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*0499 NO SMOKING POLICY—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Does the Government intend to enforce the rule to stop people from smoking near hospital entrances or indeed on any of the grounds, car parks or in any vehicles on site, so that the health and comfort of constituents will be assured?
- (2) Has this policy failed to stop people lighting up at the John Hunter Hospital in Wallsend because it is not being enforced?
- (3) Will the Government assure patients, visitors and staff of major public hospitals that the No Smoking policy around those hospitals is succeeding?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) The NSW Health Smoke Free Workplace Policy prohibits smoking in all buildings, vehicles and property controlled by NSW Health. The purpose of the Policy is to reduce the number of patients, staff and visitors exposed to second-hand tobacco smoke when in contact with NSW Health's facilities.

It is understood that Local Health Districts have taken an educative approach to promoting compliance with the Policy including undertaking community awareness campaigns, developing brochures for patients and visitors and introducing prominent signage.

Local Health Districts have introduced processes for managing smokers who do not comply with the Policy.

John Hunter Hospital is a smoke-free zone and signage is prominently displayed across the Rankin Park Campus to remind all patients and visitors of this. The signage is particularly prominent in high-traffic areas such as outside the emergency department.

The NSW Government is committed to the NSW Health Smoke Free Workplace Policy. The Policy is currently under review. The revised Policy will draw on best practice among NSW Local Health Districts on successfully implementing smoke-free health facilities.

*0514 ASTHMA AND ALLERGENS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to reports that allergens such as pollen and mould spores are on the rise, causing an increase in asthma levels:

- (1) To what extent are the levels of asthma and allergic rhinitis in NSW currently increasing or decreasing in line with global trends?
- (2) What research has the Government conducted into the link between fluctuations in allergen levels and changes in levels of asthma and allergic rhinitis?
- (3) What measures has the Government considered to adapt to an increase in allergen, asthma and allergic rhinitis levels?
- (4) What measures has the Government considered to reduce the level of allergens?
- (5) What mechanisms does the Government currently have in place to monitor the levels of allergens in the atmosphere?
- (6) To what extent has the Government carried out research exploring the effects of increased pollution levels on allergen levels?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The prevalence of asthma and allergic rhinitis has decreased over recent years in NSW and Australia and this is consistent with the decreasing trend in asthma globally, while elsewhere in the world allergic rhinitis levels are generally stable.
- (2) NSW Health has conducted research exploring trends in asthma presentations to Emergency Departments and possible links to environmental risk factors for asthma such as sudden changes in temperature, high rainfall and humidity (caused by thunderstorms) and rye grass pollen.

NSW Health found strong seasonal relationship between sudden asthma epidemics and the rye grass pollen season of mid October to late November in regional inland NSW.

- (3) NSW Health has conducted research exploring links between environmental risk factors such as air quality, weather patterns, seasonal increases of allergens and health. From this evidence based research, NSW Health are able to issue appropriate health warnings targeted towards at risk populations when weather and seasonal conditions are favourable to the potential of increased asthma episodes.
- (4) This is not a matter for the Health portfolio and should be referred to the Office of Environment and Heritage.
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*0516 WOOLLOOMOOLOO HOUSING NSW COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

With regard to Housing NSW commercial properties in Woolloomooloo:

- (1) How many commercial properties does Housing NSW control in Woolloomooloo?
- (2) How many of these properties are not currently leased, and how long has each vacant property been empty?
- (3) What is the estimated rental income lost due to these vacancies and what costs have been incurred in ongoing maintenance and repair of malicious damage?
- (4) What action has the Government taken to prevent empty Woolloomooloo properties being vandalised and infested with rats and pigeons?
- (5) What consideration has the Government given to alternate uses for vacant commercial property, such as for housing or community use?
- (6) Will the Government consider using these properties for social housing, and could these properties be used for this purpose?
- (7) Will the Government provide access to these premises for community activities such as artist studios, or other projects to provide community benefit?
- (8) What long-term plans does the Government have for vacant commercial properties in Cowper Wharf Road Woolloomooloo?
- (9) What long-term plans does the Government have for long vacant commercial properties in Cathedral Street?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Commercial leasing is not a core function of Housing NSW and in accordance with a long standing plan it has over the years actively endeavoured to sell its interest in commercial premises as opportunities arise and to re-invest sale proceeds into various social housing programs. Housing NSW has vacant properties in Cathedral Street.

(3) Foregone rental would depend on market rates and the requirement to complete significant rectification works. Some repairs and maintenance have been undertaken on these properties.

(4) Regular day and night security patrols and external cleansing operations have minimised damage to the properties. Pest control measures have been put in place.

(5) to (7) The Cathedral Street properties are unsuitable for residential conversion. Many of the leased commercial premises already provide benefits to the local community.

(8) No decisions have been made to change the use of the existing commercial properties.

(9) Work has begun to sell the properties in Cathedral Street through an open market sale process.

*0517 UNAUTHORISED PARKING ON HOUSING NSW LAND—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

- (1) How does Housing NSW monitor unauthorised parking on its property, including in the inner city where there is high demand for parking spaces?
- (2) How many complaints has Housing NSW received from tenants about unauthorised parking on Housing NSW land in the inner city?
- (3) How does Housing NSW prevent unauthorised parking on Housing NSW land?
- (4) What action will the Government take to enforce parking and traffic arrangements on its property?
- (5) What action can tenants take if they are concerned about unauthorised vehicles parking on Housing NSW property?

Answer—

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- (1) Housing NSW employs site specific strategies tailored to the type of property and building to monitor unauthorised parking.
- (2) Housing NSW does not keep data in this way.
- (3) Housing NSW provides secure parking and displays signage to prevent unauthorised parking.
- (4) Housing NSW conducts audits of secure car parking whereby existing tenants must supply a current driver's license and current car registration documentation.
- (5) Tenants should report all concerns about unauthorised vehicles on Housing NSW property to their local office.

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- 0525 CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL—STAFFING LEVELS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0526 CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL—BED NUMBERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0527 CESSNOCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—NEW HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0528 KURRI KURRI DISTRICT HOSPITAL—STAFFING LEVELS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0529 KURRI KURRI DISTRICT HOSPITAL—BED NUMBERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- *0536 CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION UPGRADE—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Transport—
What are the Government's plans to upgrade the Canley Vale Railway Station, in particular, the lift and access facilities for the disabled?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Government has committed to an extra \$60 million over four years for Easy Access upgrades.

Currently the Department of Transport is reviewing the way stations are selected for an Easy Access upgrade in order to ensure the best possible outcome for public transport customers and the taxpayer.

After this review is completed, the location of Easy Access upgrades will be decided. The selection process has not been reviewed since 2006 and it is important to make sure spending is targeted for maximum benefit.

Not only are we putting in more money, we are making sure upgrades are done to benefit the maximum number of customers.

- *0539 IMPROVEMENT TO HEALTH SERVICES—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

What are the Minister's plans to improve health services in the Cabramatta electorate for children, adolescents and seniors?

Answer—

I am advised that:

The Cabramatta LGA is serviced by Fairfield Hospital and community service. Fairfield Hospital provides an Emergency Department, High Dependency/Coronary Care Unit, Medical, Surgical, Orthopaedics, Geriatric/Rehabilitation, Paediatrics, Maternity, Special Care Nursery, Delivery Suite, Ambulatory Care, Medical Assessment Unit, Operating Theatres/Recovery, Renal Dialysis Unit.

Examples of recent programs aimed at improving the health and well being of the local community include:

- Vietnamese Mother and Baby Class - Women's Health Physiotherapy input into the Vietnamese postnatal classes. First time mums in the Vietnamese postnatal group are now being taught how to enjoy postnatal exercise by doing it together with their baby.
- Chronic Care Program - People living in Fairfield and surrounding areas with chronic diseases have extra support in managing their diseases with the new Connecting Care program particularly in diabetes, chronic respiratory disease and cardiac services.

Community Health offers a variety of services to the constituents of the Cabramatta Electorate including, Community Nursing, Child and Family Clinical Services, Multicultural Health, Community Nutrition, Youth Health Services, Sexual Assault Services and Sexual Health Services.

Community Health has received funding for new programs which will improve health services for children, adolescents and seniors in this electorate. These include:

- Offering a 4-year old Check in conjunction with the Statewide Eyesight Preschool Screening (StEPS) program targeted Early Childhood Services (One-off funding to December 2011).
- Establishing a program, Strong Fathers Strong Families, to assist Aboriginal fathers with parenting skills.
- Implementing a transdisciplinary, multi-strategy project that aims to improve food access and physical activity options for young people, aged 15-24 years, at risk or experiencing homelessness in four LGAs of Sydney, including Cabramatta, of supported accommodation services to develop living skills with young people; provide, prepare and store nutritious food; and engage in physical activity options.

Within Mental Health there are a range of initiatives currently being implemented to improve mental health services in the Cabramatta electorate for seniors, adolescents and children:

- In relation to mothers and infants, a SAFE START initiative is being implemented to provide early intervention to pregnant women at risk of postnatal depression and a perinatal team is being developed for high risk women in the Cabramatta area.
- A research project is evaluating current early childhood screening practices and how they can be improved, particularly to facilitate earlier identification of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). There is the ongoing development in conjunction with the Kindergarten Union to provide the ASD clinic and development of other interventions for ASD, located at Liverpool but accessible to children from Cabramatta.
- The parenting coordinator will be increasing the parenting programs for Cabramatta across all Culturally and Linguistically Diverse groups.
- Three camps are being held each year at the Rivendell site at Concord, for children from the Service for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Torture and Trauma Survivors (STARTTS) and Indo-Chinese refugee children and adolescents.
- The Adolescent Mental Health Service at Carramar is providing inservice programs for school counsellors on relevant mental health issues, which also facilitates early referral for young people to mental health services. The Carramar service will be providing DBT (Dialectic Behaviour Therapy), Triple P parenting programs, and group programs for young people with anxiety.

The following Mental Health Promotion and Older Peoples Depression and Suicide Prevention initiatives are being implemented in the Cabramatta area:

- Provision of older persons suicide prevention training to health staff, Non-Government Organisations and community members.
- Facilitating provision to local community groups of the "beyondmaturityblues" Depression Education sessions run by COTA (Council on the Ageing).
- Ongoing support for the implementation of the national Mind Matters program and Health Promoting Schools Programs within high schools.
- Ongoing roll out of the Mental Health First Aid training program. Two courses are planned for the Liverpool Volunteers Resource Centre in 2011 and these will be open to Cabramatta residents as well.
- A Mental Health Promotion, Prevention and Early Intervention training program is being conducted for community members and targeted organizations who are part of the Liverpool/Cabramatta Mental Health Network.

Within Aged Care and Rehabilitation, the South Western Sydney Local Health Network is responsible for operating a number of service improvements which will positively impact on seniors in the Cabramatta electorate including:

- The enhancement to Home Based Therapy Services for residents of the Fairfield and Liverpool

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LGAs using Council Of Australian Governments (COAG) funding for 2011-2013.

- NSW Health funding for additional Liverpool/Fairfield Aged Care Assessment Team (ACAT) staff members to assist with the demand for inpatient ACAT assessments.
- The South Western Zone Transitional Aged Care Service has been approved to operate an additional 14 Commonwealth-funded places from 5 September 2011. This service will be available to residents in the Fairfield and Liverpool LGAs and aims to help older people regain their independence after a stay in hospital.

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- 0543 MEALS ON WHEELS—TRANSFER OF OVERSIGHT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0544 MEALS ON WHEELS—BELMONT AND MORISSET BRANCHES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0546 DEFENDED CRIMINAL MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0547 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0548 JUDGE-ALONE TRIALS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0549 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0550 CORRECTIVE SERVICES COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0551 CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0552 RESPITE CARE—EXTRA HOURS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0553 HOSPITAL SECURITY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0554 ORGAN DONATION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0555 NEPEAN HOSPITAL CAR PARK—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0556 WESTMEAD MORGUE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0557 HOSPITAL INFECTION RATE REPORTING—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- *0560 ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN ON POLICE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Does the Government have any plans to continue to look at ways to reduce the administrative burden on police, particularly in relation to the charging process?

Answer—

I have set up a high level working group to investigate red tape reduction measures to ease the administrative burden on officers and return police to the front line. These measures will benefit police across the State.

*0561 NEW POLICE STATION—NORTHERN ILLAWARRA AREA—Mr Ryan Park asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Are there any plans to construct a new police station in the Northern Illawarra area?
- (2) If so, what sites have been identified that may be suitable for this station?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) No.
- (2) N/A.

0562 MEALS ON WHEELS FUNDING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

0563 FUNDING FOR FILM ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

0565 GARRAWARRA HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0566 GENERAL ASSISTANTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

0567 ILLAWARRA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

*0572 WOMEN'S SPORTS—Mr Chris Patterson asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

- (1) What is being done to raise the profile of women's sports in NSW?
- (2) What programs are available for women's sports groups?

Answer—

- (1) The NSW Government is raising the profile of women's sports in NSW in a number of ways including:

- \$27million has been committed to the development of the Netball Centre of Excellence at Sydney Olympic Park.
- NSW to host the 2015 World Cup Netball Championships at Sydney Olympic Park.
- Funding provided for the staging of significant women's sports events through the International Sporting Events Program. In 2010-11 the following was provided:
 - \$20,000 Beachley Classic (Women's World Tour Surfing Event)
 - \$20,000 Golf NSW - Bing Lee NSW Women's Open
 - \$15,000 Tennis NSW - Women's Pro Circuit International
- \$25,000 has been provided to Womensport and Recreation NSW to deliver leadership programs and the Schoolgirls' Sports Breakfast that involves over 700 students annually.
- In 2010-11 over \$115,000 was allocated to community groups to deliver participation programs targeting women and girls under the Sport and Recreation Participation Grant Program.

- (2) A variety of participation, education, development and funding programs are available for women's sports group such as:

- Sport and Recreation Participation Grant Program.
- Sport and Athlete Development Program.
- NSW Annual Koori Netball Tournament.
- Multicultural Women's Sport Leadership Program.
- WimSwim Learn to Swim Program for women and girls predominantly from Arabic backgrounds.
- Girls Football Festival engaging young women in non-traditional sporting activities.
- A range of sports programs are coordinated annually to celebrate International Women's Day.

*0573 LONDON OLYMPICS TEAM—Mr Chris Patterson asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

What support is the NSW Government giving to our 2012 London Olympics team in order for them to achieve success?

Answer—

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A contribution of \$500,000 has been made by the NSW Government towards the 2012 London Olympics Team Appeal.

The NSW Institute of Sport (NSWIS), which receives annual funding of \$10.8 million from the NSW Government, offers a range of support to Olympic athletes holding NSWIS scholarships including access to top quality coaching, sports science and other services required for elite level participation.

*0575 CARBON TAX—IMPACT ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT—Mr Andrew Rohan asked the Minister for Transport—

What will be the impact of the Federal Government's carbon tax on public transport users in the Smithfield electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

Public transport users in the Smithfield electorate will experience the same impacts as other NSW public transport users.

Buses (over 4.5 tonnes) will not experience any increase in the price of fuel as a result of the carbon tax at the commencement of the scheme. However, the Australian Government intends to introduce a carbon price on this sector from 1 July 2014. This will add around \$10 million per year to the cost of providing bus services in NSW.

Currently, ferries do not pay any excise on the fuel they use. Under the carbon tax it is expected that the cost of fuel for these modes would initially increase by 6.21 cents per litre, increasing operating costs by \$900,000 per year from 1 July 2012.

Rail will be subject to increased electricity and fuel costs. The carbon tax is estimated to add 20 per cent to RailCorp's electricity costs and 6.21 cents per litre to its fuel costs. This is expected to add \$16 million per year to RailCorp's operating costs from 1 July 2012.

If the full cost impact of the carbon tax is passed on to passengers, fares could increase by up to 3.6 per cent.

Sections of the transport industry are seeking carbon tax exemptions on heavy vehicles (road) to be extended to the rail, aviation and maritime sectors.

The NSW Government believes that to impose a carbon tax on public transport operators is contrary to its aim of encouraging public transport use.

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0577 HYDRO-ELECTRIC GENERATION—Mr Kevin Conolly to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

0578 PLANNING FOR FLOOD EMERGENCIES—Mr Kevin Conolly to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0582 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0583 CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL, NEWCASTLE—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0584 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0585 GRAFFITI OFFENCES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0586 MONA VALE HOSPITAL MATERNITY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- 0587 FTE NURSE POSITIONS—NEPEAN HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0588 BED OCCUPANCY RATES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0590 BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0591 AFFORDABLE HOUSING—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0592 FOOTPATH AND ROAD TRENCHES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0593 ELECTRICITY PILLARS AND KIOSKS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0594 NANOTECHNOLOGY ACTION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- 0595 PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFORMATION AND PRIORITY SYSTEM—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0596 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—Mr Mark Speakman to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0597 POLICE BUILDINGS—HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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(Paper No. 32)

- *0598 EASY ACCESS FACILITIES—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Is there a priority list for the construction of Easy Access facilities for railway stations in New South Wales?
 - (2) If so, where does the Rooty Hill Railway Station stand on this list?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- (1) and (2) The NSW Government has committed to an extra \$60 million over four years for Easy Access upgrades.
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After this review is completed, the location of Easy Access upgrades will be decided. The selection process has not been reviewed since 2006 and it is important to make sure spending is targeted for maximum benefit.
Not only are we putting in more money, we are making sure upgrades are done to benefit the maximum number of customers.
- 0599 VIOLENCE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON BUSES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0601 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- *0603 PANANIA STATION—INSTALLATION OF LIFTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—
- What is the current status of plans to install lifts at Panania Station?

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Answer—

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- 0604 STACEY STREET TRAFFIC FLOW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0605 RECREATION, SPORTS AND AQUATICS CLUB—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0606 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0607 OFFICERS WORKING IN SPECIALIST CRIME SQUADS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- *0608 AUDIT OF BANKSTOWN CITY COUNCIL—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

In reference to the Government's commitment to "commence a council-by-council audit of the local infrastructure backlog", when will the audit of Bankstown City Council commence?

Answer—

I provide the following details in response to your question:

- (1) The local government infrastructure audit is being undertaken in stages, based on councils' implementation of the Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) framework.
 - (2) Bankstown City Council is a Group 2 council for the purposes of implementing the IP&R framework.
 - (3) Councils are due to submit their annual reports for 2011/12 by November 2012. Accordingly, the Division of Local Government has advised that it expects to complete Group 2 councils' infrastructure audits by March 2013.
- 0611 INSULATION FOR SOCIAL HOUSING TENANTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0612 HOUSING NSW WATER EFFICIENCY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0613 GENERAL ASSISTANT TRAINING FUND—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0614 VACANT GENERAL ASSISTANT POSITIONS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0615 SCHOOL FACILITIES STANDARDS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0616 AGE DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0617 DISTRICT COURT MATTERS—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- 0622 KURRI MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0623 KURRI RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
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- 0625 CESSNOCK GUN CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
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- 0627 CESSNOCK MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0628 EDGEWORTH JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0629 HUNTER REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0630 SUPPORT FOR EVENTS AND TOURISM—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0632 ADDITIONAL TEACHERS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0633 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL PATIENTS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0634 CABRAMATTA FIRE STATION—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0635 RELEASE OF BODY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0636 SPECIAL NEEDS CLASSES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0637 FUNDING FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0639 EDUCATIONAL PACKAGES ON FIREARMS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0640 SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0641 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0642 ASBESTOS REMOVAL—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0645 FUNDING FOR FUTURE UPGRADES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0646 CENTENARY ROAD AND KENYONS ROAD INTERSECTION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0647 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0648 CONCERTS FOR SENIORS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0651 ORPHAN SCHOOL CREEK—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

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- 0652 ADMISSION AND REJECTION RATE FIGURES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0653 JOHN NESS PROTESTANT FEDERATION GIRLS HOME—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0654 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0655 PART 3A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- *0656 BAYS PRECINCT TASKFORCE—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

Will the Minister provide the following details regarding the Bays Precinct Taskforce:

- (a) membership;
- (b) terms of reference;
- (c) if the taskforce has met;
- (d) if it has not met, when will it be meeting?

Answer—

- (a) to (d) The taskforce includes representatives from Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority, NSW Treasury, Department of Planning and Infrastructure, Transport for NSW, NSW Roads and Maritime Services, Sydney Ports Corporation, Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services, Department of Premier and Cabinet, City of Sydney Council, Leichhardt Council and a community representative.

Revised terms of reference will be subject to review and endorsement by the taskforce at a meeting to be organised in the near future.

- 0657 BARANGAROO—"SHORT-SHARP" REVIEW—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- *0658 AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASKFORCE—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

- (1) Has the Affordable Housing Taskforce that the Minister announced on 20 May 2011 been established?
- (2) If so, who are the members?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The Taskforce is chaired by Andrew McNulty of MA Housing. Other members are representatives from the following organisations:
 - Shelter NSW (Mary Perkins).
 - City West Housing Community Housing Provider (Derek Bebbington).
 - The University of Western Sydney (Peter Phibbs).
 - Local Government and Shires Associations (Shaun McBride).
 - Planning Institute of Australia (Tony McNamara).
 - Property Council of Australia (Kristin Pryce).
 - Housing NSW (Helen O'Loughlin).
 - NSW Treasury (Ziggi Lejins).
 - Department of Planning and Infrastructure (Yolande Stone/David Birds).

- 0659 NEW HOMES INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0660 INFRASTRUCTURE NSW AND HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0661 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

0662 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—ACQUISITION POWERS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

*0663 MARSDEN PARK AND CATHERINE FIELD HOUSING BLOCKS—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

What percentage of the proposed 13,000 new housing blocks in Marsden Park and Catherine Field will be set aside for "affordable housing" i.e. public, social or low-cost housing?

Answer—

Detailed precinct planning will ensure a range of housing types can be delivered in the Marsden Park and Catherine Fields (part) Precincts that responds to the Precincts' physical characteristics, demographic information and demand. There are no set percentages of different housing types required.

*0664 MARSDEN PARK AND CATHERINE FIELD HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

When will local councils complete the precinct planning to enable the housing developments in Marsden Park and Catherine Field to commence?

Answer—

The Marsden Park and Catherine Field precincts were released on 5 August 2011 under the Precinct Acceleration Protocol adopted by the former Government. Precinct Planning has now commenced.

Precinct Planning is led by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, in partnership with local councils. The process involves extensive technical studies and masterplanning and infrastructure planning.

It is expected that Precinct Planning will be complete within 2 years. Landowners and developers will then be able to lodge development applications with the local councils to obtain relevant approvals to commence works.

0665 PUBLIC SERVICE JOB CUTS IN RESEARCH FACILITIES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

0666 ORICA TOXIC LEAK—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

0667 FUNDING CUTS TO CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND THE VICTIMS COMPENSATION SCHEME—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0668 FUNDING CUTS TO HUNTER HOSPITALS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*0669 PLACES OF WORSHIP—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

What statewide guidelines are established to have consistent development applications for building places of worship?

Answer—

There are no statewide development application (DA) guidelines specifically for places of public worship.

*0670 LEGAL COSTS—ORDER FOR SURCHARGE AGAINST COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

Can the decision taken on 25 July 2011 by councillors at Liverpool Council to defer pursuing legal costs against a party ordered by a court to pay such costs to council, result in an order for surcharge against those councillors?

Answer—

I provide the following details in response to your question:

- (1) A surcharge under the Local Government Act 1993 may only occur if a departmental representative has found expenditure has been incurred in contravention of the law or negligently or as a consequence of misconduct.

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(2) The Act sets out the procedure for surcharging that must be followed.

*0671 PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

Was it intended by the Government that Liverpool Council, by decision of council on 25 July 2011, be permitted to pay councillors who are selected by council to represent the council on a Joint Regional Planning Panel, a fee of \$600 per meeting?

Answer—

Issues concerning Joint Regional Planning Panels fall within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, the Hon Brad Hazzard MP.

0672 PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

0673 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0674 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0675 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL CHAMBERS FIRE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0676 SEXUAL ASSAULT MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0677 DUST DISEASES TRIBUNAL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0678 MOST CONGESTED INTERSECTIONS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

0679 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

0680 ADDITIONAL SCHOOL FENCING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

0681 ILLAWARRA REGIONAL INFORMATION SERVICE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

0682 OPERATION VISION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0683 EYE WATCH TRIAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0684 SPEECH THERAPISTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0685 KOKODA ABORIGINAL SERVICEMEN'S COMMITTEE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—

0686 SOUTH COAST LINE—CRIMINAL OFFENCES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—

0687 RAIL TICKET SALES—GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—

0688 RAIL TICKET SALES—AUBURN ELECTORATE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—

0689 AMY STREET OVERBRIDGE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—

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- 0690 APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE GUARDIANSHIP ACT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0691 GRAND WESTERN LODGE, MILLTHORPE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0692 FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0693 BUS SERVICE TO WOODCROFT PLAZA—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0694 DOONSIDE RAILWAY STATION—EASY ACCESS UPGRADE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0695 BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL—EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SECURITY—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0696 UPGRADE TO BLACKTOWN AND MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITALS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0697 FINES ISSUED—Mr John Robertson to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0698 INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0699 SOCIAL HOUSING—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0700 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING STOCK—FAIRFIELD AREA—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0701 RESTORATION OF THE LINNWOOD ESTATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0702 PRIVATISATION OF SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0703 REMOVAL OF INTRODUCED NOXIOUS TREES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0704 CLANDESTINE DRUG LABORATORIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0705 CLANDESTINE DRUG LABORATORIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0706 FIREARM OFFENCES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 0707 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SECURITY FENCING PROGRAM—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0708 STAFF NUMBERS AT PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL CAMPUS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0709 MAROUBRA BEACH AMBULANCE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0710 HOUSING NSW—STAFF NUMBERS AT MAROUBRA OFFICE—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0711 MATRAVILLE FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0712 MAROUBRA FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0713 BOTANY FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0714 MALABAR HEADLAND—LOTS 102 AND 104—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0715 AUSGRID WORKS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0716 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Treasurer—
- 0717 RECREATIONAL HUNTING IN STATE FORESTS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0718 ASSESSMENT FOR MAINTENANCE DEFECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0719 AUTONOMY IN SPENDING ON ASSETS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- *0720 SOIL TESTING FOR LEAD CONTAMINATION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- Will Hunter Water be conducting soil testing for lead contamination around the Chichester pipeline in the residential area of Shortland, for the safety of the community and workers.
- Answer—
- The question should be directed to the Minister responsible for Hunter Water, the Minister for Finance and Services, the Honourable Greg Pearce MLC.
- 0721 MEETINGS WITH PHILLIP BRADLEY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0722 SPECIALIST SEXUAL ASSAULT COURTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0723 ALCOHOL IODINE SOLUTION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0724 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0725 MACARTHUR HEALTH SERVICE—EXPANSION OF SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0726 HOSPITAL PARKING FEES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0727 SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0728 ADULTS ACCOMMODATED IN CHILDREN'S WARDS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0729 AUSGRID UPGRADE—OXFORD STREET—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0730 SCHOOL TRANSPORT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0731 SYDNEY FISH MARKET REDEVELOPMENT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0732 TOURIST-GENERATING INITIATIVES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0733 INVESTIGATIONS BY MARK STANDEN—Mr Nathan Rees to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0734 CRIME COMMISSION STAFF—Mr Nathan Rees to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0735 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION STAFF—Mr Nathan Rees to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0736 SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES—CHERTSEY PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0737 SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES—CENTRAL COAST—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0738 SCHOOLS MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 0739 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—REVIEW OF OPERATIONS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0740 SPECIALIST NUMERACY AND LITERACY TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0741 NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0742 NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0743 EDGEWORTH HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL—BOUNDARY FENCE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0744 EDGEWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—MINMI ROAD OFF-STREET BUS STOP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0745 MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL—FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0746 FLASHING LIGHTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0747 SECURITY FENCING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0748 HUNTER EXPRESSWAY—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport—

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- 0749 ADVANCES IN TREATMENT OF CANCER PATIENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0750 CESSNOCK HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT UPGRADE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0751 CESSNOCK AND KURRI KURRI HOSPITALS—ELECTRIC BEDS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0752 FINES ISSUED—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0753 USE OF "COMMERCIAL IN CONFIDENCE"—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0754 SUBSIDISATION OF NAVITAS PTY LTD—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0755 EXPLORATION LICENCE—DART ENERGY—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0756 GATE ACCESS FEES—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0757 MAINTENANCE WORKS—DOBELL BUILDING—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0758 COMPREHENSIVE CANCER AND BLOOD DISORDER CENTRE—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0759 INQUIRY INTO CRIME COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0760 INTERN POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0761 TRAINEE ENROLLED NURSE (TEN) PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0762 ADDITIONAL NURSING POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0763 PREVENTATIVE HEALTH FIGHTING FUND—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0764 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0765 NSW HEALTH RESTRUCTURE—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0766 WIDENING OF TONGARRA CREEK BRIDGE—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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- 0767 CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL SECURITY OFFICERS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0768 KELLYVILLE RIDGE AND THE PONDS—BUS SERVICES—Mr Kevin Conolly to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0769 RECOMMENDATIONS IN RELATION TO MARK STANDEN—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0770 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—

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- 0771 LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICTS—CLINICAL AND NON-CLINICAL STAFF—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0772 BANKSTOWN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0773 BANKSTOWN WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0774 BANKSTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0775 BANKSTOWN SOUTH INFANTS SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0776 BANKSIA ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0777 BASS HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0778 GEORGES HALL PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0779 GREENACRE PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0780 MOUNT LEWIS INFANTS SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0781 WATTAWA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0782 YAGOONA PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0783 ASSESSMENTS OF SCHOOL MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0784 SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH AUTISM—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0785 SPECIALIST OUTREACH TEACHERS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0786 INTEGRATION FUNDING SUPPORT PROGRAM—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 0787 MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0788 EXPLORATORY LICENCE FOR DART ENERGY—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0789 SYDNEY WATER STAFF—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0790 SOUTHERN CLINICAL SUPPORT DIVISION STAFF—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0791 LONG BAY GAOL STAFF—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- 0792 SOUTHERN CLINICAL SUPPORT DIVISION—STAFF DEVOLVED—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0793 MOST ACCIDENT-PRONE INTERSECTIONS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0794 SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL NETWORK—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0795 RECURRENT FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY CENTRES—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0796 EASTERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND—PROBATIONARY CONSTABLES—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0797 PUBLIC AND HIGH SCHOOL FTE STAFF—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0798 REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF NSW KIDS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0799 SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0800 SOUTHERN CLINICAL SUPPORT DIVISION SERVICES—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0801 CHICHESTER PIPELINE—LEAD POISONING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0802 LONGWORTH AVENUE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0803 TRAIN SECURITY ON HUNTER LINE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0804 HUNTER WATER—PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0805 ROLL OUT OF JUSTICE LINK—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0806 SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0807 COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0808 COMMUNITY OFFENDER SUPPORT PROGRAM CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0809 CASUAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0810 COURT REFERRAL OF ELIGIBLE DEFENDANTS INTO TREATMENT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0811 YOUTH CONDUCT ORDER PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0812 INCIDENTS OF SELF HARM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0813 COBHAM JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRE—CUSTODIAL ACCOMMODATION UNITS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0814 BAIL ASSISTANCE LINE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- 0815 YOUTH JUSTICE CONFERENCING PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0816 INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0817 OAK FLATS POLICE STATION PARKING—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0818 ROAD TRANSPORT AUTHORITY—MAXIMUM WIDTH REQUIREMENTS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0819 DEVELOPMENT AT KAMIRA COURT, VILLAWOOD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0820 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING REFORMS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0821 RECRUITS FROM NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUNDS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0822 CHANGES TO PROVISION OF TRANSIT OFFICERS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0823 MERRYLANDS FIRE STATION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0824 FUNDING FOR SPEED MITIGATION DEVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0825 PROVISION TO MONITOR TRAFFIC ON LOCAL ROADS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 0826 EXTENSION OF MOUNT DRUITT RAILWAY STATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0827 BUS ROUTE 413—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0828 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FUNERALS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0829 PUBLIC HOUSING—CANTERBURY ELECTORATE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0830 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
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- 0833 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—

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- 0866 GREENWAY PROJECT—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Transport—
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- 0870 VETERINARY OFFICER NUMBERS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) How many veterinary officers are employed by the Department of Primary Industries?
 - (2) At what offices of the department are these veterinary officers located?
 - (3) Will there be any reduction in these officer numbers as a result of the 2011-12 Budget?
- 0871 PRESCHOOL FEE RELIEF FOR ABORIGINAL FAMILIES—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- What will the fee relief provided to Aboriginal families be now that the Government will be charging fees in Department of Education and Training preschools?
- 0872 TEACHER SALARY CUTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- Now that teachers wages have been capped at 2.5% when the inflation rate is 3.6%, what incentives is the Government providing to attract and retain quality persons to the teaching profession?
- 0873 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With reference to the 2011-12 Budget:
- (1) When will bed numbers at the John Hunter Hospital be increased?
 - (2) How many additional beds will be provided?
 - (3) How many additional clinical staff will be employed to accommodate the extra beds?
- 0874 LOSS OF SOLAR INDUSTRY JOBS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) What is the Government doing to assist the solar industry and the 3,700 people who have lost solar industry jobs in NSW since the Government scrapped all solar support earlier this year?
 - (2) How will the Government's lack of support for the solar industry contribute to awareness of climate

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- change or create a buffer for increased power prices?
- (3) Is the Government aware that the number of solar installers in NSW has decreased from 5,500 to a mere 1,800?
- 0875 SCIENCE FACILITY POSITIONS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Can the Premier confirm that more than one-third of positions at a research facility in the Department of Primary Industries will be slashed by the Government?
- (2) Did the Premier realise that notification of the slashing of these jobs was made during Science Week?
- (3) Does the Premier acknowledge that the targeted unit is the only science unit undertaking research into the ecological sustainability of forests and agriculture?
- 0876 ENHANCEMENT FOR PARKES HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regard to the proposed \$42 million enhancement for Parkes Hospital:
- (1) How much planning money will be allocated in the 2011-12 financial year?
- (2) What facilities will eventually be constructed?
- (3) What will be the estimated final cost of the project?
- (4) How will the project be funded?
- (5) When will building work commence?
- (6) When will works finish?
- 0877 ISOLATED PARENT TRANSPORT AND ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE SCHEME—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regard to the Isolated Parent Transport and Accommodation Assistance Scheme (IPTAAS) budget, and your commitment to boost the scheme by 50% (press release 13 March 2011):
- (1) What was the actual IPTAAS budget expenditure for 2009-10 and 2010-11?
- (2) Given the recent budget enhancements, what is the planned budget for 2011-12?
- (3) What changes can an individual patient expect from these changes?
- 0878 RADIOTHERAPY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- In regard to linear accelerators in NSW and your previous statement that "improved access to radiotherapy services will lead to improved survival rates" (press release 3 June 2010):
- (1) What new radiotherapy service enhancements are commencing treatment over the 2011-12 financial year?
- (2) What new radiotherapy services are planning to begin treating patients over the 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 financial years?
- 0879 FIGTREE HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) When will Figtree High School students and staff see the commencement of the new library?
- (2) What were the reasons given as to why this project was not included in this year's Budget?
- 0880 CORRIMAL DAY CARE PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- Will the Minister commit to funding the successful Corrimal Day Care program operated by Italian Social Welfare Organisation?
- 0881 DISABILITY SERVICES IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) Can the Minister provide an outline as to what disability services the department funds in the Illawarra?
- (2) Are there plans to increase the number of speech pathologists to support young people with a disability?
- 0882 RESOURCES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

- (1) Given the role mining plays in the Illawarra, will the region be included in the \$160 million Resources for Regions program?
(2) When will this program commence allocating funds?
- 0883 TRAINING OPTIONS FOR RETRENCHED WORKERS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
What specific training options is the Minister providing for retrenched workers in the Illawarra?
- 0884 ILLAWARRA ADVANTAGE FUND—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
What justification was given to remove the Illawarra Advantage Fund from this year's Budget?
- 0885 ECOLOGICAL DEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
(1) How much funding has the Government allocated to the Ecological Deer Management program for this financial year?
(2) Will the Government make a commitment to increase this funding by \$50,000 per annum to enable the project to be fully implemented?
- 0886 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE FACILITY AT BULLI HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
(1) Why has the Minister and NSW Health decided not to allocate funding to the Primary Health Care Facility at Bulli Hospital?
(2) When will the Minister honour her commitment to a functioning health facility at Bulli?
- 0887 SYDNEY WATER AND HUNTER WATER CORPORATION—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
What are the comparative figures for Sydney Water and the Hunter Water Corporation for sewer fees, water fees and pensioner rebates?
- 0888 HUNTER WATER CORPORATION—PENSIONER DISCOUNT—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
Does the Hunter Water Corporation provide a pensioner discount to residents of retirement villages without individual meters?