwards.

(1) (a) Heavy vehicles:

2012-13 – 96,733

2013-14 – 92,481

2014-15 – 87,799

2015-16 – 89,801

2016-17 – 86,720

2017-18* – 80,989

(b) Light vehicles:

2012-13 – 714

2013-14 – 621

2014-15 – 1,033

2015-16 – 1,101

2016-17 – 876

2017-18* – 497

* The data for the 2017-18 financial year is from July 2017 to 3 June 2018.

(c) Roads and Maritime Services does not record a category of 'long vehicles'.

*8876 INFRINGEMENT NOTICES FOR DRUG DRIVING—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

How many infringement notices were issued for drug driving in each financial year from 2015 to the current year (as at 17 May 2018)?

Answer—

I am advised:

From 2015 to 17 May 2018, the NSW Police Force did not issue any infringement notices for drug driving offences.

*8877 BHP SITE AT NEWCASTLE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

With regard to closure of the Broken Hill Proprietary (BHP) site at Newcastle in the 1990's and efforts to stimulate the economy and create jobs:

- (1) Was a foreign trade zone created for the expiring BHP site and the Steel River on which it sits?
- (a) If so:
 - (i) What was the extent, west along Steel River, to which the foreign trade arrangement applied?
 - (ii) Did the foreign trade zone agreement create duty exemptions for non-coal imports and exports on the BHP site, and along the Steel River, that would be value added?
 - (i) Was there a time limit applied to these duty exemptions?
 - (ii) Are the duty exemptions still in place?
 - (2) Did the 98 year lease of the Port of Newcastle affect this agreement?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing and Special Minister of State.

*8878 LONG SERVICE CORPORATION GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Considering the information provided in the NSW Budget 2018-19, Budget Paper 3, what grants and subsidies are provided by the Long Service Corporation?
- (2) How many individuals and entities were awarded a grant or subsidy in the 2017-18 financial year?
- (3) How are these grants and subsidies promoted within the building and construction and contract cleaning industries?
- (4) What has caused the significant increase in the grants and subsidies awarded between the 2016-17 and 2018-19 financial years?
- (5) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has the Long Service Corporation identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) How many positions?
 - (ii) What savings is the Long Service Corporation expected to make through these terminations?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Innovation & Better Regulation.

*8879 SERVICE NSW STAFF—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many staff were employed across Service NSW at 1 July 2017?
 - (a) Of these, how many were by staff engaged by recruitment agencies?
- (2) How many staff are employed across Service NSW as at 21 June 2018?
 - (a) Of these, how many staff are engaged by recruitment agencies?
- (3) Since 1 July 2017, how many employees (public servant and staff engaged by recruitment agencies) have had their employment terminated or have voluntarily left the agency (to 21 June 2018)?
 - (a) How many of these vacant positions were filled?
 - (i) What is the percentage breakdown in terms of:
 - (i) New employees classified as public servants
 - (ii) New employees classified as staff engaged by recruitment agencies?
 - (b) How many of these vacant positions were not filled as it was deemed the position no longer existed?
- (4) What is the full definition of 'employee related' operating expenses as outlined on page 3-16 of the NSW Budget 2018-19, Budget Paper 3?
- (5) Why is it projected that 'employee related' operating expenses will reduce by approximately \$42 million since the 2017-18 Budget?
- (6) What is the full definition of 'other operating expenses' as outlined on page 3-16 of the NSW Budget 2018-19, Budget Paper 3?
- (7) Why is it projected that 'other operating expenses' will increase by approximately \$90 million since the 2017-18 Budget?
- (8) Are Service NSW employees who are engaged by recruitment agencies under the same award as Service NSW employees who are classified as public servants?
- (9) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has Service NSW identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) How many positions?
 - (ii) What savings is Service NSW expected to make through these terminations?

Answer—

- (1) This information can be found in the 2016-17 Service NSW Annual Report.
- (2) and (3) This information will be available in the 2017-18 Service NSW Annual Report.
- (4) Across government, this generally relates to employee relates expenditure such as salaries and wages; long service leave; superannuation; payroll tax and workers compensation.
- (5) The original Budget figure was influenced by decisions in the Budget cycle that prevented a true cost allocation between 'Employee Expenses' and 'Other Operating Expenses'. As a result, 'Employee

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Expenses' was overstated and 'Other Operating Expenses' understated. The Revised Budget re-set this to closely align with activity levels.

(6) Across government, this generally relates to all other operating expenditure excluding employee expenses and depreciation, such as ICT costs; property related leases; telecommunication; contractors; shared services.

(7) As noted above, the Revised Budget re-set operating expenses to \$154m, reducing the perceived gap. The 2018-19 Budget has increased significantly due to new funded programs that will be delivered by Service NSW.

(8) No.

(9) No positions have been identified.

*8880 NSW TELCO AUTHORITY—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many parcels of land and buildings were owned by NSW Telco Authority at 1 July 2017?
- (2) How many parcels of land and buildings are owned by NSW Telco Authority as at 21 June 2018?
- (3) How many parcels of land or buildings were purchased by the NSW Telco Authority in the 2017-18 financial year?
 - (a) In what locations were these purchases made?
 - (b) What was the total cost of the purchases?
- (4) Has NSW Telco Authority identified land or buildings to purchase during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) In what locations?
 - (b) What would be the total cost of these purchases?
- (5) What are these parcels of land and buildings used for by NSW Telco Authority?
- (6) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has NSW Telco Authority identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) How many positions?
 - (ii) What savings is the Telecommunications Authority expected to make through these terminations?

Answer—

(1) The NSW Telco Authority did not own any land as at 1 July 2017. The Authority owned approximately 140 equipment shelters (sheds, generally 2 metres x 6.5 metres) and nine tower structures as at this date.

(2) The NSW Telco Authority did not own any land as at 21 June 2018. The Authority owned approximately 146 equipment shelters and 12 tower structures as at this date. Access to land is by means such as lease or licence with property owners.

(3) No land was purchased by the NSW Telco Authority during the 2017/18 financial year.

(a) Equipment shelters are required for Agency Priority Works and the North Coast but no site installation occurred.

(b) Not applicable.

(4) No, the NSW Telco Authority has not identified land or buildings to purchase during the 2018-19 financial year.

(a) and (b) Not applicable.

(5) Not applicable.

(6) No, the NSW Telco Authority has not identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year. The 2018 NSW Budget included investment of \$320 million over four years to enhance the Government Radio Network in support of emergency services, which will result in an expansion rather than reduction of resources overall.

*8881 STATE INSURANCE REGULATORY AUTHORITY—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How many employees, classified as public servants, were employed by State Insurance Regulatory Authority (SIRA) at 1 July 2017?
- (2) How many employees, classified as public servants, are employed by SIRA as at 21 June 2018?

- (3) Why is it anticipated there will be a \$4.35 million reduction in 'employee related' operating expenses during the 2018-19 financial year?
- (4) What is the definition of 'plant and equipment' when applied to SIRA as outlined in the NSW Budget 2018-19 Budget Paper 3?
- (5) What explanation can be provided for the anticipated \$5.5 million increase in the value of SIRA's 'plant and equipment' since the 2017-18 Budget?
- (6) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has SIRA identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
- (a) If so:
- (i) How many positions?
- (ii) What savings is SIRA expected to make through these terminations?

Answer—

(1) Under the State Insurance and Care Governance Act 2015, State Insurance Regulatory Authority (SIRA) is unable to employ staff. However, to enable it to exercise its functions, SIRA obtains personnel services from Department of Finance Service and Innovation (DFSI), a principal department who directly employs the relevant staff. Under this arrangement, there were 220 employees as at 29 June 2017.

(2) Under the personnel service arrangement, there were 319 employees, as at 21 June 2018.

(3)

Expense	2017-18 revised \$000	2018-19 budget \$000	Variance \$000	Variance explanation
Employee related	10,172	5,816	(4,356)	Reduction relates to less agency temporary staff being hired. SIRA will be filling the roles permanently. Refer to note below on classification between temporary and permanent staff.

SIRA operates under a personnel service arrangement with DFSI (refer to response in question one). As a result, SIRA's staff costs are classified as;

- Employee related expense for all temporary staff costs
- Other operating expense for all other staff related costs. For example. permanent staff costs

(4) Plant and Equipment relates to Leasehold Improvements, Computer Equipment and Office Equipment.

(5)

Property, plant and equipment consists of	2017-18 revised \$000	2018-19 budget \$000	Variance \$000	Variance explanation
Plant and equipment	7,042	12,546	5,504	Increase relates to potential leasehold improvements at Gosford office premises and computer equipment purchases associated with reform programs (For example CTP and homebuilding) being undertaken during this period.

(6) Under normal circumstances, Efficiency Dividends (ED) are applied to only Crown funded entities. SIRA is a self-funded entity. A final decision on whether the increase in ED is to be passed to SIRA is yet to be advised.

*8882 LUNA PARK RESERVE TRUST—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

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- (1) Why is it the Luna Park Reserve Trust was budgeted to make \$103,000 in investment revenue in the 2017-18 financial year, but the 2018-19 NSW Budget papers show that no revenue was made from investment revenue during that period?
- (2) What 'goods and services' are sold by the Luna Park Reserve Trust?
 - (a) Generally, where are these 'goods and services' sold?
- (3) What 'other operating expenses' were incurred by the Luna Park Reserve Trust in the 2017-18 financial year?
- (4) Why is there a \$1.6 million increase in the 'other operating expenses' projected in the 2017-18 NSW Budget and the 2017-18 revised figures as outlined in NSW Budget 2018-19 Budget Paper No.3?
- (5) Are you confident the Luna Park Reserve Trust can recover from their \$1.3 million net loss in the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) What assistance will you provide them to achieve an improved net result?
- (6) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has the Luna Park Reserve Trust identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) How many positions?
 - (ii) What savings is the Luna Park Reserve Trust expected to make through these terminations?

Answer—

These questions should be directed to the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation.

*8883 INVESTMENT REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, SERVICES AND INNOVATION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) Considering the information provided in the NSW Budget 2018-19, Budget Paper 3, why was the investment revenue made by the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation in the 2017-18 NSW Budget \$4.8 million less than the forecast?
- (2) Why do the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation anticipate that investment revenue during the 2018-19 financial year will only be \$805,000?
- (3) During the 2017-18 financial year, why did the Department of Finance, Services and Innovation's 'other operating expenses' exceed the forecast by more than \$118 million?
 - (a) What did these additional 'other operating expenses' include?

Answer—

(1) The decrease is due to a reclassification of bank interest from Investment Revenue to Other Revenue for NSW Fair Trading. Adjusting for this reclassification, the interest revenue is:

\$000	2017-18 Budget	2017-18 Forecast	2018-19 Budget
Interest revenue	5,541	5,237	5,065

Investment revenue is therefore \$304,000 rather than \$4.8 million less than the budget.

(2) Adjusting for the reclassification of NSW Fair Trading bank interest noted above, the investment revenue budget in financial year 2018-19 is \$5.1 million rather than \$805,000.

(3) \$80 million of the total variance of \$118 million is due to a reclassification of contractor expenses. In the budget, these contractor expenses are included in Employee Related Expenses however in the forecast they are included in Other Operating Expenses. The remaining \$38 million consists of additional activities that were allocated to Department of Finance, Services and Innovation and was fully offset by increased revenue activities.

*8884 PROPERTY NSW WORKFORCE?—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

- (1) How large is the Property NSW workforce?
 - (a) Why are 'employee related' operating expenses not included for Property NSW in the NSW Budget 2018-19 Budget Paper Number 3?
- (2) Generally, what 'other operating expenses' does Property NSW incur each financial year?
- (3) What explanation can be provided for the \$57.4 million blow-out in 'other operating expenses' during the 2017-18 financial year?
- (4) Where was the additional \$57.4 million in 'other operating expenses' directed?
- (5) What 'other operating expenses' is Property NSW anticipating to incur during the 2018-19 financial

- year?
- (6) What 'goods and services' does Property NSW anticipate to sell during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (7) Why was there a \$7.5 million reduction in the value of Property NSW's 'plant and equipment' during the 2017-18 financial year?
 - (a) Why is this value anticipated to reduce further during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (8) Generally, who receives 'grants and subsidies' from Property NSW?
 - (a) Why is the amount of 'grants and subsidies' provided by Property NSW anticipated to reduce by more than \$158 million in the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (9) Considering the increase in the efficiency dividend to 3 per cent, has Property NSW identified existing positions that will be terminated during the 2018-19 financial year?
 - (a) If so:
 - (i) How many positions?
 - (ii) What savings is Property NSW expected to make through these terminations?

Answer—

(1) Property NSW (PNSW) has around 355 staff employed by Department of Finance, Services and Innovation (DFSI), a principal department.

(a) Under the Property NSW Act 2006, PNSW is unable to employ staff. To enable it to exercise its functions, PNSW obtains personnel services from DFSI. Accordingly, there are no "Employee related" expenses and personnel related expenses are presented under "Other operating expenses".

(2) and (5) "Other operating expenses" consist of head-lease rental expenses for whole of government office accommodation requirements, employee related expenses, PNSW owned properties related expenses and general office overhead costs.

(3) and (4) The increase of \$57.4 million in 'Other Operating expenses' over budget was due to the following:

Additional office accommodation rental expenses of \$49 million which was offset by the increase by \$49 million in Revenue for PNSW (line item "Sales of Goods and Services").

The balance of the net increase in operating expenses of approximately \$ 8m is mainly due to the costs of new responsibilities transferred to PNSW (being PWA Facilities Management and Police Housing).

(6) PNSW revenue consists of:

- (a) Office accommodation space for rental,
- (b) property management services,
- (c) property acquisition and divestment services to other government agencies and
- (d) the provision of corporate services to other Property and Advisory Group entities.

(7) The reduction in Fixed assets (Budget versus 2017-18 forecast) is mainly due to the reclassification of certain Plant and Equipment to the line item Land and Buildings

(a) The movement from the Revised 2017-18 to Budget 2018-19 mainly represents depreciation.

(8) There are two grant recipients from Property NSW. The Government Restart NSW Fund is the primary recipient of "grants and subsidies" expense from PNSW and the other recipient is the Museum of Contemporary Art of around \$2.3 million per annum.

(a) The grant payment/expense to Restart NSW Fund represents the net sale proceeds of Property NSW's owned properties. The decrease is due to lower budgeted sales of PNSW's owned properties in 2018-19.

(9) The efficiency dividend applicable to PNSW has not been quantified.

*8885 PER- AND POLY-FLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) During flooding and heavy rain do Stony, Fishery and Wallis creeks connect into other bodies of water, including Testers Hollow and Swamp Creek?
- (2) Do watercourses associated with Testers Hollow and Swamp Creek extend into suburbs and communities in the Cessnock Local Government Area (LGA)?
- (3) Has the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) extended their testing for per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination to include waterways and watercourses in the Cessnock LGA?
 - (a) If so, what has been the result of this testing?
 - (b) If not, why has testing not been conducted?

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- (4) Has testing for per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances PFAS contamination in Wallis Creek been conducted at Buchanan, Richmond Vale, Mulbring, Mount Vincent and Olney?
- (a) If so, what has been the result of this testing?
- (b) If not, why has testing not been conducted?
- (5) Have residents in the Cessnock LGA, who live close to possibly contaminated waterways and watercourses, been informed by the EPA as to whether testing has or has not occurred?
- (a) Has this communication included letterboxing by the EPA?
- (6) Should residents in the Cessnock LGA, who live close to possibly contaminated waterways and watercourses, be concerned that their poultry and cattle may have consumed water contaminated with PFAS?
- (a) What assistance has the EPA provided to these residents?

Answer—

I am advised this information is available at <https://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/contaminated-land/pfas-investigation-program/pfas-investigation-sites> .

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Offence Description	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Approach childrens crossing too quickly to stop safely (motor vehicle)		1			
Approach childrens crossing too quickly to stop safely/motor vehicle					4
Approach pedestrian crossing too quickly to stop safely - (motor vehicle)	2	4	1		
Approach pedestrian crossing too quickly to stop safely-motor vehicle			4	6	3
Articulated vehicle tow motor vehicle/trailer etc				2	
Articulated vehicle tow other vehicle or trailer without permission		1			
Before roundabout not give left change of direction signal	12	18	8		
Before roundabout not give left change of direction signal			6	26	30
Before roundabout not give right change of direction signal	14	33	29	31	25
Begin U-turn no view of approaching traffic (school zone)				1	1
Begin U-turn without view of approaching traffic	13	18	16	7	15
Begin U-turn without view of approaching traffic - School Zone		1	2		
Burnout	459				
Carry passenger on motor bike (licenced for less than 12 months)	13	18	4		
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under	2,597	5,089	5,227	5,174	6,660
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Lidar	5,082	9,634	8,435	9,767	12,229
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Radar	5,800	10,208	9,932	9,965	11,238
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone	86	238	289	247	264
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Radar	107	236	165		
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Lidar	1,022	2,526	3,347	2,547	2,491
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Radar			179	275	244
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h	5,879	13,467	13,820	14,123	16,192
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Lidar	29,492	65,165	56,695	65,453	76,340
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Radar	19,025	42,114	43,905	41,898	44,016
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone	97	285	312	318	336
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	2,084	5,112	5,382	5,492	5,245
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Radar	221	564	674	603	556
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h	2,061	4,551	4,763	4,982	5,375
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Lidar	11,869	23,590	9,199		
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Radar			12,582	25,135	27,556
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone	4,824	10,610	10,741	10,239	10,097
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	23	58	71	69	61
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar	391	925	927	1,068	977
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar	44	113	134	118	94

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Offence Description	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h	602	1,305	1,349	1,537	1,600
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Lidar	2,517	5,019	4,692	5,678	5,901
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Radar	964	1,817	1,904	1,903	1,811
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone	5	10	15	6	9
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	46	118	112	134	115
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Radar	6	31	18	15	21
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h	189	405	386	525	493
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Lidar	432	923	935	1,055	1,060
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Radar	172	295	342	311	297
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - School Zone	4	4	1	3	3
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	4	8	11	9	14
Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	2	1	3	2
Class A vehicle displaying altered number-plate	7	33	27	28	30
Class A vehicle displaying misleading number-plate	48	134	122	148	152
Class A vehicle displaying unauthorised number plate	110	257	193	270	310
Class B Exceed average speed limit 10 km/h and under - Average Speed Zone			1		
Class B Exceed average speed limit over 30 km/h - Average Speed Zone				1	
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under	13	28	40	32	44
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Lidar	35	63	61	71	95
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Radar	32	63	78	86	61
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone		3	2	1	2
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Lidar	4	11	8	8	15
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Radar	2		3	4	2
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h	26	49	39	62	62
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Lidar	100	249	182	209	282
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Radar	75	132	159	155	139
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone		2	1		2
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	7	18	15	15	14
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	3		4	6
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h	15	9	19	15	10
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Lidar	55	98	74	43	66
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Radar	13	29	17	23	24
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone		1			
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	1	6	4	1	2
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	1	1	1	1
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h	4		6	1	

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Offence Description	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Lidar	13	23	14	5	16
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Radar	5	5	6	5	2
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	1			1	2
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Radar		1			
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Lidar	4				
Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Radar					1
Class B/C motor vehicle in ave speed zone on/over solid edge line			1	3	
Class B/C motor vehicle in Safe-T-Cam zone on/over solid edge line			15	85	40
Class B/C vehicle displaying altered number-plate		4	2	3	1
Class B/C vehicle displaying misleading number-plate		5	10	7	9
Class B/C vehicle displaying unauthorised number plate	3	4	6	9	5
Class C Exceed average speed limit 10 km/h and under - Average Speed Zone			1	1	
Class C Exceed average speed limit over 10 km/h - Average Speed Zone				2	2
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under	53	103	115	102	125
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Lidar	121	210	175	203	290
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Radar	147	258	261	294	212
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone	2	5	4	2	4
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Lidar	13	25	25	11	30
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Radar	2	6	4	11	2
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h	73	164	134	127	150
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Lidar	331	571	464	475	641
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Radar	280	544	482	443	434
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone	2	6	4	3	4
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	13	20	25	25	27
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Radar	5	4	7	5	5
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h	29	44	37	33	42
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Lidar	85	137	106	87	113
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Radar	43	84	77	52	44
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone		1	1	1	1
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	1	6	1	6	8
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	1	2	1	1
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h	2	8	7	5	6
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Lidar	12	9	16	11	10
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Radar	6	12	18	11	6
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Lidar		4	2		
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Radar			1		

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Offence Description	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h			1		
Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Lidar	1	1			
Consume alcohol while driving motor vehicle on road	91	209	58		
Cross unbroken lane line - (class B/C in average speed detection zone)		2			
Cross unbroken lane line - (class B/C in Safe-T-Cam zone)		1			
Cross unbroken lane line - (Not class B/C in Safe-T-Cam/average speed detection zone)	347	1,155	556		
Cross unbroken lane line-class B/C motor vehicle in ave speed zone		3	3	5	5
Cross unbroken lane line-class B/C motor vehicle in Safe-T-Cam zone			1	1	1
Cross unbroken lane line-not class B/C S-T-C/ave speed zone			755	1,586	1,468
Cut in front of vehicle after overtaking	16	57	46	42	56
Disobey clearance/low clearance sign tunnel/bridge etc			16	29	23
Disobey clearance/low clearance sign tunnel/bridge/other structure	10	33	6		
Disobey do not overtake turning vehicle sign (left turn)	25	47	13	7	6
Disobey do not overtake turning vehicle sign (right/U-turn)	6	8	2	2	2
Disobey give way sign on bridge/narrow road		4	5		5
Disobey hand-held stop sign at childrens crossing - School Zone		3	2		
Disobey hand-held stop sign at childrens crossing-motor vehicle			1		
Disobey hand-held stop sign motor vehicle - childrens crossing-school zone				4	2
Disobey keep left sign	11	15	12		
Disobey keep left sign-motor vehicle			75	151	171
Disobey keep left unless overtaking sign	259	412	168		
Disobey keep left unless overtaking sign-motor vehicle			93	589	929
Disobey keep right sign		2	3		
Disobey keep right sign-motor vehicle				1	2
Disobey left lane must turn left sign	238	240	166		
Disobey left lane must turn left sign-motor vehicle			277	695	758
Disobey left turn only sign	1,129	2,280	874		
Disobey left turn only sign-motor vehicle			1,453	2,479	3,300
Disobey no entry sign-motor vehicle	1,307	3,352	3,556	4,174	3,793
Disobey no left turn sign	1,762	3,601	2,135		
Disobey no left turn sign-motor vehicle			3,382	4,444	4,479
Disobey no overtaking on bridge sign		1			
Disobey no parking sign - School Zone	3,818	7,602	3,156		
Disobey no parking sign (in school zone)			4,864	8,531	8,833
Disobey no right turn sign	7,555	16,078	6,994		
Disobey no right turn sign-motor vehicle			11,019	21,891	22,963

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Disobey no stopping sign - School Zone	5,350	9,733	4,296		
Disobey no stopping sign (in school zone)			6,427	10,550	10,235
Disobey no trucks sign - Galston Gorge		2	1		1
Disobey no trucks sign (GVM) - Galston Gorge	1				
Disobey no trucks sign (length) - Galston Gorge	13	12	12	14	8
Disobey no turns sign	11	59	20		
Disobey no turns sign-motor vehicle			9	26	32
Disobey one-way sign	179	398	138		
Disobey one-way sign-motor vehicle			237	363	423
Disobey right lane must turn right sign	14	17	13		
Disobey right lane must turn right sign-motor vehicle			10	15	12
Disobey right turn only sign	142	546	293		
Disobey right turn only sign-motor vehicle			370	537	631
Disobey road access sign	61	17	56	35	64
Disobey trucks and buses low gear sign	7	17	6	4	17
Double park - School Zone	585	1,002	450		
Double park in school zone			677	1,190	965
Drive across dividing lines to do U-turn - motor vehicle			2,444	4,170	4,640
Drive across dividing lines to perform U-turn - (motor vehicle)			1,574		
Drive at childrens crossing too quick to stop -school zone	1,331	3,076			
Drive behind other vehicle too closely to stop safely	1,156	2,457	1,168	736	772
Drive contrary to direction of traffic lane arrow	1,289	2,275	1,109		
Drive contrary to direction of traffic lane arrow-motor vehicle			1,552	2,537	2,770
Drive in bus lane	1,210	3,293	3,239	4,208	3,332
Drive in bus lane - Camera Detected - Corporation	62	110	67		
Drive in bus lane - Camera Detected - Individual	4,978	10,725	5,730		
Drive in bus lane - Camera recorded - Corporation			83	81	115
Drive in bus lane - Camera recorded - Individual			8,259	9,405	10,309
Drive in dark no lights - not Class B/C S-T-C/ave speed			1,293	1,742	2,070
Drive in darkness no lights - Class B/C in ave speed zone			2	1	
Drive in darkness no lights - Class B/C Safe-T-Cam zone			1	1	1
Drive in darkness without prescribed lights - (class B/C in Safe-T-Cam zone)	1	1	1		
Drive in darkness without prescribed lights - (Not class B/C in Safe-T-Cam/average speed zone)	920	1,610	616		
Drive in emergency stopping lane	7	59	55	26	30
Drive in lane (red cross on overhead device)	1		3		1
Drive in right lane on road with speed-limit over 80 km/h	759	1,976	840		

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Drive in right lane where speed-limit over 80 km/h-motor vehicle			1,339	2,038	3,384
Drive in T - Way lane - Camera Detected - Corporation	101	199	82		
Drive in T - Way lane - Camera Detected - Individual	5,580	11,464	5,440		
Drive in T-Way lane when not authorised	4	21	17	25	28
Drive in T-Way lane when not authorised - Camera recorded - Corporation			97	169	126
Drive in T-Way lane when not authorised - Camera recorded - Individual			7,124	12,699	12,378
Drive motor vehicle with person in or on boot of vehicle			16	23	27
Drive motor vehicle with person or animal in lap	64	165	183	203	217
Drive motor vehicle with person or animal in lap - School Zone		1	3		
Drive motor vehicle with person/animal in lap - school zone			2	5	6
Drive not in S-T-C/ave speed zone on/over solid edge line			4	281	442
Drive on dividing strip - (motor vehicle)	58	139	48		
Drive on dividing strip-motor vehicle			85	144	136
Drive on nature strip	9	35	29	25	26
Drive on nature strip - School Zone		1	1		
Drive on nature strip (in school zone)					2
Drive on path	49	152	125	139	139
Drive on path - School Zone			1		
Drive on path (in school zone)				2	10
Drive on traffic island	43	96	103	74	84
Drive on traffic island - School Zone		1			
Drive on traffic island (in school zone)					1
Drive on/over continuous line near painted island - (motor vehicle)	229	545	317		
Drive on/over continuous line near painted island-motor vehicle			547	1,015	826
Drive on/over continuous white edge line - (class B/C in Safe-T-Cam zone)	5	13	9		
Drive on/over continuous white edge line - (Not class B/C in Safe-T-Cam/average speed zone)	482	799	344		
Drive vehicle with TV/VDU image visible	27	47	51	64	96
Drive vehicle with TV/VDU image visible - School Zone	1	3	1		
Drive vehicle with TV/VDU image visible (in school zone)			3	2	1
Drive vehicle without clear view	10	39	41	45	74
Drive vehicle without clear view - School Zone	1				
Drive vehicle without clear view (in school zone)				1	
Drive with 1 unrestrained passenger (16 years or older)	609	1,284	479		
Drive with 1 unrestrained passenger (16 yrs or older)			840	1,516	1,457
Drive with 2 unrestrained passengers (16 years or older)	83	213	85		
Drive with 2 unrestrained passengers (16 yrs or older)			117	275	220

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Drive with 3 unrestrained passengers (16 years or older)	32	85	25		
Drive with 3 unrestrained passengers (16 yrs or older)			41	89	77
Drive with 4 or more unrestrained passengers (16 years or older)	20	22	11		
Drive with 4 or more unrestrained passengers (16 yrs or older)			19	46	31
Drive with child under 6 months not restrained as prescribed			125	242	302
Drive with passenger 4 years or older but less than 7 years in front row of vehicle	58	145	61		
Drive with passenger 4 years or older but less than 7 years not restrained as prescribed	662	1,514	579		
Drive with passenger 4 yrs or older but less than 7 yrs old in front row of vehicle			109	240	133
Drive with passenger 6 months or older but less than 4 years not restrained as prescribed	779	2,201	878		
Drive with passenger 6 mths or older but less than 4 yrs old not restrained as prescribed			1,496	2,607	2,579
Drive with passenger 7 years or older but less than 16 years not restrained as prescribed	323	649	252		
Drive with passenger 7 yrs or older but less than 16 yrs old not restrained as prescribed			485	733	792
Drive with passenger in/on part of vehicle no seatbelt	27	59	18		
Drive with passenger in/on part of vehicle no seatbelt etc			33	47	92
Drive with passenger in/on part of vehicle not enclosed	16	24	23	16	13
Drive with passenger in/on part of vehicle not permitted	26	80	70	73	62
Drive with passenger less than 4 years in front row of vehicle with two or more rows	11	19	3		
Drive with passenger under 4 yrs old in front row of vehicle			14	17	12
Drive with passenger under 6 months old not in fastened and adjusted approved restraint	91	233	98		
Drive with passengers 4 yrs or older but less than 7 yrs old not restrained as prescribed			950	1,572	1,580
Drive without proper control of vehicle	200	502	339	266	255
Drive without proper control of vehicle - School Zone	2	1	1		
Drive without proper control of vehicle (in school zone)					2
Drive wrong way on one-way service road	13	17	26	17	21
Drive/stand vehicle with speed evasion article	58				
Drive/tow vehicle with load causing instability	6	19	27	23	24
Drive/tow vehicle with overhanging load	16	51	98	111	101
Drive/tow vehicle with unsecured load	543	1,380	2,085	2,290	3,615
Drive/use vehicle with sound system emitting offensive noise	19	29	23	13	7
Driver consume alcohol while driving			99	183	193
Driver drive motor vehicle with person/s in/on boot	12	25	9		
Driver in left lane/traffic line not give way to bus	2	6		3	3
Driver not give way to user/animal on nature strip	1				
Driver not give way to user/animal on path	1		2		1
Driver not safely begin u-turn w/o obstructing traffic			29	35	48
Driver not safely begin u-turn without obstructing traffic	24	51	24		

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Driver not safely begin u-turn without obstructing traffic - School Zone	1	2			
Driver not wear seatbelt properly adjusted and fitted	5,311	10,702	4,155		
Driver not wear seatbelt properly adjusted/fastened			5,736	9,310	8,897
Driver of motor vehicle not pass bicycle at safe distance				9	29
Driver of public bus not stop on red B light					2
Driver use mobile phone (in school zone)			377	870	640
Driver use mobile phone in school zone	281	672	330		
Driver use mobile phone when not permitted	14,191	32,490	33,282	35,687	36,653
Enter area/land-not give way to pedestrian on area			1		2
Enter area/land-not give way to pedestrian on road			2		4
Enter area/land-not give way vehicle on area				2	1
Enter blocked childrens crossing etc (school zone)			40	21	14
Enter blocked childrens crossing/marked foot crossing etc		29	25		
Enter blocked childrens crossing/marked foot crossing/pedestrian crossing	44		22	32	33
Enter from parking area not give way to vehicle in lane			63	98	118
Enter intersection after lights/arrows change to yellow/red				1	
Enter intersection lights/arrows yellow/red in school zone				1	3
Enter intersection/crossing red traffic arrow in school zone			214	354	336
Enter intersection/crossing showing red traffic arrow	18	17	30	21	30
Enter level crossing contrary to lights/bells	1		2		
Enter level crossing when approaching train/tram seen/heard		2		3	17
Enter level crossing when crossing/road beyond blocked	1				1
Enter level crossing when train/tram on/entering crossing				4	4
Enter level crossing with gate/boom/barrier operating		6	4	4	4
Enter marked lane not give way to vehicle in lane			83	212	202
Enter road related area/adjacent land and not give way to pedestrian on road	1	1	1		
Enter road related area/adjacent land and not give way to pedestrian on road related area	1	2	2		
Enter road related area/adjacent land and not give way to vehicle on road related area	20	44	12		
Exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Class B vehicle	4			2	3
Exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Class B vehicle - Lidar	3	9	20	10	11
Exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Class B vehicle - Radar	11	15	11	4	5
Exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Class C vehicle	5	7	7	4	6
Exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Class C vehicle - Lidar	22	37	22	30	26
Exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Class C vehicle - Radar	31	59	30	25	19
Exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Class B vehicle	1	2		2	
Exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Class B vehicle - Lidar	8	15	12	19	28

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Exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Class B vehicle - Radar	14	15	13	8	5
Exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Class C vehicle	3	6	3	6	5
Exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Class C vehicle - Lidar	38	58	24	32	45
Exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Class C vehicle - Radar	38	62	20	17	18
Exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Class B vehicle	1				1
Exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Class B vehicle - Lidar		3	1	1	3
Exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Class B vehicle - Radar	5	2	3		1
Exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Class C vehicle	1	1		2	2
Exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Class C vehicle - Lidar	10	9	2	1	6
Exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Class C vehicle - Radar	16	13	6	3	3
Exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - Class B vehicle - Lidar				1	
Exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - Class C vehicle			2		
Exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - Class C vehicle - Lidar		1	1		2
Exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - Class C vehicle - Radar	2				
Exceed average speed limit 10 km/h and under - Camera recorded - Corporation			37	138	138
Exceed average speed limit 10 km/h and under - Camera recorded - Individual			742	1,851	1,870
Exceed average speed limit 10km/h and under - Camera Detected	589	1,064	584		
Exceed average speed limit over 10 km/h - Camera recorded - Corporation			18	55	47
Exceed average speed limit over 10 km/h - Camera recorded - Individual			294	699	593
Exceed average speed limit over 10km/h - Camera Detected	41	163	163		
Exceed average speed limit over 20 km/h - Camera recorded - Corporation				2	1
Exceed average speed limit over 20 km/h - Camera recorded - Individual			19	44	30
Exceed average speed limit over 20km/h - Camera Detected		3	9		
Exceed speed limit 10 km/h and under - Camera Detected	775	1,652	738		
Exceed speed limit 10 km/h and under - Camera Detected - School Zone	25,424	58,902	27,370		
Exceed speed limit 10km/h and under - Camera Detected	97,917	220,940	104,768		
Exceed speed limit over 10 km/h - Camera Detected	351	847	354		
Exceed speed limit over 10 km/h - Camera Detected - School Zone	13,065	29,573	13,848		
Exceed speed limit over 10km/h - Camera Detected	47,470	113,050	54,086		
Exceed speed limit over 20 km/h - Camera Detected	70	169	77		
Exceed speed limit over 20 km/h - Camera Detected - School Zone	564	1,342	601		
Exceed speed limit over 20km/h - Camera Detected	3,612	8,817	4,251		
Exceed speed limit over 30 km/h - Camera Detected	603	1,514	715		
Exceed speed limit over 30 km/h - Camera Detected - School Zone	14	35	25		
Exceed speed limit over 45 km/h - Camera Detected	100	287	141		
Exceed speed limit over 45 km/h - Camera Detected - School Zone	1		1		

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Fail to display L plate on car as required	1,476	3,181	3,251	3,077	2,597
Fail to display L plate on motorcycle as required	579	1,218	1,049	1,095	1,048
Follow long motor vehicle too closely - (class B/C in average speed detection zone)		1			
Follow long motor vehicle too closely - (class B/C in Safe-T-Cam zone)	278	428	156		
Follow long motor vehicle too closely - (Not class B/C in Safe-T-Cam/average speed detection zone)	31	21	8		
Follow long motor vehicle too closely-class B/C motor vehicle in ave speed zone					41
Follow long motor vehicle too closely-class B/C motor vehicle in Safe-T-Cam zone			264	472	289
Follow long motor vehicle too close-not Class B/C S-T-C/ave speed			10	11	13
Give left change of direction signal (less than 5 seconds)	9	20	5		
Give left change of direction signal (less than 5 seconds)			13	20	24
Give right change of direction signal (less than 5 seconds)	13	26	16	10	25
Going straight ahead not give way to vehicle on right			1	5	6
Increase speed while being overtaken	1	4	5	3	3
Learner drive towed vehicle	1		1		
Learner exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under	4	8	10	11	10
Learner exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Lidar	3	3	1	4	4
Learner exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Radar	3	5	6	7	10
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h	20	23	28	21	31
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - Lidar	17	18	6		
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - Radar	11	29	13		
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - Lidar			5	23	26
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - Radar			18	27	32
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	1				
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1		1		
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h	15	18	21	14	26
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - Lidar	16	29	27	32	25
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - Radar	16	24	30	20	31
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone	1				
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Lidar				1	
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar			1		
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h	9	9	9	18	12
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h - Lidar	30	22	23	32	32
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h - Radar	13	12	25	12	16
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h	1	7	9	6	6
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - Lidar	17	9	10	17	13
Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - Radar	9	1	2	5	3

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Learner exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - School Zone - Lidar			1		
Learner or provisional P1 or P2 licence holder use mobile phone while driving					1,679
Learner or provisional P1 or P2 licence holder use mobile phone while driving - school zone					28
Learner ride motor bike/trike not on approved list	17	36	19	14	16
Learner ride motor cycle with other person	38	70	75	75	70
Learner tow other vehicle	7	27	21	18	12
Learner/P1 driver use mobile phone while driving	277	692	280		
Learner/P1 driver use mobile phone while driving - School Zone	4	15	9		
Learner/P1 licence holder use mobile phone while driving			444	916	399
Learner/P1 licence use mobile phone when driving-school zone			5	22	9
Learner/P1/P2 driver not wear seatbelt properly adjusted	189	386	160		
Learner/P1/P2 driver not wear seatbelt properly adjusted etc			267	416	375
Learner/P1/P2 driver occupy seat where seatbelts not fitted		1	2	3	1
Learner/P1/P2 driver passengers (greater than 16) seatbelts not fitted			6	13	11
Learner/P1/P2 driver passengers (over 16) not wear seatbelts	27	80	54	52	49
Learner/P1/P2 driver passengers (over 16) seatbelts not fitted	6	16	4		
Learner/P1/P2 driver with under 16 year old not restrained as age appropriate	99	179	79		
Learner/P1/P2 driver with under 16 yr old not restrained			77	116	111
Leave area - not give way to pedestrian or vehicle on area	1	3	1		
Leave area/land-not give way to pedestrian			5	9	8
Leave area/land-not give way to vehicle			78	136	141
Leave area-not give way to pedestrian/vehicle on area				5	2
Leave area-not give way to vehicle on area			1		3
Leave road related area/adjacent land and not give way to vehicle on road	211	417	125		
Leave road related area/adjacent land-not give way to pedestrian on road		2	1		
Leave road related area/adjacent land-not give way to pedestrian/vehicle on road related area	12	15	6		
Left turn not give way to pedestrian - unmarked intersection			1	2	1
Left turn not give way to veh on right-unmarked intersection			8	18	18
Left turn slip lane not give way to vehicle - unmarked intersection			1	2	
Make U-turn at break in dividing strip contrary to sign	215	480	557	671	551
Make U-turn at break in dividing strip contrary to sign - School Zone	2	9	1		
Make U-turn at dividing strip contrary to sign school zone			7	3	4
Make U-turn at intersection (no lights) contrary to sign	89	231	343	294	266
Make U-turn at intersection (no lights) contrary to sign - School Zone	3				
Make U-turn at intersection (no lights) in school zone				3	5
Make U-turn at intersection with traffic lights	3,240	6,574	6,796	6,551	7,478

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Make U-turn at intersection with traffic lights - School Zone	13	20	8		
Make U-turn at intersection with traffic lights -school zone			9	14	19
Make U-turn on length of road contrary to sign	321	537	571	417	485
Make U-turn on length of road contrary to sign - school zone				3	2
Make U-turn on length of road contrary to sign - School Zone		1	1		
Make U-turn without giving way to pedestrian etc school zone					1
Make U-turn without giving way to vehicle/pedestrian	186	386	203	115	100
Make U-turn without giving way to vehicle/pedestrian - School Zone		3	2		
Motor bike rider (alone) not wear/secure fit approved helmet		473	834		829
Motor bike rider (alone) not wear/securely fit approved helmet	338	821	304		
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Camera recorded - Corporation			1,590	3,075	3,337
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Camera recorded - Individual			134,018	239,593	225,900
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Camera recorded - Corporation			447	783	858
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Camera recorded - Individual			37,058	64,683	64,798
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Camera recorded - Corporation			904	1,873	2,005
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Camera recorded - Individual			70,455	130,207	120,324
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Camera recorded - Corporation			197	375	428
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Camera recorded - Individual			18,167	31,839	31,687
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Camera recorded - Corporation			68	183	212
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Camera recorded - Individual			5,907	11,319	11,259
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Camera recorded - Corporation			5	20	24
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Camera recorded - Individual			761	1,379	1,309
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Camera recorded - Corporation			16	34	41
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - Camera recorded - Individual			1,023	2,020	2,184
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Camera recorded - Individual			18	56	46
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Camera recorded - Corporation			1	4	6
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Camera recorded - Individual			188	365	414
Motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - School Zone - Camera recorded - Individual			1	1	
Motor vehicle tow more than one motor vehicle/trailer etc			2	2	
Motor vehicle tow more than one motor vehicle/trailer/other vehicle without permission	1	3	1		
Move into path of police or emergency vehicle	1	4	5	6	3
Negligent driving (no death or grievous bodily harm)		17,897	9,623	6,299	5,881
Negligent Driving (Not occasioning death/grievous bodily harm)	9,370				
Not Class B/C motor vehicle in S-T-C/ave speed zone - solid edge line			319	596	476
Not comply conditions of licence (not clause 22(b) - 32 - 33 - 34)	1,695	3,376	3,255	3,246	3,060
Not comply P1 licence-no P plates (class C)	6,003	12,702	12,520	12,581	11,887

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Not comply P1 licence-no P plates (class R)	357	834	676	702	697
Not comply P1/P2 high performance vehicle restriction	606	1,325	696	741	766
Not comply P1/P2 passenger restriction - carry more than one passenger after disqualification	191	402	454	405	446
Not comply P2 licence-no P plates	12,368	26,427	25,563	26,484	25,433
Not comply with P1 pillion passenger restrictions	34	62	66	62	76
Not drive in lane marked for particular vehicle	69	111	103	89	91
Not drive in lane on multi-lane road - (class B/C in average speed detection zone)	1	2			
Not drive in lane on multi-lane road - (class B/C in Safe-T-Cam zone)	1		1		
Not drive in lane on multi-lane road - (Not class B/C in Safe-T-Cam/average speed zone)	244	514	115		
Not drive in traffic line on road with no lanes - (Not class B/C in Safe-T-Cam/average speed zone)	2	10	3		
Not drive left of traffic island in roundabout	118	247	238	303	303
Not drive on far left side of road - (motor vehicle)	75	147	46		
Not drive on far left side of road-motor vehicle			91	173	144
Not give left change of direction signal - (exit roundabout)	42	81	44		
Not give left change of direction signal (exit roundabout)			53	87	96
Not give left change of direction signal in roundabout	10	17	25	19	26
Not give left change of direction signal with lights	268	599	615	693	749
Not give particulars to injured person	19	32	29	32	22
Not give particulars to other driver	700	1,425	1,398	1,733	1,720
Not give particulars to owner of damaged property	356	661	638	630	693
Not give particulars to police	43	71	86	48	44
Not give right change of direction signal in roundabout	25	54	29	27	38
Not give right change of direction signal with lights	269	541	572	615	694
Not give sufficient left change of direction signal	18	67	60	62	84
Not give sufficient right change of direction signal	34	63	66	58	98
Not give sufficient warning of stopping		1	1		
Not give way (diverges left or right within marked lane)	8	16	6	9	10
Not give way (move from marked lane to another)	606	1,281	832	631	635
Not give way (move from one line of traffic to another)	53	107	67	48	58
Not give way at intersection to vehicle on right	53	112	97	76	81
Not give way at intersection to vehicle on right - School Zone		1			
Not give way at intersection to vehicle on right-school zone				1	
Not give way at lights to oncoming vehicle (right turn)	728	1,335	623	398	373
Not give way at lights to oncoming vehicle (right turn) - School Zone		2			
Not give way at lights to oncoming vehicle in school zone				1	1
Not give way at lights to other vehicle (left turn)	13	18	7	7	11

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Not give way at lights to pedestrian (left turn)	9	23	36	26	40
Not give way at lights to pedestrian (left turn) - School Zone	1	1			
Not give way at lights to pedestrian (left turn)-school zone			1		
Not give way at lights to pedestrian on road	39	82	32		
Not give way at lights to pedestrian on road - School Zone		1	1		
Not give way at lights to pedestrian on road being entered			32	69	77
Not give way at lights to pedestrian on road in school zone			1	1	2
Not give way at lights to pedestrian on road in school zone	198	418	342	225	197
Not give way to oncoming vehicle (right turn)	1				
Not give way to oncoming vehicle (right turn) - School Zone			1	1	
Not give way to oncoming vehicle (right turn) school zone			83		
Not give way to oncoming vehicle (unmarked intersection)	151	305			2
Not give way to pedestrian (flashing yellow arrow)					
Not give way to pedestrian (flashing yellow light)	1	1			
Not give way to pedestrian (give way sign/line)	2	5	1	1	4
Not give way to pedestrian (give way sign/line) school zone			1		
Not give way to pedestrian (intersection no lights) - school zone				2	
Not give way to pedestrian (intersection with no lights)	1	5	7	6	4
Not give way to pedestrian (intersection with no lights) - School Zone			1		
Not give way to pedestrian (left turn from slip lane)	1		2		1
Not give way to pedestrian (left turn)	5	6	14	16	12
Not give way to pedestrian (left turn-unmarked intersection)		2			
Not give way to pedestrian (right turn at terminating road)	1	2		1	
Not give way to pedestrian (right turn)	15	26	25	31	29
Not give way to pedestrian (right turn) - School Zone		1	1		
Not give way to pedestrian (slip lane at terminating road)			1		
Not give way to pedestrian (unmarked intersection)	1	2	7		
Not give way to pedestrian at T-intersection		1	3	1	1
Not give way to pedestrian at T-intersection (left turn)				2	
Not give way to pedestrian at traffic light - stop sign	1	1	3		
Not give way to pedestrian at traffic light-stop sign			4	6	5
Not give way to pedestrian in shared zone	1				
Not give way to pedestrian in shared zone-motor vehicle				5	3
Not give way to pedestrian on crossing - (motor vehicle)	101	196	79		
Not give way to pedestrian on crossing-motor vehicle			97	198	183
Not give way to pedestrian on crossing-motor vehicle in school zone			4	8	8
Not give way to pedestrian on pedestrian crossing - School Zone	3	8	5		

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Not give way to pedestrian-left turn into terminating road			1	3	
Not give way to pedestrian-left turn into terminating road (unmarked intersection)	2	1			
Not give way to pedestrian-right turn into terminating road			4	2	5
Not give way to pedestrian-right turn into terminating road (unmarked intersection)	2	4	3		
Not give way to pedestrian-slip turn into terminating road	1				
Not give way to pedestrian-turn from terminating road	1	2	1	2	
Not give way to police or emergency vehicle			9	25	21
Not give way to police/emergency vehicle	6	19	6		
Not give way to train/tram at level crossing with stop sign	1				2
Not give way to tram when entering roundabout			1		
Not give way to vehicle - enter road related area/adjacent land at T-intersection	3	9	2		
Not give way to vehicle - right turn into road related area/adjacent land	82	152	51		
Not give way to vehicle (drive through dividing strip break)	21	52	14	16	11
Not give way to vehicle (enter road from parking area)	35	92	32		
Not give way to vehicle (enter road from side/shoulder)	172	350	129		
Not give way to vehicle (give way sign/line)	616	1,191	666	461	452
Not give way to vehicle (give way sign/line) in school zone				5	3
Not give way to vehicle (intersection with no lights)	361	692	422	235	237
Not give way to vehicle (intersection with no lights) - School Zone	1	1	1		
Not give way to vehicle (intersection with no lights)-school zone				4	2
Not give way to vehicle (left turn from slip lane)	4	14	8	9	3
Not give way to vehicle (left turn)	23	47	32	29	36
Not give way to vehicle (left turn-unmarked intersection)	11	35	11		
Not give way to vehicle (left turn-unmarked intersection)	3	2	2	2	1
Not give way to vehicle (median turning bay)					
Not give way to vehicle (right to terminating road) - school zone			1		
Not give way to vehicle (right turn at terminating road)	24	80	45	41	54
Not give way to vehicle (right turn)	101	180	96	67	118
Not give way to vehicle (right turn) - School Zone	2	1			
Not give way to vehicle (right turn) in school zone				3	2
Not give way to vehicle (slip lane at terminating road)	2	3	1		5
Not give way to vehicle (slip turn-unmarked intersection)			1		
Not give way to vehicle ahead when merging	8	17	7	8	15
Not give way to vehicle at give way sign/line - School Zone	2	6	1		
Not give way to vehicle at T-intersection	41	92	43	47	59
Not give way to vehicle at T-intersection (slip lane)		4	2	1	
Not give way to vehicle at T-intersection in school zone					1

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Not give way to vehicle at traffic light - stop sign	5	8	5		
Not give way to vehicle at traffic light - stop sign - School Zone			1		
Not give way to vehicle at traffic light-stop sign				10	6
Not give way to vehicle-enter area/land at T-intersection		5		1	1
Not give way to vehicle entering turning lane (to left)		4	4	1	2
Not give way to vehicle entering turning lane (to right)	3	4	2	2	3
Not give way to vehicle in turning lane	1	2	54		
Not give way to vehicle on right (right turn - unmarked intersection)	78	137	11		
Not give way to vehicle on right (travelling straight - unmarked intersection)	14	26	23	35	29
Not give way to vehicle- right turn into area/land			738	559	634
Not give way to vehicle when entering roundabout	552	1,066	37	24	16
Not give way to vehicle/pedestrian (give way sign/line)	17	39			
Not give way to vehicle/pedestrian (give way sign/line) - School Zone		1			
Not give way to vehicle/pedestrian (stop sign)	241	451	225	140	122
Not give way to vehicle/pedestrian (stop sign) - school zone	1	3	7	3	2
Not give way to vehicle-left turn from slip lane			3	3	2
Not give way to vehicle-left turn from slip lane (unmarked intersection)	3	3	1		
Not give way to vehicle-right turn into terminating road			40	49	59
Not give way to vehicle-right turn into terminating road (unmarked intersection)	147	223	64		
Not give way to vehicle-slip turn into terminating road				3	3
Not give way to vehicle-slip turn into terminating road (unmarked intersection)	1	1	2		
Not give way to vehicle-turn from terminating road			123	157	156
Not give way to vehicle-turn from terminating road (unmarked intersection)	188	401	119		
Not in lane-multi lane-class B/C motor vehicle in average speed zone				1	1
Not in lane-multi lane-class B/C motor vehicle in Safe-T-Cam zone			1	2	2
Not in lane-multi lane-not Class B/C S-T-C/ave speed zone			190	580	870
Not in traffic line-not Class B/C S-T-C/average speed zone			21	11	37
Not keep left of centre two-way road - (class B/C)	25	36	9		
Not keep left of centre two-way road - (class C in average speed detection zone)			1		
Not keep left of centre two-way road - (not class B/C)	58	150	57		
Not keep left of centre two-way road-class B/C vehicle			13	9	19
Not keep left of centre two-way road-not class B/C vehicle			83	137	167
Not keep left of dividing line - (class B in average speed detection zone)		1			
Not keep left of dividing line - (class B in Safe-T-Cam zone)	1	3	3		
Not keep left of dividing line - (class B/C)	128	272	111		
Not keep left of dividing line - (class C in Safe-T-Cam zone)	75	72	47		

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Not keep left of dividing line - (not class B/C)	1,257	2,773	1,300		
Not keep left of dividing line road-class B average speed			1	1	
Not keep left of dividing line-class B in Safe-T-Cam				1	
Not keep left of dividing line-class B/C vehicle			124	181	164
Not keep left of dividing line-class C average speed			2	2	1
Not keep left of dividing line-class C in Safe-T-Cam			32	106	69
Not keep left of dividing line-not class B/C vehicle			1,597	2,747	3,015
Not keep left of median strip - (motor vehicle)	214	355	164		
Not keep left of median strip-motor vehicle			227	387	429
Not keep left of oncoming vehicle - (motor vehicle)	33	52	20		
Not keep left of oncoming vehicle-motor vehicle			26	50	52
Not leave intersection after light/arrow goes yellow/red	1	3	2		
Not leave intersection after lights/arrows go yellow/red				3	4
Not leave intersection lights change yellow/red school zone					2
Not leave intersection safely after yellow light/arrow	1	1			
Not maintain left change of direction signal in roundabout	2	2	6	2	3
Not maintain right change of direction signal in roundabout	2	5	11	7	11
Not move out of path of police or emergency vehicle	30	72	56	72	74
Not obey direction of police/authorised person	107	251	276	296	361
Not remove/have removed any thing fallen/put on road		2	1		
Not reverse vehicle safely	535	1,138	879	832	826
Not reverse vehicle safely - School Zone	1	5	3		
Not reverse vehicle safely (in school zone)			4	5	3
Not safely begin u-turn w/o obstructing traffic school zone			2	6	5
Not sit astride motor bike riders seat facing forward			3	1	3
Not sit astride on motor bike riders seat	4	6	1		
Not start U-turn from left of centre of road		8	4	3	3
Not start U-turn from left of centre of road - School Zone		1			
Not start U-turn in lane nearest dividing line - school zone				1	1
Not start U-turn in lane nearest dividing line/median strip	5	10	12	6	12
Not start U-turn in lane nearest dividing line/median strip - School Zone		1			
Not stop at childrens crossing - pedestrian on/entering crossing	1	5			
Not stop at childrens crossing - pedestrian on/entering crossing - School Zone	1	7	4		
Not stop at childrens crossing/pedestrian on crossing-motor vehicle			1	9	21
Not stop at stop line (intersection no lights) - school zone			83	459	407
Not stop at stop line (intersection with no lights)			3,465	6,731	7,939

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Not stop at stop line (intersection with no lights) - School Zone	43	167	107		
Not stop at stop line at red arrow - School Zone	2	2	1		
Not stop at stop line at red arrow (motor vehicle)	746	1,502	1,602	1,554	1,767
Not stop at stop line at red light (motor vehicle)	2,657	5,365	2,210		
Not stop at stop line at red light (motor vehicle) - School Zone	4	13	6		
Not stop at stop line at red light (not toll booth)-motor vehicle			2,757	4,739	4,881
Not stop at stop line at red light (school zone)-motor vehicle	103	259	19	30	15
Not stop at stop line at yellow arrow	1		217	251	293
Not stop at stop line at yellow arrow - School Zone	1		1		
Not stop at stop line at yellow arrow in school zone			1		1
Not stop at stop line at yellow light	577	1,262	1,195	1,251	1,364
Not stop at stop line at yellow light - School Zone		6	3		
Not stop at stop line at yellow light in school zone			2	9	4
Not stop at stop line/sign (intersection with no lights)	3,900	8,563	4,135		
Not stop at stop line/sign at level crossing	173	332	442	372	356
Not stop at traffic lights - stop sign (lights not working)	3	2			
Not stop at traffic lights - stop sign (lights not working) - School Zone		1			
Not stop at traffic light-stop sign (lights not working)				8	1
Not stop at/before stop line/stop sign	1,276	2,430	3,458	4,012	4,715
Not stop at/before stop line/stop sign - School Zone	21	65	141		
Not stop at/before stop line/stop sign in school zone			106	233	138
Not stop before hand-held stop sign	1	1		4	5
Not stop before intersection at yellow arrow	10	14	7	7	10
Not stop before intersection at yellow arrow - School Zone		1			
Not stop before intersection at yellow arrow in school zone					1
Not stop before intersection at yellow light	41	85	46	29	35
Not stop before intersection at yellow light in school zone			1	2	
Not stop before lights (twin red lights)	2	6	6		1
Not stop before lights at red arrow (motor vehicle)	38	91	94	79	112
Not stop before lights at red light (motor vehicle)	92	171	57		
Not stop before lights at red light (motor vehicle) - School Zone		1			
Not stop before lights at red light (not toll booth)-motor vehicle			96	150	213
Not stop before stop here on red signal sign at red arrow (motor vehicle)	2	5	4		
Not stop before stop here on red signal sign at red traffic light (motor vehicle)	5	20	2		
Not stop before stop line (twin red lights)			1	1	1
Not stop before stop line at yellow arrow			10	23	22

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Not stop before stop sign at red arrow (motor vehicle)			12	21	19
Not stop before stop sign-red light (not toll booth)-motor vehicle			21	23	40
Not stop before traffic lights at yellow arrow - no stop line		1	1		
Not stop before traffic lights at yellow light			66	111	187
Not stop before traffic lights at yellow light - no stop line	5	5	6		
Not stop before traffic lights at yellow light school zone				2	1
Not stop childrens crossing pedestrian on crossing-school zone			1	4	8
Not stop motor vehicle at stop line at red arrow (school zone)			3	3	2
Not stop motor vehicle before lights at red arrow (school zone)				2	1
Not stop motor vehicle before lights at red light (school zone)			5	2	2
Not stop motor vehicle before stop sign-red light (school zone)					1
Not stop on red B light		2			
Not stop on red T light	2	4		4	2
Not stop on yellow B light		1			
Not stop on yellow T light	1	2	2	1	3
Not turn left from far left side of road (motor vehicle)	21	59	45	64	86
Not turn left from multi-lane road from left lane (motor vehicle)	322	571	160		
Not turn left from multi-lane road from left lane-motor vehicle			243	501	505
Not turn left from slip lane from multi-lane road - (motor vehicle)	15	27	46		
Not turn left from slip lane from multi-lane road-motor vehicle			52	100	209
Not turn right from far right side of one-way road (motor vehicle)	4	19	9		
Not turn right from far right side of one-way road-motor vehicle			6	15	22
Not turn right from left of centre of road correctly (motor vehicle)	24	54	21		
Not turn right from left of centre of road correctly-motor vehicle			25	24	37
Not turn right from left of line/strip correctly (motor vehicle)	6	13	5		
Not turn right from left of line/strip correctly-motor vehicle			11	13	12
Not turn right from multi-lane road from right lane-motor vehicle			466	611	860
Not turn right from multi-lane road from within right lane (motor vehicle)	248	667	328		
Not turn right near right of centre of intersection-motor vehicle			13	16	11
Not turn right near to right of centre of intersection (motor vehicle)	4	15	9		
Operate vehicle to cause driving wheel(s) to undergo sustained loss of traction			895	902	843
Overtake to left of vehicle	327	630	514	568	544
Overtake to right of vehicle turning right/making U-turn	31	63	44	26	28
Overtake vehicle contrary to no overtaking or passing sign	1	5	1	1	
Overtake vehicle too closely	18	31	24	34	18
Overtake vehicle when unsafe	188	396	373	383	418

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Overtake/pass vehicle (flashing yellow light) in school zone					1
Overtake/pass vehicle contrary to sign	2	4	2	5	1
P1 class R drive motor cycle greater than 660 ml/150 kw/t - 1st offence	47	75	64	61	44
P1 class R drive motor cycle greater than 660 ml/150 kw/t - 2nd plus offence	3	5	1	1	2
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under	57	95	103	128	121
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Lidar	20	24	38	42	55
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Radar	80	139	128	124	121
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - School Zone			1		
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Lidar		2	1	1	2
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Radar		2	3	2	
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h	131	317	313	297	359
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - Lidar	209	440	394	482	473
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - Radar	281	617	624	590	657
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone		2	2	1	
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	4	6	5	4	4
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	3		1	
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h	68	137	201	215	206
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - Lidar	251	455	436	506	563
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - Radar	192	432	452	424	363
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Lidar		3	2		
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	3	2	1	1
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h	38	81	89	107	98
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h - Lidar	178	340	366	435	473
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h - Radar	96	211	207	180	187
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	1	1			
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Radar				1	
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h	10	32	40	43	33
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - Lidar	64	106	87	112	133
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - Radar	19	47	52	58	51
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - School Zone		1			
P1 driver exceed 90 km/h - over 45 km/h - School Zone - Lidar		1			
P1 driver under 25 years old drive between 11pm and 5am with more than 1 passenger under 21 years	512	906	725	729	706
P2 class R drive motor cycle greater than 660 ml/150 kw/t - 1st offence	10	30	23	18	21
P2 class R drive motor cycle greater than 660 ml/150 kw/t - 2nd plus offence	1	1	1	1	1
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under	47	86	97	103	131
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Lidar	42	71	80	99	128

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P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - Radar	82	162	167	171	161
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - School Zone			2		
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Lidar		1	1	1	1
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - 10 km/h and under - School Zone - Radar			1	2	1
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h	108	254	272	266	343
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Lidar	595	1,048	949	1,090	1,208
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - Radar	333	662	700	665	686
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone				1	1
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	6	7	8	4	4
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 10 km/h - School Zone - Radar		1	2	2	1
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h	44	143	114	165	172
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Lidar	434	781	664	826	1,061
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - Radar	150	304	305	259	275
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone				1	
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Lidar		1	1	1	2
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 20 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1	2			
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h	27	51	53	72	57
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - Lidar	169	265	284	292	343
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - Radar	53	85	111	105	96
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Lidar	1	1	1		
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 30 km/h - School Zone - Radar	1				
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 45 km/h	9	19	13	11	14
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 45 km/h - Lidar	21	41	57	57	68
P2 driver exceed 100 km/h - over 45 km/h - Radar	16	15	17	19	14
Part of body outside window or door - driver			147	248	297
Part of body outside window/door (driver permit passenger)	47	58	57	59	71
Part of body outside window/door (driver)	105	215	58		
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Lidar					1
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h				1	1
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Lidar			2		5
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Radar					1
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h				2	
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Lidar					3
Pass bus - Class A motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 45 km/h - Radar			1		1
Pass bus - Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Lidar			2		
Pass bus - Class B motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 20 km/h - Lidar				1	

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Pass bus - Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Lidar					1
Pass bus - Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - 10 km/h and under - Radar			2	1	
Pass bus - Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Lidar					1
Pass bus - Class C motor vehicle exceed speed limit - over 10 km/h - Radar			1		2
Pass school bus at more than 40 km/h - Class A motor vehicle - over 10 km/h	1				
Pass school bus at more than 40 km/h - Class A motor vehicle - over 10 km/h - Lidar		1	1		
Pass school bus at more than 40 km/h - Class A motor vehicle - over 20 km/h		1			
Pass school bus at more than 40 km/h - Class C motor vehicle - over 10 km/h - Radar	1				
Pass vehicle contrary to no overtaking or passing sign	1	4			
Pass/overtake vehicle at pedestrian/childrens crossing	2	12	6		
Pass/overtake vehicle at pedestrian/childrens crossing - School Zone		4			
Pass/overtake vehicle at pedestrian/childrens crossing-motor vehicle			4	11	7
Proceed after light changes to yellow/red while stopped	15	45	15		
Proceed after stopping (twin red lights showing)		3	2	2	13
Proceed at childrens crossing - pedestrian on/entering crossing	1		1		
Proceed at childrens crossing - pedestrian on/entering crossing - School Zone		2	1		
Proceed at childrens crossing contrary to directions - School Zone	1				
Proceed at childrens crossing pedestrian at crossing-school zone			2	1	
Proceed at childrens crossing while sign shown - School Zone	1				
Proceed at childrens crossing while sign shown-school zone				1	2
Proceed at childrens crossing while sign shown-school zone			1		1
Proceed before allowed after stop on red/yellow B light		1	1	2	
Proceed before allowed after stop on red/yellow T light			1	1	
Proceed contrary to hand-held stop sign in school zone					1
Proceed past hand-held stop sign (sign shown)-school zone			1		1
Proceed past hand-held stop sign contrary to directions		1	1	1	2
Proceed past hand-held stop sign while sign shown	1	2	2	6	1
Proceed past hand-held stop sign while sign shown - School Zone		1			
Proceed through red traffic arrow	481	856	315		
Proceed through red traffic arrow - Camera Detected - Corporation	270	804	387		
Proceed through red traffic arrow - Camera Detected - Individual	22,902	69,547	28,635		
Proceed through red traffic arrow - Camera Detected - School Zone - Corporation	1	1	1		
Proceed through red traffic arrow - Camera Detected - School Zone - Individual	15	137	39		
Proceed through red traffic arrow - Camera recorded - Corporation			443	716	1,039
Proceed through red traffic arrow - Camera recorded - Individual			40,461	66,108	76,495
Proceed through red traffic arrow - School Zone	3	4	2		

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Proceed through red traffic arrow - School zone - Camera recorded - Individual			69	130	117
Proceed through red traffic arrow school zone - Camera recorded - Corporation			1		2
Proceed through red traffic light - Camera Detected - Corporation	376	952	474		
Proceed through red traffic light - Camera Detected - Individual	30,563	82,823	39,805		
Proceed through red traffic light - Camera Detected - School Zone - Corporation	1	3	1		
Proceed through red traffic light - Camera Detected - School Zone - Individual	58	264	136		
Proceed through red traffic light - Camera recorded - Corporation			520	907	1,166
Proceed through red traffic light - Camera recorded - Individual			53,990	88,452	94,647
Proceed through red traffic light - School Zone	5	5	3		
Proceed through red traffic light - School Zone - Camera recorded - Corporation			3	3	5
Proceed through red traffic light - School Zone - Camera recorded - Individual			238	415	315
Proceed through red traffic light (not toll booth)	869	1,744	1,662	1,796	1,765
Proceed through red traffic light (school zone)			4	10	9
Provisional P1 class C holder tow vehicle over 250kg	32	95	106	102	92
Ride motor bike with more than 1 passenger		1	1		
Ride motor bike with passenger not hold licence for 1 year			8	14	4
Ride motor bike with passenger under 8 years not in sidecar			10	2	5
Ride motor bike/trike engine over 660 millilitres or power to weight over 150 kilowatts/tonne	31	65	39	38	31
Ride past vehicle in same lane etc exceed 30 km/hr			29	29	44
Ride with animal between rider and motor bike handle bars			1	1	1
Ride with excess passengers in/on motor bike sidecar/seat			1	1	
Rider carry passenger not safely seated in sidecar		1			
Rider w/o helmet ride with 1 passenger w/o helmet			19	41	30
Rider w/o helmet ride with 2 passengers w/o helmets			2		
Rider w/o helmet ride with 3 passengers w/o helmets				1	
Rider with helmet ride with 1 passenger w/o helmet			30	62	44
Rider with helmet ride with 1 passenger without helmet	26	57	22		
Rider with helmet ride with 2 passengers w/o helmets					1
Rider with helmet ride with 2 passengers without helmets	1				
Rider without helmet ride with 1 passenger without helmet	15	42	14		
Rider without helmet ride with 2 passengers without helmets			1		
Right turn not give way to oncoming vehicle - unmarked intersection			44	120	82
Right turn not give way to pedestrian - unmarked intersection			1	2	1
Right turn not give way to vehicle on right - unmarked intersection			12	17	14
Stand vehicle in disabled persons parking space without authority			2,159	4,049	4,645
Stand/drive motor vehicle with speed measuring evasion article fitted		85	71	43	30

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Start/drive vehicle causing unnecessary noise/smoke	56	174	171	140	138
Stop at/near bus stop - School Zone	95	254	72		
Stop at/near bus stop (in school zone)			160	189	215
Stop in bus zone - School Zone	4,031	7,517	3,256		
Stop in bus zone (in school zone)			4,329	7,977	7,884
Stop in disabled parking area without current permit displayed			6,419	10,933	11,138
Stop on area marked with keep clear marking	3	32	32	34	32
Stop on painted island in school zone			3	6	15
Stop on path/strip in built-up area - School Zone	230	457	196		
Stop on path/strip in built-up area (in school zone)			692	638	518
Stop on traffic island in school zone			3	4	2
Stop on/across driveway etc to/from land (in school zone)			228	333	303
Stop on/across driveway/other access to/from land - School Zone	159	305	105		
Stop on/near childrens crossing	3	12	9	25	22
Stop on/near childrens crossing - School Zone	131	253	92		
Stop on/near childrens crossing (in school zone)			184	294	226
Stop on/near level crossing	1	7	18		
Stop on/near marked foot crossing	195	201	192	207	190
Stop on/near marked foot crossing - School Zone	10	29	7		
Stop on/near marked foot crossing (in school zone)			20	30	37
Stop on/near pedestrian crossing	881	1,404	1,480	1,484	1,135
Stop on/near pedestrian crossing - School Zone	216	326	140		
Stop on/near pedestrian crossing (in school zone)			238	29	361
Tow trailer when not safe			17	39	44
Tow trailer when unsafe	11	23	14		
Tow trailer with person in/on trailer	4	2	4	1	2
Tow trailer without control of movement of trailer				1	6
Tow vehicle when unsafe	3	7	10	12	15
Tow without control of towed vehicle	1	3	2	1	3
Tow without control of trailer	5	8	3		
Towed vehicle not in order/with licensed person/in control	1	1		3	1
Towed vehicle weight exceeds capacity of towing attachment			13	33	31
Towed vehicle weight exceeds maximum laden weight			7	41	36
Towed vehicle/trailer exceed maximum laden weight	2	18	11		
Towed vehicle/trailer exceed towing capacity	11	22	6		
Turn left contrary to turn line (motor vehicle)	7	3	10	7	11

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Turn right contrary to road marking (motor vehicle)	50	78	33		
Turn right contrary to turn line-motor vehicle			15	36	21
Use Class A vehicle number plate not correctly fixed		108	321	310	353
Use Class A vehicle number plate not correctly fixed /displayed	214	236			
Use Class A vehicle number plate obscured/defaced		627	1,637	1,514	2,201
Use Class A vehicle number plate obscured/defaced/illegal	751	995			
Use Class A vehicle with illegal number plate	19	55	73	102	92
Use Class B or C vehicle number plate not correctly fixed		12	23	14	24
Use Class B or C vehicle number plate not correctly fixed/displayed	13	18			
Use Class B or C vehicle number plate obscured/defaced		21	52	105	96
Use Class B or C vehicle number plate obscured/defaced/illegal	22	32			
Use Class B or C vehicle with illegal number plate		3		1	1
Use heavy vehicle contravene vehicle defect notice - major		7	10	23	20
Use heavy vehicle contravene vehicle defect notice - minor		23	61	91	40
Use heavy vehicle not fitted seatbelts/anchorages		4	7	2	2
Use heavy vehicle seatbelt missing/defective		6	24	11	37
Use heavy vehicle with dangerous protrusion				2	9
Use heavy vehicle with defective brakes		52	191	153	89
Use heavy vehicle with defective seating			6		3
Use heavy vehicle with defective steering		2	14	2	1
Use unregistered registrable Class B motor vehicle	144				
Use unregistered registrable Class B motor vehicle on road		300	276	254	271
Use unregistered registrable Class B or C motor vehicle on road - Camera recorded		4	5		
Use unregistered registrable Class C motor vehicle	239				
Use unregistered registrable Class C motor vehicle on road		453	489	627	501
Use vehicle in breach of major defect notice	68	138	99	119	98
Use vehicle in breach of minor defect notice	154	290	313	366	355
Use vehicle not comply with standard (dangerous protrusions on bullbar-GVM of 3 1/2 tonnes or less)	63	31			
Use vehicle not comply with standard (defective brakes)	70	109			
Use vehicle not comply with standard (defective steering)	7	11			
Use vehicle not comply with standard (seat belt defective/removed)	175	295			
Use vehicle not comply with standard (seat belts/anchorages not fitted/equipped)	14	18			
Use vehicle not comply with standard brakes		22	73	82	68
Use vehicle not comply with standard dangerous protrusions		21	116	90	171
Use vehicle not comply with standard seat belt		152	391	400	472
Use vehicle not comply with standard seat belts/anchorages not fitted/equipped		11	37	67	66

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Use vehicle not comply with standard seating	36	100	108	82	
Use vehicle not comply with standard steering	11	28	87	62	
Use vehicle not comply with standards (seating)	57	70			
Use/allow use of high-beam on oncoming vehicle			473	649	701
Use/allow use of high-beam on oncoming vehicle less than 200 metres	333	796	318		
Use/allow use of high-beam on vehicle in front			84	202	190
Use/allow use of high-beam on vehicle in front less than 200 metres	75	195	66		
Use/allow use of light on/ in vehicle likely/to dazzle	25	48	50	74	55
Grand Total	481,316	1,090,394	1,139,262	1,161,600	1,187,963

Notes:

1. Data as at 24 July 2018 and may change retrospectively.
2. Includes all offences that incur demerit points with an offence date between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2017
3. Includes penalty notices that have proceeded through the entire pre-enforcement penalty notice lifecycle and were either paid, cautioned or sent to enforcement.

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Appendix B

Unique postcodes that are not shared by electorate

Electorate	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	Grand Total
Heathcote	\$66,825,891	\$65,147,763	\$73,633,664	\$102,066,391	\$110,166,624	\$124,225,752	\$144,592,029	\$143,174,773	\$829,832,888
Keira	\$6,657,241	\$6,306,232	\$7,964,215	\$7,606,581	\$9,719,392	\$11,158,997	\$13,311,077	\$12,698,207	\$75,421,942
Kiama	\$42,233,251	\$35,035,887	\$44,618,341	\$60,017,122	\$78,144,230	\$85,593,142	\$98,602,953	\$94,021,960	\$538,266,885
Shellharbour	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Wollongong	\$2,381,454	\$2,359,782	\$3,585,695	\$4,545,526	\$6,231,565	\$7,245,766	\$8,131,100	\$6,550,708	\$41,031,596

Postcodes that are not shared by multiple electorates

Postcode	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	Grand Total
2500	\$15,262,208	\$11,524,837	\$15,330,929	\$21,357,239	\$24,061,727	\$28,161,019	\$31,780,005	\$30,914,278	\$178,392,241
2515	\$6,936,103	\$5,983,667	\$6,470,486	\$8,272,578	\$9,105,199	\$11,641,495	\$11,291,998	\$14,078,463	\$73,779,989
2518	\$3,583,380	\$3,351,331	\$4,764,046	\$6,048,992	\$6,773,121	\$7,633,945	\$8,037,163	\$8,338,671	\$48,530,647
2519	\$4,233,690	\$3,883,163	\$4,956,617	\$5,562,637	\$6,901,289	\$7,901,046	\$8,275,973	\$9,477,366	\$51,191,780
2525	\$1,884,849	\$1,958,868	\$2,784,966	\$3,560,370	\$4,353,460	\$5,874,876	\$5,596,364	\$4,938,176	\$30,951,929
2526	\$2,507,811	\$2,880,067	\$3,377,721	\$4,322,096	\$4,422,150	\$6,303,531	\$7,015,909	\$7,365,646	\$38,194,929
2527	\$3,310,251	\$3,610,349	\$4,622,986	\$6,287,503	\$8,698,251	\$11,536,790	\$14,697,624	\$15,783,438	\$68,547,191
2528	\$3,759,334	\$3,187,812	\$3,991,198	\$5,983,795	\$6,824,926	\$7,405,280	\$7,195,640	\$6,631,847	\$44,979,831
2529	\$5,325,489	\$5,841,773	\$7,831,165	\$10,801,531	\$11,919,421	\$14,953,826	\$17,164,470	\$20,813,608	\$94,651,282
2530	\$4,693,214	\$4,865,788	\$7,576,753	\$8,805,662	\$11,865,055	\$12,781,956	\$15,675,978	\$16,952,117	\$83,216,523
All Electorates	\$169,594,165	\$155,937,318	\$191,508,779	\$255,238,023	\$299,186,410	\$342,417,420	\$391,368,281	\$391,739,259	\$82,196,989,655

Notes:

- Data current as at 3 July 2018.
- Data may change retrospectively.
- The following postcodes have been used to determine the electorate:
 - Heathcote: 2226, 2230, 2232, 2233, 2234, 2508, 2515
 - Keira: 2500, 2515, 2516, 2517, 2518, 2519, 2525, 2526
 - Kiama: 2527, 2529, 2530, 2533, 2534, 2535, 2540, 2541, 2577, 2622
 - Shellharbour: 2526, 2527, 2528, 2529, 2530
 - Wollongong: 2500, 2502, 2505, 2506, 2518, 2519, 2525, 2526, 2528
- There are a number of postcodes which are not unique to one electorate and cause double counting if the stamp duty value is included in more than one electorate.
- Values have been shown separately for postcodes so that total value is not incorrectly represent