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- (1) How many state electorates in New South Wales will not have a full Service NSW office within their bounds?
 - (2) What state electorates are they?
- 2264 GOSFORD SERVICE NSW CENTRE—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- With regards to the Service NSW one-stop shop located on Henry Parry Drive, Gosford:
- (1) How many transactions have been conducted (on a monthly basis) since the office opened?
 - (2) How many of the following transactions have been conducted (on a monthly basis) since the office opened:
 - (a) Driver Licence renewals;
 - (b) Car registration renewals;
 - (c) Birth certificate applications;
 - (d) NSW Housing rental payments?
- 2265 LICENSED DRIVERS—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) How many licensed drivers (car, motorcycle and modified) live in the following postcodes:
 - (a) 2250;
 - (b) 2258;
 - (c) 2260;
 - (d) 2261?
- 2266 FLASHING LIGHTS AT CHARLESTOWN EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Flashing lights are proven to reduce speeding in school zones. In light of this when will these signs be installed at all entrances to schools not only main school entry points?
 - (2) The Government's Transport for NSW website states that flashing lights cover the 'main school entry point.' Is the Minister aware that at Charlestown East Public School the flashing lights are located on Dudley Road and not Bula Street, the main school entry point?
 - (3) Will the Minister investigate the current location of the flashing lights at Charlestown East Public School?

2267 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

With regards to the Peters Report into the Hurlstone Agricultural High School at Glenfield:

- (1) Has the Minister read the report?
 - (a) If yes, when?
- (2) Does the Minister support the recommendations contained in the report to upgrade the Hurlstone facilities at Glenfield?

2268 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURE HIGH SCHOOL RELOCATION—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

Regarding the proposed relocation of Hurlstone Agriculture High School at Glenfield:

- (1) Have consultants been engaged to develop and oversee the development of the school site into more urban sprawl?
 - (a) If yes, who are the consultants?
 - (i) What is their brief?
 - (ii) When were they engaged?
 - (iii) How much are they being paid?

2269 FIG OF TOBRUK—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

With regards to the 'Fig of Tobruk' at Hurlstone Agricultural High School Glenfield, will this living memorial be transplanted to the proposed new site at Hawkesbury or will it be left at Glenfield?

2270 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL SITE BILL 2009—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

Does the Minister still support the Objects of the Hurlstone Agricultural High School Site Bill 2009?

2271 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL VACANCIES—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

With regards to Hurlstone Agricultural High School :

- (1) During 2015, how many student vacancies occurred in each of the Years 7-12?
- (2) For each of the Years 7-12, how many of these vacancies were filled?

2272 RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

- (1) Is the study of Agriculture available at Richmond High School?
 - (a) If yes, how big is the farm or 'ag plot' at the school?
 - (b) How many students studied Agriculture in Years 11 and 12 in the period between 2011 and 2015?
- (2) How far away from Richmond High School is the proposed relocated Hurlstone Agriculture High School?

2273 FARM AT HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

On what basis did the Minister conclude that the farm at Hurlstone Agricultural High School was 'surplus'?

2274 PROPOSED RELOCATION OF HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Education—

With regards to the proposed relocation of Hurlstone Agricultural High School to the Hawkesbury Campus of Western Sydney University:

- (1) Did Western Sydney University, the Minister's Office or the Department of Education initiate this proposal?
- (2) On what date did this initial proposal occur?

2275 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL SITE BILL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

With regards to the Hurlstone Agricultural High School Site Bill (2009):

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- (1) Did the Premier, in his capacity as the Member for Manly, vote for this Bill in the Legislative Assembly?
- (2) Does the Premier still support the Objects of the Bill?
- (a) If yes, will the Premier overturn his Minister for Education's decision to sell the Hurlstone farm and relocate the school to the Hawkesbury?
- (b) If no, why not?
- 2276 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) How many motor vehicle accidents were reported at the intersection Parramatta and Silverwater Roads, the intersection Parramatta Road and Rawson Street and along Hill Road in each of the years from 2012 to 2015?
- (2) At each of the aforementioned locations (Question 1) what proportion of these accidents involved pedestrians in each of the years from 2012 to 2015?
- (3) At each of the aforementioned locations (Question 1) what proportion of these accidents involved a fatality in each of the years from 2012 to 2015?
- (4) What is the estimated proportion of accidents in each of the aforementioned locations (Question 1) that remain unreported and therefore not included in these statistics?
- 2277 AMBULANCE RESPONSE TIMES AND CALL-OUTS—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) How many ambulance call-outs were there in the following suburbs in the Auburn electorate from January 2012 to January 2015:
- (a) Lidcombe;
- (b) Auburn;
- (c) Newington;
- (d) Wentworth Point;
- (e) Rookwood;
- (f) Sydney Olympic Park;
- (g) Berala;
- (h) Regents Park;
- (i) Silverwater;
- (j) South Granville?
- (2) What was the average response time between a call for assistance being placed and an ambulance arriving at the scene in the following suburbs in the Auburn electorate from January 2012 to January 2015:
- (a) Lidcombe;
- (b) Auburn;
- (c) Newington;
- (d) Wentworth Point;
- (e) Rookwood;
- (f) Sydney Olympic Park;
- (g) Berala;
- (h) Regents Park;
- (i) Silverwater;
- (j) South Granville?
- (3) On how many occasions were the patients alive at the time of the call to 000 and deceased when the ambulance arrived at the scene in the following suburbs in the Auburn electorate from January 2012 to January 2015:
- (a) Lidcombe;
- (b) Auburn;
- (c) Newington;
- (d) Wentworth Point;
- (e) Rookwood;
- (f) Sydney Olympic Park;
- (g) Berala;
- (h) Regents Park;
- (i) Silverwater;

- (j) South Granville?
- (4) What was the longest, average and shortest ambulance response times from call-out to arrival for each year between January 2012 to January 2016 in the following suburbs in the Auburn electorate:
- Lidcombe;
 - Auburn;
 - Newington;
 - Wentworth Point;
 - Rookwood;
 - Sydney Olympic Park;
 - Berala;
 - Regents Park;
 - Silverwater;
 - South Granville?
- 2278 STATE TRANSIT BUS PATRONAGE—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- What are the average AM peak patronage figures for the following routes that serve the Auburn electorate for each of the financial years from 2011-12 to 2014-15:
 - Route 525;
 - Route 526;
 - Route X25?
 - What are the average PM peak patronage figures for the following routes that serve the Auburn electorate for each of the financial years from 2011-12 to 2014-15:
 - Route 525;
 - Route 526;
 - Route X25?
- 2279 STOLEN MOBILE PHONES—Mr Luke Foley to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
- How many mobile phones were reported stolen to NSW Police at the Flemington Local Area Command in each of the years from 2012 to 2015?
 - How many mobile phones were recovered by NSW Police at the Flemington Local Area Command in each of the years from 2012 to 2015?
 - How many incidents reported to NSW Police at the Flemington Local Area Command involved assault and the theft of a mobile phone or intimidation and the theft of a mobile phone in each of the years from 2012 to 2015?
- 2280 PUBLIC SECTOR JOBS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
- How many public sector jobs have been relocated from the Sydney CBD to metropolitan and regional areas between 1 August 2015 to 17 February 2016?
 - Which departments and agencies have been relocated from the Sydney CBD between 1 August 2015 to 17 February 2016?
 - What is the current location of each of these bodies?
 - How many jobs are attached to each of these bodies?
 - Does the Government have targets for relocating public sector jobs to specific metropolitan and regional areas?
 - If not, why not?
 - If so, what are the targets and the specific locations in metropolitan and regional areas?
 - Which departments and agencies have been relocated to the Illawarra region between 1 August 2015 to 17 February 2016?
 - How many public sector jobs have been relocated to the Illawarra region between 1 August 2015 to 17 February 2016?
 - With regards to the answer to LA Question 6332 which stated: 'second phase of work is underway to identify at least 1,500 public sector positions that could be relocated from Sydney to regional New South Wales', what is involved in this 'second phase of work'?
- 2281 COUNCIL AMALGAMATIONS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Local Government—

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- (1) Could the Minister provide a breakdown of the total numbers of individuals who have lodged submissions with the relevant delegates as part of the boundaries review process for the following local government areas:
 - (a) Wollongong City Council;
 - (b) Shellharbour City Council;
 - (c) Kiama Municipal Council;
 - (d) Shoalhaven City Council?
 - (2) Could the Minister provide a breakdown of the total numbers of organisations who have lodged submissions with the relevant delegates as part of the boundaries review process for the following local government areas:
 - (a) Wollongong City Council;
 - (b) Shellharbour City Council;
 - (c) Kiama Municipal Council;
 - (d) Shoalhaven City Council?
 - (3) How many individuals who have lodged submissions with the relevant delegates as part of the boundaries review process have indicated that they support the amalgamation of the following councils proposed by the Government on 18 December 2015:
 - (a) Wollongong and Shellharbour City Councils;
 - (b) Kiama and Shoalhaven Councils?
 - (4) How many individuals who have lodged submissions with the relevant delegates as part of the boundaries review process have indicated that they oppose the amalgamation of the following councils proposed by the Government on 18 December 2015:
 - (a) Wollongong and Shellharbour City Councils;
 - (b) Kiama and Shoalhaven Councils?
 - (5) How many organisations who have lodged submissions with the relevant delegates as part of the boundaries review process have indicated that they support the amalgamation of the following councils proposed by the Government on 18 December 2015:
 - (a) Wollongong and Shellharbour City Councils;
 - (b) Kiama and Shoalhaven Councils?
 - (6) How many organisations who have lodged submissions with the relevant delegates as part of the boundaries review process have indicated that they oppose the amalgamation of the following councils proposed by the Government on 18 December 2015:
 - (a) Wollongong and Shellharbour City Councils;
 - (b) Kiama and Shoalhaven Councils?
- 2282 INTERACTIVE LEARNING CENTRE—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) What is the total amount paid for the NSW Police Force to lease the Dapto TAFE Campus for the next three years?
 - (2) What is the cost of leasing premises in the Dapto CBD for the establishment of an interactive learning centre?
 - (a) Who is the individual or organisation that owns the premises?
 - (b) For how long will the lease of the premises run?
 - (3) What is the total cost of establishing the interactive learning centre in the Dapto CBD?
- 2283 COORDINATING AND MONITORING COMMITTEE—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Planning—
- (1) Has the Government established the Coordinating and Monitoring Committee mentioned on page 13 of the Illawarra-Shoalhaven Regional Plan published on 24 November 2015?
 - (a) What are the names of the individuals appointed to the Committee and which agencies and organisations do they represent?
 - (b) How many times will the Committee meet?
 - (c) Where will the Committee meet?
 - (d) Will agendas and other papers for the Committee's meetings be published and publicly available?
 - (i) If not, why not?
 - (2) On what date will the Annual Monitoring report mentioned on page 13 of the Plan be published?

(a) Will the report be publicly released?

2284 RENEWABLE ENERGY ECONOMY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—

The Australian Energy Regulator's State of the Energy Market 2015 report provides insight into the beginnings of a stagnant fossil fuel economy in the Hunter, NSW, and Australia in general.

- (1) With a view to ensuring no job losses or downturns in industry take place in the near future, particularly in the Wallsend electorate, has the Minister reviewed the wealth of literature available from industry analysts and economists on models for a transition to a renewable energy economy?
- (2) If so, has this information influenced any policy the Minister intends to introduce?

2285 WAIT TIME IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health—

Considering that the Bureau of Health Information's report Activity and Performance in New South Wales Public Hospitals, July to September 2015, showed that 42 percent of John Hunter Hospital and 30 percent of Calvary Mater Newcastle Hospital patients waited more than 4 hours in emergency departments, what is the Minister doing to reduce waiting times at the hospitals?

2286 PROCESSING AND DELIVERY OF DRIVER'S LICENCES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure representing the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What timeframe has the Government set for the processing and delivery of driver's licences, from a Service NSW site to a client's mailing address?
- (2) How many driver's licences are being processed and delivered in the given timeframe?