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\*12197PRESSURE SEWERAGE SYSTEMS—Mr Stuart Ayres asked the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

- (1) (a) Will NSW Water bear the electricity cost for Western Sydney residents, for example in Appin, of running the grinder pump required by the pressure sewerage system?  
(b) If not, will the property owner bear the cost?
- (2) What considerations determined the installation of pressure sewerage systems in some properties, for example at Appin, rather than the more common gravity fed sewerage systems?  
(a) Was any consultation with property owners undertaken?  
(b) Was the shorter working life of pressure sewerage systems taken into account?
- (3) Has any agreement been made between NSW Water and developers of new housing estates regarding sewerage systems?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) I note the Member's reference to "NSW Water" in his question.

Since it is not clear to which agency he refers it is difficult to provide the information he seeks.

\*12198DVPASS PROGRAMS—Mr Stuart Ayres asked the Minister for Tourism, Minister for the Hunter, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister for Women—

- (1) What criteria determined the funding of the five DVPASS programs in Sutherland, the Inner West, Wollongong, Redfern, and Canterbury?
- (2) What criteria determined the expansion of DVPASS programs to Coffs Harbour, Rockdale/Kogarah, the Eastern Suburbs, Parramatta and Armidale?
- (3) Was any consultation undertaken with police, community health care, local government, indigenous communities, or other potential stakeholders?
- (4) What criteria excluded the Penrith DVPASS program, the Bridges Project, from future funding?
- (5) How many DVPASS programs throughout the State will, like Penrith's DVPASS program, not receive ongoing funding?

Answer—

As part of the NSW Government's \$50 million, five-year Domestic and Family Violence Action Plan, the NSW Government has allocated \$3.7 million in funding to support and expand Domestic Violence Proactive Support Services, or DVPASS as they are known, to a total of 10 locations across NSW.

I am advised the Action Plan was prepared with reference to information received from consultation forums held across NSW with over 300 individuals representing key Government and non-Government stakeholders. 68 written submissions were also received. The NSW Police Force and other key Government agencies were also consulted on initiatives in the Action Plan.

The decision in relation to funding DVPASS projects under the Action Plan was based on a number of factors, including local domestic violence statistics, availability of other services in the area and the ability of the projects to reach women at greater risk of violence, such as Aboriginal women, culturally and linguistically diverse women and women in rural areas.

\*12201VISITS BY ATTORNEY GENERAL—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many times has a NSW Attorney General visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?
- (2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer to the publicly available information - such as the NSW Parliament and Lawlink websites - which contains information and media statements regarding visits conducted across NSW.

\*12203VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Minister for Education and Training—

- (1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Education visited the Port Stephens electorate since April

2007 in an official capacity?

(2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Since my appointment as Minister for Education and Training in September 2008, I have shown a strong commitment to quality education and made regular visits to schools, TAFEs and other learning institutions across the state.

\*12204 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

(1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Emergency Services visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?

(2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

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A total of \$17.76 million has been allocated in the Rural Fire Fighting Fund for the Port Stephens and Great Lakes Councils between 2007/08 and 2009/10 for bush fire prevention and management.

\*12205 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

(1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Environment visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?

(2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

(1) and (2) I have visited the Port Stephens electorate many times in my capacity as Minister in previous portfolios.

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\*12206 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Health visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?
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\*12207 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Housing visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?
- (2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

Minister Terenzini, in his capacity as the Minister for Housing since May 2010 has not had any official visits to the electorate of Port Stephens. Many reforms and programs that have been released as part of state wide approaches from Housing NSW have been beneficial to this electorate.

In September this year, the Minister announced the NSW Regional Homelessness Action Plan for the Hunter. This plan identified \$9.3 million dollars worth of initiatives for the Hunter, which includes the electorate of Port Stephens. This is a tailored response to homelessness in the region.

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\*12208 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—

- (1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Planning visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?
- (2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

As Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for Lands, I have visited many electorates across the State and met with various local MPs, local councils, government and non-government agencies, community groups and individuals, to discuss a range of issues.

\*12209 "L" AND "P" PLATE DRIVERS—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Given your advice the Government will not advise parents or guardians of "L" and "P" plate drivers (under 18 years of age) of any speeding or other traffic offences committed by teenage drivers (Question 11180):

Is the Government aware parents and guardians would expect to be advised of any police or RTA action taken against minors in their care?

Answer—

I am advised:

The RTA has received few, if any, comments from parents or guardians requesting that they be notified of a driving offence. Furthermore, the RTA does not hold information regarding a parent or guardian relationship as this is not a requirement to obtain a learner or provisional licence.

\*12211 STRICKLAND HOUSE ESTATE—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—

In relation to Strickland House Estate and given your advice discussions with Woollahra Council representatives on 22 April and 20 May 2010 centred on the heritage conservation and public access objectives of any future use proposals, and the updating of the site's 2003 Conservation Management Plan (Question 11265):

What are the nature of the public access objectives discussed in those meetings?

Answer—

The State Property Authority, in keeping with its commitment to maintain long term public access to the foreshore, and to Strickland House heritage buildings and grounds, discussed improvements to the condition of the buildings and grounds, community concerns, requirements and future consultation with residents in the planning process, and sustainable funding and management arrangements.

\*12215 FAMILY AND CARER MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM—Mr Victor Dominello asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

In relation to the Family and Carer Mental Health Program:

- (1) How many people accessed these services during: a) 2007, b) 2008, c) 2009 and d) 2010 to date?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed to deliver the program during: a) 2007, b) 2008, c) 2009 and d) 2010 to date?
- (3) How much funding did ARAFMI (North Ryde) receive from the Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Services during: a) 2007, b) 2008, c) 2009 and d) 2010 to date?
- (4) On what date does NSCCAHS funding for the service cease?
- (5) Have all clients been given written notification of the closure of the service?
- (6) If so, on what date was the notification sent?
- (7) On what date does Uniting Care take responsibility for delivering the service?
- (8) How many people attended Macquarie Hospital Peer Support Group meetings during: a) 2007, b) 2008, c) 2009 and d) 2010 to date?
- (9) Will these meetings continue at Macquarie Hospital once Uniting Care takes over responsibility for delivering the services?

Answer—

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I am advised:

(1) There is no data available on the number of people who accessed these services for 2007 and 2008. In 2009, there were 22,984 contacts with carers through the Family and Carer Mental Health Program NGO service providers state-wide. From January to June 2010, there have been 15,975 contacts with carers through the Family and Carer Mental Health Program. There is currently no data available from July 2010.

(2) The following table provides the number of FTEs funded for the Family and Carer Mental Health Program for the years 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 to date:

Year	Area Health Service Positions	NGO Positions
2007	18	48
2008	18	48
2009	18	48
2010	18	48

(3) to (9) ARAFMI (North Ryde) did not receive any direct funding from Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service in the period 2007-2010. ARAFMI NSW head office received funding from Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service for the years 2006-07 and 2007-08. Responsibility for this payment was transferred to the NSW Department of Health from 2008-09 as shown in the table below.

2006-07 (NSCC AHS)	2007-08 (NSCC AHS)	2008-09 (NSW Health)	2009-10 (NSW Health)	2010-11 (NSW Health)
\$120,300	\$124,300	\$320,400	\$313,400	\$321,200

ARAFMI NSW's funding for the Family and Carer Mental Health Program was paid directly from NSW Health. This funding was to provide services to families and carers of people with a mental illness in the Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service. The funding was as follows:

2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
\$240,000	\$615,000	\$615,000	\$620,800	\$153,750

While funding paid to ARAFMI NSW to deliver Family and Carer Mental Health Program Funding ceased on 30 September 2010, the Program will continue to be delivered through Uniting Care Mental Health who took responsibility for delivering this service in the Northern Sydney Central Coast Area from 1 October 2010.

Uniting Care Mental Health provided a letter of introduction, consent for the transfer of information form and reply paid envelopes to ARAFMI NSW on 20 September 2010, for inclusion in the letters to be mailed out to ARAFMI clients.

Monthly peer support groups are held at Macquarie Hospital by a Non Government Organisation. Data on attendees is not held by NSW Health.

The decision as to whether or not any particular support groups continue at Macquarie Hospital or elsewhere within Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service will be an operational decision made through negotiations between ARAFMI NSW, Uniting Care Mental Health and Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service.

\*12216UNPAID MEDICAL FEES—Mr Victor Dominello asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

In relation to the Parliamentary Secretary for Health's response (Ref: eA1599745 M105422) to my letter of 11 August 2010 regarding the cost of unpaid medical fees from international visitors at Ryde Hospital:

- (1) In reference to the NSCCAHS estimate that \$52,000 had been lost during the period January-September 2010, what steps are being taken to recoup the outstanding fees?
- (2) How much was lost in unpaid medical fees incurred by non-Australian residents during: a) financial year ending 2006, b) financial year ending 2007, c) financial year ending 2008 and d) financial year ending 2010?
- (3) Of all the incidents of unpaid medical fees incurred by non-Australian residents, how many involved student visa holders?
- (4) Of all the incidents of unpaid medical fees incurred by non-Australian residents, how many involved student visa holders who did not have private health insurance or whose cover had expired?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) All accounts representing the \$52,000 owed by international visitors at Ryde Hospital are followed up in accordance with the NSW Department of Health policy directive. Follow-up actions include the sending of reminder letters, final notices, and communicating with the debtor to secure payment, or to enter into an arrangement to pay by instalments. Where the follow-up actions undertaken by Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service have been exhausted, the account will be referred to a debt collection agency to instigate recovery action.

As at the end of October 2010, a total of \$26,270 has been paid; \$4,222 has been referred to a collection agency; \$16,837 is under an arrangement to pay by instalments; \$4,498 is currently being negotiated with the debtor; and \$445 has been written off as irrecoverable.

- (2) Amount lost in unpaid medical fees was as follows:
- (a) Financial year ending 2006: \$26,141
  - (b) Financial year ending 2007: \$10,248
  - (c) Financial year ending 2008: \$30,762
  - (d) Financial year ending 2010: \$8,749
- (3) and (4) Information that identifies a non-Australian resident as a student visa holder is not recorded.

\*12218BUS LANES—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

What has been the total expenditure on consideration of, and installation of, 24 hour bus lanes on the Condamine Street/Pittwater Road corridor?

Answer—

I am advised:

Three 24 hour bus lanes have been installed on the Condamine Street/Pittwater Road corridor as part of the Strategic Bus Corridors Program:

- Condamine Street southbound from Pittwater Road, Brookvale to Campbell Parade at Manly Vale.
- Pittwater Road, northbound, from Condamine Street to Cross Street at Brookvale.
- Pittwater Road, southbound, from Garden Street to Wakehurst Parkway at North Narrabeen, as part of the bus priority project at the Pittwater Road and Wakehurst Parkway intersection.

The total expenditure on these projects was \$11.6 million.

\*12219MEDICAL STAFF VACANT POSITIONS—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What medical staff positions are currently vacant at:
- (a) Mona Vale Hospital;
  - (b) Manly Hospital?

- (2) For how long has each position been vacant?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) At any one time most hospitals operate with a degree of staff vacancies. However, where vacancies exist, temporary qualified staff are employed where required pending recruitment to these positions.

The Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service continues to actively recruit for one Visiting Medical Officer (VMO) in Orthopaedics and a 0.5 full time equivalent (FTE) Staff Specialist Director of Medical Assessment Unit for Mona Vale Hospital; and two VMOs Neurology/Stroke, one FTE Advanced Trainee in General Medicine and one FTE Paediatric Unaccredited Registrar for Manly Hospital.

\*12221POLICE AREAS OF OPERATIONS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

Given statements by NSW Police Officers to residents of Wallaroo and Spring Range (located adjacent to the Barton Highway close to the NSW ACT border) that it is the responsibility of the Queanbeyan Police Station to respond to their requests for police assistance:

- (1) Are NSW Police Officers permitted to transit through the ACT when responding to requests for assistance without prior consultation or authorisation from the ACT government or Federal Police?
- (2) If not, how long does this consultation or authorisation generally take?
- (3) Has any consideration been given to transferring responsibility for responding to callouts from these



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localities to the Yass Police Station?

- (4) If so, what was the outcome of these considerations and the reason for retaining Queanbeyan as the responsible police station?
- (5) In the past 12 months how many requests for the NSW Police to attend incidents in Spring Range and Wallaroo have been received?
- (6) How many of these requests did NSW Police attend?
- (7) Of the requests attended, what was the maximum, minimum and median response time?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

(1) and (2) Yes. No notification is required for non-urgent transit. If transit is in response to urgent duty, where police may exceed speed limits or otherwise contravene normal traffic rules, the ACT Police Communications Centre is notified by radio and permission is normally immediate.

(3) and (4) No. In emergency situations, the nearest police will attend regardless of Local Area Command boundaries.

(5) In the 12 months to end October 2010, 20 calls were received from members of the public in the nominated areas.

(6) 18 out of the 20 calls resulted in police attendance and two minor matters were referred to the Police Assistance Line. Of the 18 calls responded to, 13 were attended by Queanbeyan police and five by Yass police.

(7) Response times were recorded for 13 of the recorded calls. The minimum response time recorded was 30 minutes with a maximum of 208 minutes, with a median of 80 minutes. It should be noted that the calls covered both urgent and non-urgent matters.

\*12222 SYDNEY WATER METER READING—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

Given recent media reports about Sydney Water customers being issued with water bills that reflect significantly higher water usage than actually occurred and the admission by Sydney Water that in these cases the residential meters were not read:

- (1) Does Sydney Water keep records of whether individual water meters were read or not read before the issuing of a water bill?
- (2) In what specific circumstances are Sydney Water employees permitted to not read a meter before a water bill is sent?
- (3) With reference to the incident reported in the Hornsby Advocate on 27 October, why was this water meter not read?
- (4) On average, how many water meters are not read by Sydney Water before issuing water bills?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Sydney Water maintains records of when water meters are read, and if not, the reason(s) why the meters were not read.
- (2) Meter readers do not read meters if the meters are inaccessible, such as behind locked gates and walls, in backyards, buried in gardens or undergrowth or if considered unsafe to access the area of the property where the meter is situated. In these cases, courtesy cards are left at the property for the customer to supply the reading.
- (3) Sydney Water has confirmed that the meter was read, however, the meter reading was incorrectly recorded by the meter reader.
- (4) Sydney Water issued approximately 98 percent of its bills in the last quarter based on actual meter readings. Where it was not possible to obtain an actual reading, the customer's water use was estimated.

\*12223 GLENDALE ROAD/RAIL INTERCHANGE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

What progress has been made on the development/planning/funding of the Glendale Road/Rail Interchange?

Answer—

Transport NSW and RailCorp have worked with the Transport Construction Authority to finalise the

Glendale Transport Interchange Strategic Appraisal Report.

NSW Transport and Infrastructure will continue to work with Lake Macquarie Council in relation to the town centre, and associated transport access.

\*12224 PALLIATIVE CARE BEDS—Mr Daryl Maguire asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) How many palliative care beds are included in the new Wagga Wagga Base Hospital plan?
- (2) How many are available now?
- (3) Will the new palliative care ward have accommodation available for families of terminally ill patients to stay?
- (4) When can the community expect delivery of a new unit?
- (5) In what phase of the development will the palliative care wing be built?
- (6) How many palliative care nurses are in the GSAHS (Wagga electorate)?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (6) Planning is underway for the construction of a \$90 million Stage 1 redevelopment of Wagga Wagga Base Hospital. This includes a Master Plan for the entire site. The Master Plan is being developed with a focus on providing clinical priorities and improved health outcomes, and will ensure that the hospital can be built in stages to respond to future capital funding.

A community based palliative care service is provided by Wagga Wagga Health Service in line with the National Palliative Care Strategy.

\*12226 BUSINESSES DEALING WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES—Mr Donald Page asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Given the ABS recently released figures showing there was a net loss of businesses of 17,623 in NSW between June 2007 and June 2009, why is the Government merely conducting another review into identifying ways of saving time and cutting costs for businesses dealing with Government agencies in NSW?
- (2) Will the Government consider taking some action rather than conducting yet another review?
- (3) What action, other than the recently announced review, is the Government taking to introduce policies to ensure that business dealings with Government agencies are less time consuming and more cost effective?

Answer—

This question is grossly misconceived. The Government is cutting red tape across the board to make it easier for business to interact with the Government. The Government has a \$500 million red tape reduction target, and the Government is well on its way to meeting this target. As at end June 2010 we had implemented reforms contributing \$400 million to the target and in 2009-10 167 red tape reforms were implemented. In fact as at end June 2010 we had implemented reforms cutting \$340 million worth of red tape specifically for business. This includes the introduction of joint regional planning panels, removing duplications in native vegetation requirements, reducing regulatory burden in the banana industry and simplified project developments and grants, to name a few. The business interface review is yet another initiative of this Government to make it easier to do business in NSW and stimulate business growth. The review will enable us to determine the best way forward and will be completed within a few months early next year. Reforms can then be implemented.

12227 TRAFFIC OFFENCES COMMITTED BY QUEENSLANDERS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

\*12228 ILLEGAL ACCESS TO CATCHMENT LAND—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

What were the names of the two corporations fined in the first 12 months of covert camera trial and surveillance operations after they were caught illegally accessing restricted drinking water catchment land?

Answer—

The Sydney Catchment Authority has not issued any penalty infringement notices to corporations for the offence of illegally accessing restricted drinking catchment land.

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However two corporations were fined for polluting waterways.

\*12229 TREE VANDALISM BANNER—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) (a) Is the 8-metre "Tree Vandalism" banner at Chowder Bay still in place (Question 8746)?  
(b) If not, when did it come down?
- (2) Was spending \$346 a day for the six days that the previous 6-metre banner was in place a good way to shame vandals?
- (3) Why is the penalty for anyone caught interfering with a banner in a national park (\$3,300) less than the value of the banner itself (\$4,040)?
- (4) When will Clause 25c in the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009 be updated to reflect this?
- (5) Is spending \$6,157.80 on banners a cost effective way to deter people from damaging native vegetation in Sydney Harbour National Park?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) (a) No.  
(b) 16 March 2010.
- (2) Yes, the banner was a cost effective method to raise the issue directly with the affected community and bush walkers, and to seek information to assist with the investigation. It compares favourably to other methods such as door knocking or putting a public notice in the local paper, and it clearly communicates that such illegal activity is not acceptable.
- (3) The application of the maximum penalty under the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2009 is applied as appropriate. However, the court may also, if satisfied, order an offender to pay for costs and expenses incurred or compensation for loss or damage suffered.
- (4) This would not be necessary.
- (5) Yes, it appears so as no further damage has been reported.

\*12230 DUNPHY WILDERNESS FUND PROPERTIES—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) How many properties owned by the Dunphy Wilderness Fund have not been declared as wilderness areas?
- (2) Which properties are they?
- (3) Which 15 of these have no substantial impediments to wilderness status?
- (4) Why have they not been declared?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The Dunphy Wilderness Fund does not own properties. The Fund was used to purchase properties to add to the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's national parks reserve system.
- (2) The Department is working through a systematic process to declare properties where appropriate as wilderness areas.
- (3) Eight of the properties that have not yet been declared as wilderness have no substantial impediments to wilderness declaration. These are additions to Guy Fawkes River National Park and Wadbilliga National Park.
- (4) Wilderness declaration gazettal notices are in preparation for the eight properties that have no substantial impediments to declaration.

12231 CROWS NEST CENTRE—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

\*12232 GRIEVANCE ADVISORY SERVICE—Mrs Jillian Skinner asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) In what month was the state-wide grievance advisory service established?
- (2) On a month-by-month basis, how many complaints has this service received since its establishment?
- (3) How many complaints has this service resolved since its establishment?
- (4) What are the top ten causes of complaints to this service?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (4) The Anti-Bullying Advice Line was established in April 2010. The Advice Line does not manage workplace complaints. It is a free, confidential, state-wide telephone advice line for all NSW Health staff.

Due to privacy and confidentiality reasons, the Advice Line does not issue data on the number or nature of the calls received.

\*12233 CLINICAL INITIATIVES NURSE POSITIONS—Mrs Jillian Skinner asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) How many additional Clinical Initiatives Nurse positions have been created and dedicated to emergency departments in NSW since 1 March 2009?  
(2) How many of these positions are filled with full time equivalent staff?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) On 5 July 2010, I released the second six-monthly report of the Independent Panel, Caring Together: The Health Action Plan for NSW, set up to monitor the implementation of NSW health reform. Details on progress on the recruitment of Clinical Initiatives Nurses are included in this report.

A copy of the report is available at:

[http://healthactionplan.nsw.gov.au/files/Media\\_and\\_Useful\\_Links/Second\\_Independent\\_Report\\_on\\_NSW\\_Health\\_Reforms.pdf](http://healthactionplan.nsw.gov.au/files/Media_and_Useful_Links/Second_Independent_Report_on_NSW_Health_Reforms.pdf)

\*12234 ACTION AGAINST EMPLOYERS—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) When was legislation first introduced to allow trade unions to take action against employers in relation to work safety breaches?  
(2) Has this provision existed in any other State of Australia?  
(3) Is there any evidence to suggest that this provision has any adverse effect on companies employing workers in this State?

Answer—

- (1) The 2007 Inquiry into the Review of the NSW Occupational Health and Safety Act 2000 conducted by the Hon Paul Stein AM, QC, found that unions in New South Wales have had the right to prosecute since the 1940s. The availability of union prosecutions applies to any breach of the occupational health and safety legislation, not just in relation to employers.  
(2) Yes, the Australian Capital Territory also has a provision allowing for both union and employer prosecutions of breaches of its Work Safety Act 2008.  
(3) I am not aware of any evidence suggesting that the availability of union prosecutions has any adverse effect on companies employing workers in New South Wales. In his 2007 report, the Hon Paul Stein found that union prosecutions are relatively few in number and are subject to the supervision of the Court. He concluded that "despite its very long history, the right to prosecute does not appear to have been abused by unions", and recommended that no change should be made to the union right to prosecute under the NSW Occupational Health and Safety Act 2000.

\*12235 NEW SOUTH WALES INDUSTRIAL LAWS—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) Do New South Wales industrial laws have a reverse onus of proof on employers in relation to court action on work place safety breaches?  
(2) If so, when was this provision first introduced into State law?  
(3) Is New South Wales the only State that has this provision?

Answer—

- (1) The onus is on the prosecution to establish, on the criminal standard of proof, that there has been a breach.

Once this onus is established, section 28 of the Act provides that it is for the defendant to establish that it was not reasonably practicable to comply with the provision, or that the breach occurred due to causes over which the defendant had no control and against the happening of which it was impracticable for the defendant to make provision. The onus of establishing the defence is on the defendant on the civil standard of proof.

- (2) Section 28 was introduced into New South Wales in section 53 of the Occupational Health and Safety Act 1983.

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- (3) No. Section 37 of the Queensland Workplace Health and Safety Act 1995 sets out the defences available for contraventions of that Act. It also provides that the onus of proving those defences is on the defendant. The position in New South Wales and Queensland is therefore similar.

\*12237ALCOHOL-RELATED ARRESTS—Mr Greg Aplin asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

Of arrests made in the Albury Local Area Command, how many recorded alcohol as a contributing factor to the arrest, as a raw number and percentage of all arrests in the LAC in:

- (a) 2007-08;
- (b) 2008-09;
- (c) 2009-10;
- (d) year to date?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that records indicate the following numbers of 'arrests' (ie. legal actions including Court Attendance Notices with and without bail, Cautions and Youth Conferences) occurred in the Albury Local Area Command :

	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11 (to end Oct)
Total "arrests"	1,378	1,374	1,224	381
"Arrests" in which alcohol was a factor	689	656	573	178
Percentage alcohol-related	50.0%	47.7%	46.8%	46.7%

\*12238GREATER SOUTHERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE JOB LOSSES IN ALBURY—Mr Greg Aplin asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) How many Area Health Service positions have been or will be removed from Albury during the following periods:
- (a) 2007 through transfer of Payroll staff to Sydney;
  - (b) 2009 through transfer of Food and Cleaning roles (Hotel Services Management) to Health Support, Sydney;
  - (c) 2009 through transfer of PADP and Home Oxygen Services to Sydney;
  - (d) 2009 through transfer of Pathology Services to Sydney West;
  - (e) 2010 through transfer of Recruitment staff to Sydney?
- (2) Can you advise what impact the Local Health Network program will have on the following Health Service sections currently in Albury:
- (a) Workers Compensation, OH&S and Risk;
  - (b) Information Technology Services;
  - (c) South West Public Health Unit;
  - (d) Medical Workforce;
  - (e) HR support;
  - (f) Staff Scheduling?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) NSW Health has been implementing a shared services program since 2007 to deliver shared corporate and business services across the public health system. This shared service arrangement is designed to achieve economies of scale, and cost savings which can be re-directed towards the delivery and consistency of standards in frontline healthcare services.

Staff affected by the shared services program are generally offered priority access to positions in the consolidated service or opportunities for redeployment within the Area Health Service. For non-frontline positions, if redeployment opportunities are not available, counselling has been offered along with change management and outplacement workshops.

Consultation with staff and their relevant representative bodies will continue as the Local Health Networks become operational and as the shared services program continues.

\*12240COMMONWEALTH FUNDING—NEW REGIONAL HOSPITAL AT BEGA—Mr Andrew Constance asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What involvement have local clinicians, nurses and Allied Health professionals had in the completion of a submission for Commonwealth funding to build the new regional hospital at Bega?
- (2) Why will the Government not make public this submission for Commonwealth funding by Health Infrastructure?
- (3) When will the land acquisition be complete?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) The NSW Government's bid to the Commonwealth's Health and Hospitals Fund for funding for a new regional hospital at Bega is based on the Project Definition Plan and Scheme Design, which were developed through extensive stakeholder engagement and consultation. Given the short timeframe for submissions to the Fund, the application reflects the high level planning and stakeholder consultation previously undertaken. Submissions will be provided to the Health and Hospitals Fund by Friday 3 December 2010, after which the Commonwealth may choose to disclose some aspects, such as the project and applicant name for each submission received.

(3) The land acquisition will be completed upon finalisation of the preferred site and negotiations with relevant landowners.

\*12241BUS SERVICE BETWEEN BERMAGUI AND NAROOMA—Mr Andrew Constance asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

Will the Government issue a contract for a private bus operator to run a service between Bermagui and Narooma to link up with the Narooma/Canberra service?

Answer—

I am advised that new arrangements for the delivery of bus services in rural and regional NSW were progressively implemented across NSW during 2008/09.

The Rural and Regional Bus Service Contracts allow for greater flexibility when planning transport services and give the Government tighter control on service standards. Any changes to bus networks will be undertaken in consultation with the community and will need the prior approval of Transport NSW before implementation.

Nowra Coaches, trading as Premier Motor Service, provide bus services along the Princess Highway between Nowra and Eden. This service diverts from the Princess Highway via Bermagui to Narooma on a daily basis.

In addition, LA and LG Symons operate three designated school services between Bermagui and Narooma.

The public is able to access these school bus services, however access is subject to the availability of spare capacity on the buses.

Premier Motor Services also provides long distance bus services between Sydney and Melbourne, via the Princess Highway. Bermagui residents can join this bus service on the Princess Highway.

Matters such as the route taken, destinations, service delivery, fares and timetables are regulated by market forces as this service is not regulated due to its long distance nature.

\*12243FUNDING OF LIFEGUARD—Mr Andrew Constance asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) Will National Parks and Wildlife Service fund a lifeguard at Dalmeny on a beach within a national park where thousands of visitors will visit over the summer months?
- (2) In light of Eurobodalla Shire Council's decision to not fund this position anymore due to the costs, will the State Government support the community?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) No.
- (2) Eurobodalla Shire Council is funding a lifeguard at Dalmeny. The Council issued a press release on 2 November 2010 advising that sponsorships had been received from a number of local businesses so that Council could provide lifeguards for all seven patrolled beaches within its council area, including Dalmeny.

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\*12244FIRSTNET CERNER—Mr Andrew Constance asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) Why are doctors expressing concern about FirstNet Cerner?
- (2) What is being done by GSAHS to address these concerns given the serious nature of the impact on emergency department patients?
- (3) Which sites have expressed concern about eMR throughout GSAHS?
- (4) Why are doctors not being listened to?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (4) Electronic Medical Records (eMR) have been rolled out to around 80 per cent of hospital beds across NSW. The majority of feedback from clinicians about the implementation of Cerner FirstNet associated with eMR has been positive.

Training for the implementation of eMR in Greater Southern Area Health Service began in April 2010. This involved more than 1,850 clinicians taking part in 32 training sessions. Of these clinicians, at least 152 Visiting Medical Officers received individual coaching with an average of 4-5 hours each. By the end of October 2010, all major sites had been trained and implementation completed.

Clinicians have also been consulted as part of the implementation process. In November 2010 members of the implementation team conducted face to face meetings with clinicians in Bega, Bateman's Bay and Moruya to provide clinicians with the opportunity to raise any concerns. Future meetings with clinicians will be held if necessary.

The project is also supported 24 hours a day from the eMR Support Team via a statewide service desk. In addition, there is in house support at Wagga Wagga Base Hospital until 31 January 2011 to assist with queries about the new system.

12245 NEW JETTY—CLYDE RIVER—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

\*12246DANGEROUS DRIVING BY HEAVY VEHICLE—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

Given your advice Western, Northern and Southern Regions all conduct regular patrols and specific operations targeting dangerous driving by heavy vehicles including the "tailgating" type offences such as following too closely to stop safely, menacing or predatory driving (Question 11652):

In each of the years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 to date, how many heavy vehicle drivers have been charged for each of the offences:

- (a) following too closely to stop safely;
- (b) menacing or predatory driving?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

As at 30 September 2010, the number of legal actions taken by police against drivers of heavy vehicles for the offences listed below were as follows :

OFFENCE	2008	2009	2010
Drive behind other vehicle too closely to stop safely	79	158	125
Menacing driving	5	6	4
Predatory driving	0	0	1

\*12248DRUNK AND DISORDERLY OFFENCE—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

Given your advice no legal action was taken against the 7,346 people detained in NSW in the 12 months to 31 May 2010 under the section of the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002 relating to the detention of intoxicated persons (Questions 11651, 11097):

- (1) Of the 7,346 people detained, how many were charged with any other offence when detained?
- (2) Of the 5,959 detained in 2006-07; 7,022 detained in 2007-08; and 7,266 detained in 2008-09, how many were charged with any other offence when detained?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that Section 206(2) of the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002, which deals with the detention of intoxicated persons, states: "A police officer is not to detain a person under this section because of behaviour that constitutes an offence under any law."

Therefore, no individuals detained as intoxicated persons in the nominated periods were charged with any offence.

\*12249 REBEL MOTORBIKE CLUB—Ms Pru Goward asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

Noting that on 7 October 2010, NSW Police congregated at the Marulan Heavy Vehicle Checking Station on the Hume Highway to apprehend members of the Rebel Motorbike Club who were travelling in convoy to Melbourne:

- (1) How many police officers were involved in this operation?
- (2) From which Local Area Commands were these police drawn?
- (3) What is the cost of such an operation?
- (4) How many arrests were made?
- (5) Given that the Rebel Motorbike Club is supposedly "outlawed" and no arrests were made, why not?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) 150.
- (2) There were 24 Commands involved, including Local Area Commands from the South West Metropolitan and Southern Regions as well as a number of specialist Commands including Traffic Services, the Public Order & Riot Squad and the Random Drug Testing Unit.
- (3) This operation was cost neutral, as it was conducted using normal rostered shifts.
- (4) One arrest was made due to a person being identified as wanted for assault. Random breath testing, drug and vehicle/licence compliance checks were also conducted, resulting in 31 Traffic Infringement Notices and four Suspension Notices being issued, as well as one Court Attendance Notice for possession of a knife.
- (5) See (4) above. It should also be noted that while the Rebels are considered an outlaw motorcycle gang, the Rebels Motorcycle Club is not 'outlawed'. No application has been made to declare the Rebels as a criminal organisation under the Crimes (Criminal Organisation Control) Act 2009.

\*12250 TREATMENT IN ACT HOSPITALS—Ms Pru Goward asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

Given advice that under the cross border agreement between NSW and the ACT, final acquittal of payments for 2006-07 was still being finalised (Question 2876):

- (1) Has the final acquittal of payments for 2006-07 been finalised?
- (2) If not, why not?
- (3) If it has, what was the cost to the NSW Government of payments to the ACT Government for the treatment of NSW residents in ACT Hospitals in 2006-07?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (3) Under the cross border agreement between NSW and the ACT, final acquittal of payments for 2006-07 is still being finalised.

An independent audit is being undertaken of patient records for NSW patients treated in ACT hospitals in 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09.

\*12255 SOUTH COAST CORRECTIONAL CENTRE JOBS—Mrs Shelley Hancock asked the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

- (1) How many new jobs have been created at the South Coast Correctional Centre?
- (2) To date, how many jobs have been filled?
- (3) Of these jobs, how many have been filled with residents from the:
  - (a) South Coast electorate;
  - (b) Bega electorate;
  - (c) Kiama electorate;



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- (d) Shellharbour electorate;
  - (e) Goulburn electorate;
  - (f) Other?
- (4) How many successful applicants are from interstate?  
(5) How many successful applicants are from out of the country?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) 269.
- (2) 206.
- (3) Electorate-of-residence data is not obtained from job applicants.
- (4) Two.
- (5) Nil.

\*12256 SOUTH COAST CORRECTIONAL CENTRE BUDGET—Mrs Shelley Hancock asked the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

- (1) What was the total budgeted amount for construction of the South Coast Correctional Centre?
- (2) To date, how much has been expended?
- (3) When will the South Coast Correctional Centre be completed in its entirety?
- (4) Is the Minister aware of any land rezoning which has taken place surrounding the centre?
- (5) (a) Has any rezoning of residents properties taken place?  
(b) If so, which properties have been rezoned?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The Member is referred to the Budget Estimates Papers for Corrective Services NSW.
- (3) The South Coast Correctional Centre is on schedule for completion in December 2010. Other works (including the Community Offender Support Program Centre) will be completed in 2011.
- (4) and (5) These questions do not fall within my portfolio.

\*12257 PRINCES HIGHWAY PARKING AREAS—Mrs Shelley Hancock asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Regarding parking areas on the Princes Highway

- (1) (a) Did the Roads and Traffic Authority enter into consultation with the South Coast transport industry concerning the closure of two parking areas at South Nowra and Berry on the Princes Highway?  
(b) If so, what consultation did the Roads and Traffic Authority enter into?
- (2) How much did the erection of new signage at the parking areas cost?
- (3) Does the Roads and Traffic Authority have any plans to replace the two, now closed, parking areas on the Princes Highway?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) and (b) The RTA is liaising with Shoalhaven Council to address road safety concerns at both locations.

A road side vendor has been operating at the intersection of the Princes Highway and Victoria Street at Berry. This has resulted in safety issues with vehicles accessing the vendor turning onto the highway. The concern is with the traffic implications rather than the vendor itself.

People often use the shoulder of the Princes Highway between Hillcrest Avenue and Browns Road at South Nowra to sell vehicles on the side of the road. It is also used by the RTA's Heavy Vehicle Inspectors to conduct safety operations.

The RTA installed "No Parking" signs on the Princes Highway at both Berry and South Nowra in response to increasing road safety concerns.

- (2) Approximately \$7,000.
- (3) The RTA replaced the 'No Parking' signs on the shoulder of the Princes Highway at Berry at the intersection of Victoria Street with a 'One Hour' parking restriction from 7 am to 7 pm. This

alteration allows heavy vehicle drivers to use the site at night, but discourages its use by vendors during the day.

The RTA has also recently constructed well equipped heavy vehicle rest facilities about 25 kilometres north of the Berry location. At South Nowra there is still a significant unrestricted area available for trucks to pull over.

As part of the federal government's \$70 million Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program the RTA has committed to the development of five new heavy vehicle rest areas, at 100 kilometre intervals, along the Princes Highway. The first of these, a heavy vehicle rest area at Jerrawangala (southbound), is scheduled to be open by late 2011.

\*12259 PROPOSED CANCER CARE CENTRE—Mrs Shelley Hancock asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

Regarding the proposed Cancer Care Centre to be located at the Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital:

- (1) How much has the Government committed to the Cancer Care Centre to be based at Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital?
- (2) (a) Are the abovementioned monies allocated to a particular project associated with the Cancer Care Centre?  
(b) If so, what project is the Government directly funding?
- (3) Has this money been allocated in the 2010-11 State Budget?  
(a) If not, why not?  
(b) If so, is the budgeted amount dependent on any particular factor?  
(c) If so, what factors is the budgeted amount dependent on?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (3) The NSW Government has committed \$10 million to the proposed Cancer Care Centre at Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital.  
\$1.172 million has been allocated in the 2010-11 State Budget for planning and construction purposes.

\*12260 PATIENT TRANSFER COSTS—Mrs Shelley Hancock asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What was the total cost of transferring patients from Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital to other hospitals, x-ray services or otherwise via the NSW Ambulance Service in:  
(a) 2008-09;  
(b) 2009-10?
- (2) What was the total cost of transferring patients from Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital to other hospitals, x-ray services or otherwise via the Health Transport Unit in:  
(a) 2008-09;  
(b) 2009-10?
- (3) What was the total cost of providing the Health Transport Unit vehicle at Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital during 2009-10?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The cost below relate to all NSW Ambulance transport charges including helicopter, fixed-wing aeroplane and both emergency and non-emergency road transport:  
(a) \$1,450,062  
(b) \$1,511,397
- (2) and (3) Shoalhaven District Memorial does not have a Health Transport Unit. However, a Patient Transport Service is utilised for patients when clinically appropriate. The total cost for the provision of the Patient Transport Service at Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital was:  
(a) \$779,470  
(b) \$794,950

\*12262 SPEED CAMERAS—Mrs Shelley Hancock asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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(1) (a) Does the Government have any plans to roll out further speed cameras within the South Coast electorate?

(b) If so, where does the Government intend on locating the cameras?

(2) What will be the total cost of the cameras?

Answer—

I am advised:

There are no current plans to install further fixed speed cameras, safety cameras or point-to-point cameras in the South Coast electorate. There are also no immediate plans to increase the number of mobile camera locations in this electorate.

\*12263 SPEED CAMERA OPERATIONS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

(1) Does your department have any current information or evidence suggesting that speed cameras in NSW have been operating contrary to international obligations or otherwise illegally?

(2) If so, what response has been made to this situation?

Answer—

I am advised:

No.

\*12264 SPEED CAMERA OPERATIONS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

(1) Does your department have any current information or evidence suggesting that speed cameras in NSW have been operating contrary to international obligations or otherwise illegally?

(2) If so, what response has been made to this situation?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

(1) No.

(2) N/A.

\*12265 PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

(1) What is the reason for the long delay (of approximately 2 years) in the Government's response to the 2008 Public Accounts Committee report on State Plan Reporting?

(2) Are you aware of the obligation in Standing Order 303A for Ministers to respond to such reports within 6 months?

(3) What response has been made to the last two Public Accounts Committee Chairs and the NSW Auditor General following their calls for a response?

Answer—

I am advised:

The recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee formed the basis of the Government's review of the State Plan which occurred during 2009.

During 2009 the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee was kept informed of progress in implementing the recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee.

The Government responded to the Public Accounts Committee following the release of the 2010 State Plan which addressed the recommendations. The Auditor General was provided a copy of the Government response.

\*12268 KATOOMBA/LEURA GASWORKS SITE—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

(1) What progress has been made in remediating the Katoomba/Leura Gasworks site since the Voluntary Remediation Proposal was issued in June 2002?

(2) (a) Was the detailed action plan submitted to the EPA by 31 May 2003?

(b) If not, when was the EPA notified in writing that the deadline would not be met?

(3) (a) Was the tar contaminated "priority material" excavated and disposed of by December 2003?

(b) If not, when was the EPA notified in writing that the deadline would not be met?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The former Katoomba/Leura gasworks has been a complex contaminated site. As the polluter (the Katoomba and Leura Gas Company Ltd) no longer exists, responsibility for clean up falls upon a number of parties, including the former landowner, AGL (now known as Jemena), a current landowner, Elgas, and the owner of the adjacent road, Blue Mountains City Council.

A network of bores for monitoring the quality of the groundwater at land adjacent to the gasworks site was installed in 2003. Approximately 1,500 cubic metres of tar and tar impacted soils has been removed from the site, and effective off-site disposal undertaken.

The Hodgkinson site (part of the former gasworks site) has been capped. A report into the installation of a groundwater diversion trench was prepared in 2008. Blue Mountains City Council engaged a contractor in 2010 to install the diversion trench. These works will be carried out in early 2011.

- (2) (a) Yes.

(b) Not applicable.

- (3) (a) and (b) The originally identified tar and tar impacted soils (priority material) were excavated and removed from the site for off site disposal in 2006. Written notification was received from AGL on 10 December 2003 that the deadline would not be met. Detailed negotiations on the appropriate steps to be taken to reduce exposure to the gasworks tar and impacted soils and the contribution of funding to assist with the remediation of the site were undertaken.

\*12269 TUNKS AND HODGKINSON SITES—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) (a) Were the Tunks and Hodgkinson sites at the Katoomba/Leura Gasworks site capped by June 2004?

(b) If not, when was the EPA notified in writing that the deadline would not be met?

- (2) (a) Was the shallow groundwater collection system installed by June 2004?

(b) If not, when was the EPA notified in writing that the deadline would not be met?

- (3) What are the pollutants of concern in the groundwater?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) (a) and (b) The former Katoomba/Leura gasworks has been a complex contaminated site. As the polluter (the Katoomba and Leura Gas Company Ltd) no longer exists, responsibility for clean up falls upon a number of parties including the former landowner, AGL (now known as Jemena), a current landowner, Elgas, and the owner of the adjacent road, Blue Mountains City Council.

The NSW Government negotiated with the proponents for remediation of the site, which resulted in most of the originally identified tar and tar impacted soils (priority material) being excavated and removed in 2006. The NSW Environmental Trust has also contributed towards the remediation of the site through the Innocent Owners program.

AGL notified that the 2004 deadline would not be able to be met in December 2003.

A working group, comprising representatives of the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water, Sydney Catchment Authority, and Council, was convened by the then Minister for the Environment, to develop a plan for further remediation works, which included the installation of a diversion trench.

Following this detailed work, the Hodgkinson site was capped in August 2010, and the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water will require the Tunks site to be capped following installation of a groundwater interception trench.

- (2) (a) Installation of the groundwater trench by Blue Mountains City Council is anticipated to be completed by 2012.

(b) Written notification that the deadline would not be met was received from AGL on 10 December 2003.

- (3) Coal tar and associated gasworks waste products.

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\*12270 VOLUNTARY REMEDIATION PROPOSAL—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) Were all of the principal features of the Voluntary Remediation Proposal completed by June 2007?
- (2) What are AGL and Elgas's plans for remediation in the coming year?
- (3) When does the department expect the remediation to be completed?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The former Katoomba/Leura gasworks has been a complex contaminated site. As the polluter (the Katoomba and Leura Gas Company Ltd) no longer exists, responsibility for clean up falls upon a number of parties including the former landowner, AGL (now known as Jemena), a current landowner, Elgas, and the owner of the adjacent road, Blue Mountains City Council.  
Initial remediation works saw approximately 1,500 cubic metres of priority material (tar and tar impacted soil) removed from the site. However, the proponents (Blue Mountains City Council, AGL and Elgas) advised that the costs of the high priority remediation was approximately \$400,000 greater than expected, resulting in the design and installation of the groundwater trench, and capping of the Tunks and Hodgkinson sites being delayed.
- (2) The Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water is regulating the Elgas site and the priority is for Elgas to undertake the investigation of the site to determine the necessary remediation steps. This is to be followed by remediation plans once the investigation is complete. AGL made a significant contribution to the first stage of remediation. It has since been restructured and is now known as Jemena. The Department does not have any requirements of Jemena with respect to additional remediation
- (3) Installation of the groundwater trench and capping of the site is anticipated to be completed by 2012. Timing of any further remediation required will depend upon the findings of Elgas's investigations. Long term site management will be required once these works are completed.

\*12272 GLADESVILLE POLICE STATION UPGRADE—Mr Anthony Roberts asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) Is the NSW Government considering upgrading the Gladesville Police Station?
- (2) If so:
  - (a) At what stage is the planning up to?
  - (b) What will the upgrade involve?
  - (c) What is the expected cost of the project?
  - (d) When is construction expected to begin?
  - (e) When is construction expected to be completed?
- (3) (a) Are there any plans to reopen the Lane Cove Police Station?  
(b) If so, when?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

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

\*12273 COMMUNITIES NSW—Mr Anthony Roberts asked the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for the Arts—

In the 2009-10 financial year, what was the staff turnover at Communities NSW?

Answer—

The NSW Public Sector Workforce Profile for the 2009-10 reporting period, which includes the report on employee movement, is not yet available.

\*12274 BULLYING AND HARASSMENT—Mrs Jillian Skinner asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

Separated by hospital for the 3 months to 30 September 2010:

- (1) How many incidents of bullying and harassment were reported by staff working within the health system (e.g. across every health service)?

- (2) How many of these incidents of bullying and harassment were investigated?
- (3) How many anti-bullying officer positions remain unfilled or have not been filled with permanent staff?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) Due to privacy and confidentiality reasons, bullying data is not recorded at hospital level. State-wide data for this period is not yet available.

(3) Thirteen Anti-Bullying Management Advisors have been appointed. Recruitment is continuing for the remaining positions.

\*12275 BULLYING COMPLAINTS—Mrs Jillian Skinner asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

What is the break down by hospital for the 163 bullying complaints reported to human resources units in Area Health Services up to 30 June 2010?

Answer—

I am advised:

Data is not recorded by hospital for privacy and confidentiality reasons.

\*12276 EMERGENCY MEDICINE SPECIALIST TRAINEES—Mrs Jillian Skinner asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What is the status of the plan to identify the appropriate number and location of emergency medicine specialist trainees in NSW Health?
- (2) How many emergency medicine specialist trainees have been identified as required?
- (3) How many have been budgeted for?
- (4) How many have been recruited?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Emergency Department Workforce Reference Group has developed an Emergency Department Workforce Analysis Tool which is currently being rolled out across NSW emergency departments to assist them to plan for workforce skill mix requirements.

In 2010, Emergency Medicine Training Networks were established to co-ordinate emergency medicine training including the distribution of trainees to NSW facilities. These Networks will identify any future need for emergency trainees.

Health services are funded for clinical service delivery, which includes funding for workforce requirements. There is no separate budget for emergency medicine training positions.

In 2009 in NSW there were 231 Advanced Trainees and 209 Basic or Provisional Trainees registered with the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine. The Junior Medical Officer recruitment process for 2011 is currently underway, with trainees taking up positions in Training Networks in January 2011. The Training Networks will provide data on trainee numbers from 2011.

\*12277 PROPOSED FRENCHS FOREST HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) How many residential homes have been purchased to make way for the proposed Frenchs Forest Hospital as at 28 October 2010?
- (2) What was the total cost of purchasing these homes as at 28 October 2010?
- (3) How many of these homes are being rented as at 28 October 2010?
- (4) What was the total income derived from renting these homes as at 28 October 2010?
- (5) How many of these homes have been demolished as at 28 October 2010?
- (6) Why have these homes been demolished?

Answer—

I am advised :

- (1) The Health Administration Corporation has acquired a total of eleven private residences.
- (2) The purchase price of the 11 residences is in the order of \$11 million. In addition to this, there are costs in relation to legal, valuation, other expert advisory services and costs awarded by the Court.
- (3) Nil.

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- (4) Rental revenue totalling in the order of \$540,000 has been received by NSW Health for the period June 2006 to 31 October 2010.
- (5) Five of the eleven residences were demolished prior to 28 October 2010 and the remaining dwellings are currently expected to be demolished before the end of 2010.
- (6) The five properties demolished had been vacated by the former owners and were at the time considered to be in poor condition and not suitable for further private rental.

The purpose of the demolition was to ensure that the properties did not become more derelict, present a hazard, or become occupied by squatters.

\*12278MOBILE COMMAND UNIT—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) (a) Has the Northern Beaches Local Area Command been provided with a Mobile Command Unit?  
(b) If not, why not?
- (2) When will a Mobile Command Unit be provided?
- (3) Which Local Area Commands in NSW are yet to be provided with a Mobile Command Unit?
- (4) What criteria are used to prioritise which Local Area Commands receive a Mobile Command Unit before others?

Answer—

(1) to (3) The NSW Police Force has advised me that there is no Mobile Command Unit currently allocated to the Northern Beaches Local Area Command.

I will make further announcements regarding the allocation of the remaining mobile police command units when decisions on their locations have been made.

(4) The allocation of police resources is determined on a needs basis, with a view to providing the most effective delivery of policing services across the State. A range of factors including community needs, station and vehicle assets, and input from Commands relating to the likely impact of Mobile Command Units on policing visibility, public safety and crime reduction are taken into consideration.

\*12279NARRABEEN LAGOON WATER QUALITY—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) What measures are being taken to improve the water quality of Narrabeen Lagoon, as identified as "Poor" in the 2009-10 State of the Beaches Report?
- (2) (a) Has there been a change in the reporting criteria for the State of the Beaches Report?  
(b) If so, why?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) Since 2002, the NSW Government has provided grants totalling \$408,750 through its Estuary Management Program to Pittwater and Warringah Councils for the implementation of the Narrabeen Lagoon Estuary Management Plan. The councils have partnered in implementing a range of measures to improve water quality, including gross pollutant traps, creek bank remediation and bush regeneration works.

In 2007, the NSW Environmental Trust provided a grant of \$1.996 million to the councils towards the rehabilitation of the lagoon. The project is due to finish in April 2011.

Pittwater and Warringah Councils are able to apply for further grants. Applications are now open for the 2011-12 Estuary Management Program, for studies and works that improve estuary health.

- (2) (a) Yes.  
(b) In 2008, the Australian Government agency responsible for setting all health-related guidelines, the National Health and Medical Research Council, issued new guidelines for recreational waters. The reporting criteria in the 2009-10 State of the Beaches Report were changed to meet the requirements of these new guidelines.

\*12280MONA VALE ROAD UPGRADE—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Is the upgrade of Mona Vale Road on the State Infrastructure Strategy?
- (2) For how many years has Mona Vale Road been included as part of the State Infrastructure Strategy?
- (3) What does the upgrade of Mona Vale Road involve?
- (4) What is the total cost of the proposed upgrade?

(5) When will funding be allocated to commence the upgrade of Mona Vale Road?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes. The NSW Government's State Infrastructure Strategy (SIS) 2008 to 2018 includes the Mona Vale Road upgrade project. The Mona Vale Road upgrade project forms part of the Government's \$140 billion 10 year infrastructure commitment in New South Wales.
- (2) The widening of Mona Vale Road at Ingleside was included in the 2006 State Infrastructure Strategy.
- (3) The Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) has recently published a Corridor Strategy for Metroad 3 between Macquarie Park and Mona Vale, which is available on the RTA's website.
- (4) The upgrade of Mona Vale Road is currently at a preliminary planning stage and a cost figure is not yet available.
- (5) As noted in (1), the upgrade of Mona Vale Road is included as an infrastructure commitment within the period of the Government's State Infrastructure Strategy (SIS).

\*12281 MONA VALE ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How many traffic accidents occurred on Mona Vale Road during:
  - (a) 2008-09
  - (b) 2009-10
  - (c) 2010-11 year to date?
- (2) What measures are being taken to reduce the number of traffic accidents on Mona Vale Road?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Reported crashes on Mona Vale Road from the Pacific Highway to Pittwater Road:

- (a) 115.
- (b) 120 (provisional data from 1 January 2010).
- (c) 17 (provisional and incomplete data).

2010 data is provisional and incomplete and will not be finalised until the NSW Coroner confirms the cause of each road fatality.

- (2) The RTA has undertaken a number of initiatives to reduce crashes on Mona Vale Road, including:
  - The speed limit was reduced from 70 km/h to 60 km/h on Mona Vale Road between Pentecost Avenue and Telegraph Road at St Ives on 30 May 2007.
  - The intersection of Mona Vale Road and Foley Street was signalised in 2009.
  - The RTA has recently installed an additional signalised pedestrian phase across Pittwater Road at the intersection of Mona Vale Road.
  - The NSW Police Force conducts regular enforcement on Mona Vale Road, which is ongoing with targeted campaigns. The RTA supports these police operations with behavioural messages for motorists using variable message signs on Mona Vale Road and advertising on bus and taxi backs.
  - The RTA has a proposal to install a 200 metre safety barrier on the southern side of Mona Vale Road at the west of Forest Way, Terry Hills in the 2010-11 program.
  - The RTA is assessing options at the signalised intersection of Mona Vale Road and Link Road at St Ives to address right turn crashes. Options will also be discussed with Ku-ring-gai Council as part of the St Ives Town Centre Development.
  - The RTA is investigating the intersection of Mona Vale Road and Douglas Street at St Ives to address right turn crashes.

\*12282 ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON STA BUSES—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the increased incidents of violence and anti-social behaviour on STA buses operating throughout the northern beaches?
- (2) What measures is the NSW Government taking to address the increased incidents of violence and antisocial behaviour on STA buses operating throughout the northern beaches?

Answer—



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- (1) and (2) The safety of passengers and bus drivers is of paramount importance to the NSW Government. I am advised that State Transit has invested considerable time, effort and money in making bus travel safer, including on the Northern Beaches, and places the highest priority on safety and security. In this regard I understand that:
- The fleet of Sydney Buses is continually being upgraded with the latest in driver and passenger safety, security, and vehicle monitoring systems, including the latest in digital CCTV security and vehicle tracking systems. Evidence from CCTV cameras is used by the NSW Police Force in finding and prosecuting offenders.
  - State Transit contracts security guards who patrol buses at particular times and along particular routes. Security guards are additional to State Transit's own Revenue Protection Officers.
  - State Transit undertakes ongoing and regular monitoring and adjustment of security resources to meet the needs of the network, including targetting of high risk parts of the network, including high risk parts of the Northern Beaches network.
  - State Transit works closely with the NSW Police Force on strategies to boost safety and security on the Sydney Buses network, including on the northern beaches, and to improve incident response times.
  - State Transit visits schools to provide information sessions for students with the aim of reducing anti-social behaviour on buses by school children.
  - State Transit liaises regularly with local councils and hotel groups to improve safety and reduce antisocial behaviour.
  - Ongoing training of State Transit drivers is provided in safety/ emergency response procedures, self defence techniques, and in how to deal with aggressive persons.
  - On-the spot fines of \$300 now apply for anyone drinking alcohol on a bus.
  - The Government's tough legislation to protect public transport workers, including bus drivers, makes any attack on them an "aggravating" factor in sentencing.

\*12283STA ELECTRONIC BUS ARRIVAL DISPLAY BOARDS—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

- (1) What is the total number of STA electronic bus arrival display boards located at bus stops in the Pittwater electorate?
- (2) How many of these electronic bus arrival display boards were operational as at 27 October 2010?
- (3) What is the reason for these electronic bus arrival display boards being inoperable?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) to (3) Electronic bus arrival display signs on the Northern Beaches were installed in the 1990s in both directions at main bus stops in Mona Vale, Narrabeen, Warringah Mall, Dee Why, and Manly Vale. The total number of signs installed was 11 and all are the property of the RTA. These electronic bus arrival display signs have been deactivated and are no longer in use due to outdated technology. As part of the Government's commitment to provide comprehensive transport information and make using public transport as easy and convenient as possible, from 30 November 2010 bus passengers are able to receive up to the minute "next bus" information with the launch of a new SMS service trial. The trial service, rolled out by Transport NSW in conjunction with the RTA and State Transit, is linked to the Public Transport Information and Priority System bus tracking and traffic signal priority system, which tracks vehicles by satellite. The system will be trialled on a number of Sydney's Metrobus routes. The service will provide details via an SMS of predicted arrival times of buses at a respective bus stop, for up to the next 30 minutes. The SMS service will be trialled for six months, and the service will be assessed to gauge its potential for rollout to other bus services in the future. The trial SMS 'Next Bus' service will be available on the following routes:

- M10 Kingsford - Maroubra Junction;
- M20 Gore Hill - Mascot;
- M30 Spit Junction - Sydenham;
- M40 Chatswood - Bondi Junction;
- M50 Drummoyne - Randwick;
- M52 Parramatta - Circular Quay; and
- M54 Parramatta - Macquarie Park.

\*12285 WAKEHURST PARKWAY AND PITTWATER ROAD INTERSECTION—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What was the total cost of upgrading the intersection of the Wakehurst Parkway and Pittwater Road in Narrabeen?
- (2) (a) Has the total cost of this project exceeded the initial allocated funding?  
(b) If so, why?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The total cost of upgrading the intersection of the Wakehurst Parkway and Pittwater Road at North Narrabeen was \$5.6 million.
- (2) (a) and (b) No.

12286 STAMP DUTY LEGISLATION—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

\*12287 FORMER ORANGE POLICE STATION—Mr Russell Turner asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) When was the former Orange Police Station closed?
- (2) How is the closed police station being utilised?
- (3) What plans does the Government have to dispose of the former police station site and building?
- (4) If the Government intends selling the site how will this be done?
- (5) Does the Government have a deadline for the disposal of the site and building?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) and (2) The former Orange police station has not been closed. It is used to support operations from the new Orange police station.
- (3) to (5) Any proposal to divest the property would be determined according to operational requirements. If the site were to be sold, it would be done in accordance with Government guidelines.

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\*12288 ROAD FUNDING—ALBURY ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Aplin asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What road projects received funding in the Albury electorate in each of the years 2008-09 and 2009-10?
- (2) What projects are receiving funding under the current budget?
- (3) Will funding be diverted to repairs following the damage from recent floods or will emergency relief funding be accessed for necessary bridge and road repairs?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The funding for road projects in Albury in 2008-09 and 2009-10 was as follows:

All figures are presented in '000s.

Project Name	2009-10	2008-09
Albury Bypass	1,251	3,774
Mullengandra-Table Top	112	3,201
Holbrook Duplication	76	276
Woomargama Duplication	14	123
Holbrook Bypass	7,325	1,525
Woomargama Bypass	58,592	3,260
Southern Hume Duplication	107,334	306,683
Tynan Road Grade Separation	154	19

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Corowa Bridge	5	44
Maintenance Works	21,098	22,203
Traffic Management	2,871	2,785
Road Safety Works	383	327
Total	199,215	344,220

(2) The budget funding for road projects in Albury in 2010-11 is as follows:

All figures are presented in '000s.

Project Name	2010-11
Mullengandra-Table Top	57
Woomargama Duplication	17
Holbrook Bypass	66,000
Woomargama Bypass	133,000
Southern Hume Duplication	4,620
Maintenance works	25,157
Traffic Management	1,435
Road Safety works	356
Total	230,642

(3) The storm event on 15 and 16 October 2010 was declared a Natural Disaster and councils in the Albury electorate are eligible for funding under the Natural Disaster provisions. The councils are working with the Roads and Traffic Authority, the Department of Services, Technology and Administration and others to agree on the work to be carried out. Funding for repairs under the Natural Disaster provisions is separate to the funding shown in (1) and (2).

12289 WERRINGTON COMMUTER CAR PARK—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

\*12291 FLASHING LIGHTS FOR SCHOOL ZONES—Mr Stuart Ayres asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Which schools in the Penrith electorate are yet to receive flashing lights in school zones?
- (2) When will these schools receive flashing lights?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The number and identity of schools in the Penrith electorate to receive flashing lights under the NSW Government's \$46.5M flashing lights program is yet to be finalised.

12292 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

\*12293 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How many times has a NSW Minister for Roads visited the Port Stephens electorate since April 2007 in an official capacity?
- (2) When and what was the nature of the visit/s?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government continues to deliver for the people of the Port Stephens electorate.

Recently, the \$44 million Tourle Street Bridge was completed, and opened to traffic on 7 May 2009.

A new Ambulance Station at Nelson Bay is under construction and is expected to be completed in early 2011.

At Raymond Terrace, a new police station is under construction, and a new hall is being built at Wirreanda Medowie Public School. Science lab upgrades are also taking place at Hunter River High School Irrawang High School and Tomaree High School.

Roads funding in the 2010/11 Budget for Port Stephens includes \$400,000 for repair of the Fitzgerald Bridge over Williams River at Raymond Terrace; \$639,000 for road repairs at the Richardson Road and

Medowie Road roundabout in Campvale; \$300,000 for repairs of the Hexham Bridge over the Hunter River on the Pacific Highway; and \$400,000 for pavement realignment and widening on Nelson Bay Road, on both approaches to Boyces Track at Bobs Farm.

The State Government is also supporting jobs in the electorate, with the \$18 million Volgren bus building plant opened at Tomago in March 2010. This plant will deliver 150 new articulated buses as part of a \$112 million State Government contract. The plant will support 250 jobs in the region.

- 12294 VISITS BY MINISTER—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12295 POLICE PRESENCE AT TUROSS HEAD—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12296 BETTER SERVICES AND VALUE TASKFORCE—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12298 STATE INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12300 RAILWAY STATIONS ELECTRICITY COSTS—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- \*12301 BUS RAPID TRANSIT—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What studies (if any) has the Government undertaken into Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) systems for the Northern Beaches?
- (2) Does the Minister support a BRT for the Northern Beaches?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The RTA is progressing a strategy to improve the efficiency and reliability of bus services on the Northern Beaches. This strategy will build on existing bus priority improvements that have been introduced as part of the NSW Government's commitment to Strategic Bus Corridor 16 Mona Vale to the City. The strategy aims to achieve continuous bus priority between Mona Vale and Seaforth. The Spit Military Corridor improvements will also assist bus movements between Seaforth and Neutral Bay.
- (2) The NSW Government has shown its support for BRT for the Northern Beaches by investing more than \$16 million in bus priority improvements in the past five years. These include road infrastructure and technological improvements on Strategic Bus Corridor 16 between Mona Vale and Seaforth.

The Government's Metropolitan Transport Plan also provides for funding which will improve reliability of bus services across the strategic bus corridors network.

- 12302 LAND AND HOUSING SUPPLY TASKFORCE—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12303 METROPOLITAN STRATEGY AND TRANSPORT BLUEPRINT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12304 CONTROL OF BARANGAROO—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12305 MID-WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL LEP—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—

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12306 WARRAGAMBA DAM CAPACITY—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

\*12308NSW FIRE BRIGADES, WOLLONGONG COMMUNICATION CENTRE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

Given the proposal by the NSW government to close the NSW Fire Brigades' Wollongong Communications Centre, which covers the Burrinjuck electorate:

- (1) Have you approved this proposal?
- (2) If so, on what date will the centre close?
- (3) To what positions will the 20 Communications Officers at the centre be relocated?
- (4) What action has been taken to ensure their knowledge of the geographic area, covered by the centre, is not lost?
- (5) Why is the Wollongong Communications Centre being closed?

Answer—

- (1) No.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) Not applicable.

12309 DREDGING OF PORT HACKING—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—

12310 PALLIATIVE CARE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

\*12311MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Wayne Merton asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Have any mobile speed cameras been placed in the Baulkham Hills electorate since they began being used on NSW roads?
- (2) If so, how many infringement notices have been issued from mobile speed cameras to drivers driving in the Baulkham Hills electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) There is one mobile speed camera location on Windsor Road, Beaumont Hills, which is on the border of the Baulkham Hills electorate. There has not yet been any enforcement at this location.

\*12312SCHOOL CLEANING EXPENDITURE—Mr Wayne Merton asked the Minister for Education and Training—

What is the total expenditure on cleaning at each school in the Baulkham Hills electorate in:

- (a) 2008-09;
- (b) 2009-10?

Answer—

Total expenditure on cleaning for each school in the Baulkham Hills electorate during 2008-09 and 2009-10 is contained in the following table:

School name	2008-09	2009-10
Baulkham Hills High School	\$ 239,718.47	\$ 249,577.15
Baulkham Hills North PS	\$ 133,516.85	\$ 137,755.19
Burnside Public School	\$ 59,825.60	\$ 61,747.78
Crestwood High School	\$ 230,025.36	\$ 237,415.24
Crestwood Public School	\$ 105,446.62	\$ 111,415.84
Excelsior Public School	\$ 93,454.34	\$ 88,341.49
Jasper Road Public School	\$ 159,520.14	\$ 164,636.93
Matthew Pearce Public School	\$ 156,641.62	\$ 163,742.63
Model Farms High School	\$ 216,816.48	\$ 248,855.60

Muirfield High School	\$ 239,321.92	\$ 246,895.26
North Rocks Public School	\$ 120,025.67	\$ 123,823.88
Northmead High School	\$ 222,794.51	\$ 229,951.69
Northmead Public School	\$ 118,645.92	\$ 124,531.15
The Hills School	\$ 149,029.07	\$ 153,867.58
Winston Heights Public School	\$ 93,693.53	\$ 96,703.87
Winston Hills Public School	\$ 100,895.79	\$ 104,137.53

12313 DENTAL SERVICES WAITING LIST—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

\*12315 PRIVACY LEGISLATION—Ms Clover Moore asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

With respect to regulation of closed circuit television (CCTV) surveillance in residential areas, and the reports on privacy of the NSW Law Reform Commission and the Australian Law Reform Commission:

- (1) What remedies apply in NSW to protect citizens from invasion of privacy?
- (2) What action has the NSW Government taken to protect privacy in these circumstances?
- (3) What proposals has the NSW Government advocated at national level?
- (4) What action will the NSW Government take to protect privacy in these circumstances?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Currently there is no specific cause of action for invasion of privacy in NSW. However there are both criminal and civil law remedies that may assist in some cases of inappropriate CCTV use. These include a range of criminal offences. To successfully prosecute for many of these offences it is necessary to prove an element of sexual gratification or arousal on the part of the accused person. It may also be possible for an affected person to institute civil proceedings for the tort of nuisance on the basis of unreasonable interference with the enjoyment of their property.
- (2) to (4) Both the New South Wales Law Reform Commission and the Australian Law Reform Commission have recommended that a statutory cause of action for the invasion of privacy be created. However, such a reform would be complex and contentious. It must be carefully considered, and stakeholders must be consulted, before any reforms proceed. The Commonwealth Government is currently leading developments towards nationally consistent privacy laws. The New South Wales Government will consider reform in this area as part of the national process.

12316 NSW TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

\*12317 OVERSEAS SAME SEX MARRIAGE RECOGNITION—Ms Clover Moore asked the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

Noting that the Tasmanian Government has amended its Relationships Act to recognise overseas same-sex marriages in State Deeds of Relationship:

- (1) What advice has the Government sought about legal options for NSW legislation to provide for similar recognition?
- (2) What action will the NSW Government take to provide similar recognition in NSW?
- (3) When will NSW residents have their overseas same-sex relationships recognised in NSW law?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer the member to my response to Written Question No 12103.

At present, people in same sex marriages or those who have registered their relationships overseas can seek to have their relationship registered under the Relationships Register Act 2010.

12320 EVIDENCE-BASED DRUG POLICY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

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\*12322 MOUNTAIN BIKING OPPORTUNITIES CONSULTATION—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) How did the National Parks and Wildlife Service appoint the facilitator for consultation forums on mountain biking in national parks?
- (2) What steps were taken to ensure that the appointed facilitator was completely independent from the mountain bike lobby?
- (3) Before or after the forums began, did the National Parks and Wildlife Service become aware that the appointed facilitator:
  - (a) was president of the Canberra Off Road Cyclists when it co-hosted the \$7.5 million Mountain Bike World Championships at Stromolo Forest Park in Canberra;
  - (b) has worked for Making Trax, which develops mountain bike tracks, including those at Mt Stromolo?
- (4) What requirements were imposed on the facilitator to ensure that any links to mountain biking and the mountain bike lobby were declared at the beginning of public forums?
- (5) How will the Government ensure that the public consultation process is independent and allay concerns that the current process is biased towards mountain bike riding in national parks?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The facilitator was selected for his extensive experience in public health and environmental, urban and recreation planning, both for the ACT Government and within academia.
- (2) The workshops were designed to elicit responses from those attending. It was made clear to the facilitator that his role was to capture these views in line with the standard role of a facilitator. DECCW staff attended and monitored each public consultation forum.
- (3) (a) Yes.  
(b) Yes.
- (4) The Department requested that the facilitator provide a brief introduction about his background and experience at the commencement of every public meeting.
- (5) The independence of the public consultation process was ensured via the following mechanisms:
  - A DECCW staff briefing was delivered to all public forum participants;
  - Each forum, including individual comments made, was sound recorded and minuted by DECCW staff;
  - All forum attendees were invited to make additional comments in writing if they did not feel comfortable providing their comments in the open forum; and
  - Additional consultation opportunities were provided, including the acceptance of submissions via an online forum, email and mail. All forum attendees were encouraged to make formal submissions using these means.

12323 EDGECLIFF INTERCHANGE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

12324 STATEMENT MADE AT "SHOW YOUR STRENGTH" RALLY—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

12325 SUPPORT FOR UPCOMING NSW ELECTION—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

12327 ALCOHOL AS A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR TO ARRESTS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

12328 PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT OFFICERS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

12329 INCORPORATION OF NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH IN THE TWEED VALLEY—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

12330 KINGS CROSS INJECTING ROOM—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

\*12331 UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) What are you doing about unexploded ordnance in the Tianjara and Clyde Gorge areas of Budawang National Park?
- (2) When did the Department first become aware of the problem?
- (3) Is unexploded ordnance from former military use a danger to bushwalkers, and to park staff during fire suppression and other park management operations?
- (4) What ordnance removal activities have been conducted since 1995?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) A risk assessment has been carried out based on information provided by the Department of Defence and public access restrictions are in place. Visitors are required to keep to designated tracks, digging and campfires are prohibited and no camping is permitted except at two designated locations. In addition, special operating procedures have been endorsed by the local Bushfire Management Committee to minimise risk to fire fighters. These procedures have been developed based on specialist ammunition advice from the Department of Defence.

Information about the unexploded ordnance and use restrictions is on the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water website, topographic maps and large signs at the entrances to the area. Letters advising of the restrictions have been sent to key user groups and are detailed in the widely circulated Budawangs Walking and Camping Strategy.

- (2) The occurrence of unexploded ordnance was known prior to addition of the former Tianjara Military Training Area to Morton National Park in 1970.
- (3) A number of restrictions are placed on bushwalking, fire suppression and park management activities to address risks associated with unexploded ordnance. See answer to question (1).
- (4) In 2009 and 2010, the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water contracted a private company to clear part of the road system and a designated camping area. In addition to these operations, Army unexploded ordnance disposal staff are requested about once per year to deal with newly detected ordnance. Broad area unexploded ordnance detection would not be technically feasible without large scale vegetation removal over the affected 12,000 hectares of national park.

\*12332 FA-18 SUPER HORNET EXERCISES—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) What environmental studies has the department carried out before allowing FA-18 Super Hornet exercises near the Broadwater National Park?
- (2) Are you aware there are an estimated 41 endangered bird species and 12 endangered mammals in the Broadwater National Park?
- (3) What studies is the department aware of on the effects of the new Super Hornet activity on wildlife?
- (4) What endangered animals live in the areas that will be targeted with high-calibre machine gun passes?
- (5) What endangered animals live in the areas that will be targeted on bombing runs?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The national park associated with the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range is Bundjalung National Park. Air weapons training has been undertaken in the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range since 1949, which pre-dates the establishment of the park.

The Department of Defence and the Royal Australian Air Force are yet to submit a formal proposal for the proposed changes to military training activities at the weapons range.

- (2) The Atlas of NSW Wildlife lists for Bundjalung National Park, incorporating the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range, 33 vulnerable bird species, eight endangered bird species, 15 vulnerable mammal species and one endangered mammal species.
- (3) Any proposed change in operation at the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range would be accompanied by an environmental impact assessment, which would include an assessment of the impact on wildlife.
- (4) and (5) Until a formal proposal is received from the Department of Defence, it is not possible to determine what endangered species may be affected by the proposed Super Hornet capability training in the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range. As noted in the answer to Question 3, proposed changes in operations at the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range would be



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accompanied by an environmental impact assessment, which would include an assessment of the impact on wildlife.

\*12333FA-18 SUPER HORNET EXERCISES—EFFECT ON WILDLIFE—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) What is the estimated number of animals that could be killed during FA-18 Super Hornet exercises near the Broadwater National Park?
- (2) What studies have been done on the biodiversity that exists in the wetlands within the bombing exclusion zone?
- (3) What does jet noise do to bird eggs?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The national park associated with the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range is Bundjalung National Park.

The Department of Defence and the Royal Australian Air Force, the proponents for the changes to military training activities, are yet to submit a formal proposal and associated environmental impact assessment. Until this is done, it is not possible to assess impacts on fauna.

- (2) The wetlands are not within the proposed area of operations of the FA-18 Super Hornet exercises.
- (3) Air weapons training (including the use of low flying military jets) has been undertaken in the Evans Head Defence Air Weapons Range in the area within Bundjalung National Park since 1949 and there has been no observed impact on bird eggs to date.

12334 INTERNATIONAL DRIVERS LICENCES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

12335 QUEENSLAND DRIVERS LICENCES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

12336 INTERSTATE DRIVERS LICENCES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

12337 MOBILE POLICE COMMAND UNITS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

\*12338ALLEGATIONS AGAINST TEACHERS—Mr Anthony Roberts asked the Minister for Education and Training—

- (1) How many child protection related allegations against teachers were referred to the Employee Performance and Conduct Directorate from schools in the Lane Cove electorate in:
  - (a) 2007-08;
  - (b) 2008-09;
  - (c) 2009-10?
  - (d) financial year to date?
- (2) Of these, how many matters were finalised in:
  - (a) 2007-08;
  - (b) 2008-09;
  - (c) 2009-10;
  - (d) financial year to date?

Answer—

- (1) (a) 7
- (b) 11
- (c) 3
- (d) 3
- (2) (a) 5

- (b) 12 (includes matter raised in a previous year)
- (c) 3
- (d) 3

12339 MANDATORY SHIFT HANDOVER POLICY—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

12340 UTILISATION OF LOCUMS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

12341 AUDIT OF PATIENT RECORDS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

12342 PRISONERS HELD—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

\*12343 JUVENILES HELD—Mr Greg Smith asked the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1) (a) How many juveniles are presently held in custody in NSW?
- (b) What percentage of those juveniles are Aboriginal or Torres Straight Islanders?
- (2) (a) How many of those juveniles are held on remand?
- (b) What percentage of those juveniles are Aboriginal or Torres Straight Islanders?
- (3) What rehabilitation programs are currently in place for juveniles held on remand?

Answer—

- (1) (a) 419
- (b) 44%
- (2) (a) 179
- (b) 44%

Source: DHS/JJ SIS 6 November 2010

(3) Young people on remand attend school and participate in psycho-educational group programs with topics covering Alcohol & Other Drugs (AOD), anger management, living skills and sexual health.

Given that, in 2009-10, a young person on remand spent an average of 10.5 days\* in custody, the types of programs/services offered are very different to those rehabilitation programs offered to young people serving longer sentences.

\* Source: DHS/JJ SIS effective 31 July 2010

12344 SEWERAGE UPGRADES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

12345 MONA VALE HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

\*12346 WAKEHURST PARKWAY FLOODING—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Do any future plans exist to help alleviate the prevalent flooding that occurs along the Wakehurst Parkway?

- (a) If so, what are the details of these plans?
- (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (a) and (b) There are no plans for further upgrades on the route to alleviate localised flooding from Middle Creek.

The RTA constructed a levee in 2004, which has significantly reduced the frequency of road closures. The RTA also implemented electronic signs to provide motorists with advance warning of closures and improve traffic flow during these periods.

Road closures due to flooding in the past three years have ranged from one to eight incidents per

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year with duration of a few hours to half a day.

12347 REDEVELOPMENT OF WHITE BAY AND GLEBE ISLAND—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—

\*12348 MEDIA-RELATED EMPLOYEES—Mr Andrew Stoner asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How many media-related employees were employed at the RTA in the following financial years, broken down by media advisors and media monitors:
  - (a) 2006-2007;
  - (b) 2007-2008;
  - (c) 2008-2009;
  - (d) 2009-2010;
  - (e) 2010-2011?
- (2) What was the total cost of salaries for media-related employees at the RTA in the following financial years, broken down by media advisors and media monitors:
  - (a) 2006-2007;
  - (b) 2007-2008;
  - (c) 2008-2009;
  - (d) 2009-2010;
  - (e) 2010-2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

RTA communications staff engage in a variety of functions including but not limited to: website management, internal communications, marketing, government and stakeholder communication and coordination of ministerial correspondence.

Communications staff are paid in accordance with Government guidelines, receiving wages commensurate with their position.

\*12349 NOISE AND VIBRATION-RELATED COMPLAINTS—Mr Andrew Stoner asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

What is the total number of noise and vibration-related complaints received by the RTA in the following financial years:

- (a) 2006-2007;
- (b) 2007-2008;
- (c) 2008-2009;
- (d) 2009-2010;
- (e) 2010-2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (a) 279
- (b) 352
- (c) 271
- (d) 255
- (e) 46

\*12350 TRANSPORTATION OF WOOL BALES—Mr Andrew Stoner asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

In regards to the RTA and the transportation of wool:

- (1) What is the justification for the strict enforcement of load restrictions on carriers transporting wool bales?
- (2) Given that the size of each wool bale varies due to the pressure of restraints and road movement, wouldn't it be impossible for every load of wool bales to be exactly 2.5 m wide as required by the RTA?
- (3) What measures have, or will you put in place, to ensure that the strict enforcement of load

- regulations after 1 November 2010 does not bring the transport of wool in NSW to a halt?
- (4) (a) Are you aware that different dimensions may be applied in other States?  
(b) If so, how does this affect cross border transportation?
- (5) How many carriers were fined for not complying with these regulations in the following financial years:  
(a) 2005-06;  
(b) 2006-07;  
(c) 2007-08;  
(d) 2008-09;  
(e) 2009-10;  
(f) 2010-11 (to date)?
- (6) Has the RTA conducted any studies regarding the loading of wool bales to ascertain the tolerance limits within which wool bales can be loaded?  
(a) If yes, what are the details?  
(b) If not, why not?
- (7) Has there been any consultation with affected businesses?  
(a) If yes, what are the details and outcomes of the consultation process?  
(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Enforcement aims to ensure the safety of all road users, the productivity of road transport, the protection of the road asset and the environment.

The loading and transportation of wool bales is covered by the Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005.

(2) Wool bales are a divisible load and are able to be loaded in a manner that prevents loads extending beyond the 2.5 metre width limit.

(3) Compliance and enforcement action is ongoing and undertaken by the RTA in accordance with NSW State legislation and regulations which have been in place since 2005.

(4) (a) and (b) The Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005 covers the loading dimensions of wool bales and is based on the federally agreed cross border approach. Therefore the width limit in each jurisdiction is the same.

(5) Offences relate to all types of loads, wool bales being only one type of load. The RTA monitors and records information about categories of offences, but not the type of load itself. The RTA does not retain information specifically related to wool bale offences.

(6) The Load Restraint Guide 2004 provides the restraint required to withstand forces of at least:

- 80 per cent of its weight in the forward direction;
- 50 per cent of its weight sideways and rearwards; and
- an additional 20 per cent of its weight vertically.

(7) The RTA regularly meets with the NSW Farmers Association and Road Transport Associations to raise and discuss issues of concern.

A wool bales workshop to explore the issue of safe transportation of wool bales is planned for early 2011 and will involve industry stakeholders.

\*12351 BULAHDELAH BYPASS—Mr John Turner asked the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) (a) Have all necessary contracts been entered into to enable the completion of the Bulahdelah bypass?  
(b) If not, why not?
- (2) When will the Bulahdelah bypass be open to traffic permanently?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The project is expected to be open to traffic by late 2012.

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\*12352 REMOVAL OF TREES—Mr Ray Williams asked the Minister for Education and Training—

With regard to the proposed removal of significant trees from within the grounds of the Kurrajong East School:

- (1) Was there any consultation with the local council, principal, parents of children at this school or the wider community regarding the removal of these trees?
- (2) Does the local RFS consider any trees located within this school to be a fire risk or danger to children or buildings of this school?
- (3) Exactly what actions are currently being undertaken in regard to the potential removal of trees within the grounds of East Kurrajong School?
- (4) Does the Department of Education or any other Government department plan to remove any trees from the grounds of any other school across the Hawkesbury area?
- (5) Why did the department not undertake appropriate community consultation with Hawkesbury Council, principal, the P & C association at this school or other residents surrounding these schools?

Answer—

- (1) The Department has undertaken a bushfire hazard assessment of BER works at the school following advice provided by Hawkesbury City Council in July, 2009. Consultation with the Principal of the school and the community is being undertaken prior to the creation of the necessary protection zone, which may involve the removal of trees identified as a bushfire risk.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) The Principal of the school has selected an alternative NSW Rural Fire Service accredited Bushfire Consultant from a list provided by the Department of Education and Training, to undertake a reassessment of the protection zone required at the school.
- (4) Fifteen NSW Government schools in the Hawkesbury area will require the creation of a protection zone, which may involve the removal of trees identified as a bushfire risk.
- (5) I am advised that consultation with some principals and school communities has already occurred. The Department is consulting with the remaining schools prior to the creation of the necessary protection zones.

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12353 CRITERIA FOR SALE—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—

12354 HEALTH FUNDING COMMITMENT—ALBURY—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

12355 SHORT TERM LENDING COMPLAINTS—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for the Arts—

12356 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING ACCOMMODATION—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—

12357 HEAVY VEHICLE SPEEDING—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

12358 NSW GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABILITY POLICY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

\*12359 INDIGENOUS EMPLOYMENT SCHEME—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

Given your advice the Government has pledged to increase Aboriginal participation in the public sector, creating 2,200 jobs for Aboriginal people over the next four years from July 2009 (Question 8579):

- (1) Do these figures form part of the national target that by 2015, 2.6 per cent of all public servants be Aborigines?
- (2) Given Cabinet's September shelving of a proposal to boost Aboriginal employment, how does the Government now propose to boost to 2.6 per cent the number of Aborigines in the senior public service?

Answer—

I am advised:

The commitment to employ an additional 2,229 Aboriginal people within the public sector in NSW over four years forms part of the national target of 2.6 per cent of Aboriginal employees in the public sector as described in the COAG National Indigenous Reform Agreement ("Closing The Gap").

A target of 2.6 per cent Aboriginal representation in the Senior Executive Service will be included in Director General Performance Agreements to be achieved over five years.

- 12360 JUVENILE OFFENDERS—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 12361 JUVENILE DETENTION CENTRES—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 12362 PARKING FINES REVENUE—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- \*12363 MARRICKVILLE COUNCIL LEP—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- (1) When will your Department gazette the Marrickville Council LEP?
  - (2) Why has the Marrickville Council LEP taken so long to receive approval?
- Answer—
- (1) The gazettal of the draft Marrickville LEP 2010 is anticipated by June 2011 in keeping with the timeframes agreed to by the Department of Planning and Marrickville Council.
  - (2) The draft Marrickville LEP has received approval at various stages in its preparation according to the time frames agreed between Council and the Department.
- 12364 SUPPORT CLASS LANGUAGE—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12365 SUPPORT CLASS LANGUAGE—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12366 STATE PRIORITY PROJECTS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12367 ISOLATED PATIENTS TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE SCHEME—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12368 RAIL CROSSINGS IN HARDEN SHIRE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12369 GET HEALTHY ADVICE LINE—Mr Kevin Humphries to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12370 SEWERAGE UPGRADES—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12371 SCHOOLS CLEANING EXPENDITURE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12372 SHIP FIRES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12373 ULTIMO AND PYRMONT BUSES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

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- 12374 SUPPLY OF ALCOHOL TO UNDERAGE DRINKERS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12375 PAYMENT FOR DOMESTIC SOLAR POWER—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Commerce, Minister for Energy, Minister for Public Sector Reform, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 12376 PARKING FINES REVENUE—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12377 UTS KURING-GAI SITE—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12378 INTERACTIVE WHITE BOARDS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12379 CONSUMER, TRADER AND TENANCY TRIBUNAL MATTERS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 12380 TWEED HEADS HOSPITAL CLEANING—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12381 AMBULANCE OFFICERS REMAINING WITH PATIENTS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12382 PATIENT TRANSFER DOCUMENTS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12383 LIAISON BETWEEN DIRECTORS AND GPS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

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- 12384 FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12385 REPLACEMENT OF UNFLUED GAS HEATERS—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12386 DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12387 RED LIGHT AND SPEED CAMERA REVENUE—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12389 EDUCATION FUNDING—Mr Steve Cansdell to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12390 ROADS FUNDING—Mr Steve Cansdell to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12391 LOCAL AREA COMMAND FUNDING—Mr Steve Cansdell to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12392 MENTAL ILLNESS AND HOMELESSNESS—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12393 ANTI-GRAFFITI ACTION TEAM—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

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- 12394 NSW STATE PLAN 2010—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12395 SYDNEY METRO PROJECT—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12396 SYDNEY FERRIES SPEED LIMITS—PARRAMATTA RIVER—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12397 FERRY CRASH—MEADOWBANK WHARF—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12398 ACCESS TO WATER—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12399 MEETINGS WITH MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12400 BARANGAROO DELIVERY AUTHORITY—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12401 PARKING FINES REVENUE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12402 SUNFLOWER CENTRE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 12403 TOUGHER PENALTIES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 12404 WHITE BOARDS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12405 SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL CLEANING BUDGET—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12406 KURNELL DESALINATION PLANT—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12407 KURNELL DESALINATION PLANT—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12408 MOORE PARK EAST DISCUSSIONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12409 REVIEW OF RODEO CODE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12410 NORTHERN RIVERS COMMUNITY LEGAL CENTRE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 12411 ENVIRON CEMETERY—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 12412 POKER MACHINE NUMBERS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12413 CHILDREN INJURED AT SCHOOL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Education and Training—



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- 12414 BECCARI'S FREETAILED BAT—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12417 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTY—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—
- 12418 THE HILLS AND HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCILS—FINES ISSUED—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12419 REPTILE KEEPER LICENCES—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12420 BERRYS BAY MARINA REDEVELOPMENT—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12421 OVER-HEIGHT TRUCKS OR LOADS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12422 UNREGISTERED AND UNINSURED DRIVERS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12423 SPEED CAMERA REVENUE—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12424 USE OF BUS LANES BY MOTORCYCLES—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12425 WRITTEN-OFF VEHICLES LEGISLATION—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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- 12427 NPWS STAFFING AT KHANCOBAN—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12428 NORTHERN ROAD AND M4 INTERCHANGE—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12429 OUTSTANDING MAINTENANCE REQUESTS—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—
- 12430 CARBON EMISSIONS FROM MOTOR VEHICLES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12431 YEAR-ROUND VIABILITY OF PERISHER VALLEY—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12432 TAFE COURSES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12433 STAMP DUTY EXEMPTIONS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12434 COUNTRYLINK AND BUS CONNECTIONS—Mr Peter Besseling to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

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- 12435 NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mr Peter Besseling to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12436 DISTANT EDUCATION STUDENTS—Mr Peter Besseling to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12437 PORT MACQUARIE BASE HOSPITAL—PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENT UNIT—Mr Peter Besseling to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 12438 MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTION TEAM—Mr Peter Besseling to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12441 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUNDING—Mr Steve Cansdell to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12442 CHILDREN (PROTECTION AND PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY) ACT 1997—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12443 PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Commerce, Minister for Energy, Minister for Public Sector Reform, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 12444 NSW STATE PLAN—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12445 SYDNEY FERRIES COLLISIONS—PARRAMATTA RIVER—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12446 WASH FROM SYDNEY FERRIES—PARRAMATTA RIVER—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12447 NO WASH ZONES AND SPEED LIMITS—PARRAMATTA RIVER—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12448 MILTON/ULLADULLA DENTAL HEALTH CLINIC—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12449 EXPANSION OF ULLADULLA HIGH SCHOOL—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12450 SHOALHAVEN LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12451 PRINCES HIGHWAY AT TABOURIE LAKE—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12452 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING WAITING LISTS—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—
- 12453 RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENCES—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12454 ST JOHN NSW FUNDING—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12455 NOWRA DENTAL HEALTH CLINIC—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12456 OFFICE OF STATE REVENUE—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 12457 ROAD FUNDING—THE ENTRANCE—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12458 ROAD FUNDING—WYONG—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12459 SCHOOLS CLEANING EXPENDITURE—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12460 CENTRAL COAST HIGHWAY FLOODING—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12461 PUBLIC DOMAIN—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- \*12462 RECLASSIFICATION POWERS—KU-RING-GAI COUNCIL—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- (1) What is the status of your considerations regarding possible removal of Ku-ring-gai Council's reclassification powers over its own land?
  - (2) What is the reason for the delay in your decision on this matter?
- Answer—
- (1) The Department of Planning has not yet provided me with a recommendation for any final decision on the removal of Councils reclassification powers.
  - (2) I understand that the Department of Planning is considering Council's response to the review.
- 12463 LEVEL 15 POLICY OFFICER POSITION—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12464 BOUNDARY STREET WIDENING—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12465 HEADLAND PARK—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12466 PROPOSED NORTH SHORE RAIL LINE BICYCLE PATH—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12467 PREMIER'S SPORTING CHALLENGE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12468 ENERGY ACCOUNTS PAYMENT ASSISTANCE SCHEME—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Commerce, Minister for Energy, Minister for Public Sector Reform, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 12469 PATIENT TRANSFERS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12470 DUNPHY WILDERNESS FUND PROPERTIES—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12471 STRIPE-FACED DUNNART—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12472 EASTERN TUBE-NOSED BAT—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12473 AIR-CONDITIONING—MONA VALE HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12474 EXPRESS BUS DEPARTURE POINT—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

- 12475 LOCAL AREA COMMAND FUNDING—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12476 MONA VALE HOSPITAL—MIDWIVES AND PAEDIATRICIANS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12477 MONA VALE HOSPITAL—MATERNITY UNIT—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12478 FULL TIME EQUIVALENT SECURITY GUARDS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12479 PATIENT TRANSFERS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12480 POLICE OFFICER INJURIES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12481 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12482 SYDNEY FESTIVAL OF FOOTBALL—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12483 CAMPAIGN FOR MAJOR EVENTS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12484 NSW DEFENCE INDUSTRY ADVISORY COUNCIL—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 12485 HOUSING FOR AGED RESIDENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—
- 12486 FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR FLOOD VICTIMS IN THE ALBURY ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12487 FLOOD RECOVERY ACTIVITY IN GREATER HUME AND TUMBARUMBA SHIRES—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12488 INSTALLATION OF SEWAGE MAINS—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12489 MIDCOAST WATER CHARGES—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12490 MYALL RIVER—STUDY INTO PROBLEMS—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12491 FUNDING FOR TOMAREE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12492 TOURLE STREET BRIDGE—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12493 WILLIAMTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

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- 12494 NEW HALL AT WIRREANDA PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12495 EFFECTS OF FLUORIDE ON HUMAN HEALTH—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12496 VICTORIA AND DIGNAMS CREEKS—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12497 COMMONWEALTH SUBMISSION—NEW REGIONAL HOSPITAL AT BEGA?—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12498 STRICKLAND HOUSE ESTATE—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12499 PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Commerce, Minister for Energy, Minister for Public Sector Reform, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 12501 REDUCTION IN FERRY SPEEDS—PARRAMATTA RIVER—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12502 INVESTIGATIONS INTO ACCIDENTS AND COLLISIONS—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12503 MAXIMUM SCHOOL AGE—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12504 LIFE WITHOUT BARRIERS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12505 HILL TOP RIFLE RANGE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12506 ADMINISTRATION OF DRUGS—CHILDREN IN OUT OF HOME CARE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12507 UNDERAGE COHABITATION—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12508 UNFLUED HEATERS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12509 SYDNEY HARBOUR FORESHORES—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12510 OVERSEAS PASSENGER TERMINAL AT BARANGAROO—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12511 WHITE BAY OVERSEAS PASSENGER TERMINAL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12512 BARANGAROO SITE—PART 3A APPROVALS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12513 LACHLAN VALLEY FIXED WATER CHARGES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12514 VOLUNTEERS IN POLICING—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

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- 12515 YASS, BOOROWA AND MURRUMBURRAH-HARDEN HOSPITALS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12516 GRENFELL HOSPITAL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12517 WOOL BALE INFRINGEMENT NOTICE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12518 NATIONAL PARKS ESTATE (SOUTH WESTERN CYPRESS RESERVATION) BILL 2010—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12519 COMMUNITY GARDENS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12520 SYDNEY DESALINATION PLANT—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12521 SYDNEY DESALINATION—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12522 PICTURE OF GOVERNOR SINCLAIR—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12523 HORNSBY HOSPITAL CLEANING BUDGET—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12524 ARGENTON PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12525 WARATAH WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12529 STATE PLAN REPORTING WORK—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- \*12530 STATE PLAN CABINET COMMITTEE—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- (1) How many external members are there on the State Plan Cabinet Committee?
  - (2) Who are they?
- Answer—
- There are three independent advisors to the Cabinet Committee on State Plan Performance. The independent advisors are Professor Brian McCaughan, John Stuckey and Wendy McCarthy AO.
- 12531 NEW PLAN DOCUMENTS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12532 PARKING FINES REVENUE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12533 PATIENT TRANSFER DOCUMENTS—TWEED HOSPITAL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12534 REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE—TWEED HOSPITAL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12535 EASTERN GREY KANGAROO—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12536 WESTERN GREY KANGAROO—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

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- 12537 RED KANGAROO—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12538 SCIENCE LABORATORY UPGRADES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12539 DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOMS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12540 CLINICIANS ATTRACTED FROM METROPOLITAN HOSPITALS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12541 RURAL TRAINING PLACES—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12542 EDUCATION AND TRAINING SUPPORT FOR RURAL CLINICIANS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12543 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CRIMES (SENTENCING PROCEDURES) ACT 1999—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 12544 CRISIS ACCOMMODATION BEDS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12545 PLANNING ASSESSMENT COMMISSION—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12546 HEATERS IN SCHOOLS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12547 AERIAL PATROL—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12548 FIXED AND MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12549 COASTAL PLANNING GUIDELINES AND FLOOD LEVELS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12550 ENCLOSURE PERMIT ON A CROWN ROAD AT MAROOKA—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12551 SOUTHERN CROSS SUBCONTRACTORS—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12552 GLOSSODIA PUBLIC SCHOOL SECURITY FENCE—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

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- 12553 BUILDING STRONG FOUNDATIONS FOR ABORIGINAL CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES PROGRAM—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12554 ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES—PROPOSED NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12555 SCHOOL PLAYING FIELDS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

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- 12556 WHITE BAY OVERSEAS PASSENGER TERMINAL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12557 WYANGALA DAM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12558 COOTAMUNDRA HOSPITAL PROPOSED STRIKE ACTION—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12559 RUGBY PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12560 THREE PHASE POWER METERS FOR BUSINESSES—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—
- 12561 THREE PHASE POWER METERS FOR BUSINESSES—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Commerce, Minister for Energy, Minister for Public Sector Reform, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 12562 REDUNDANCIES IN DEPARTMENT OF PREMIER AND CABINET—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12563 SMART METERS—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Commerce, Minister for Energy, Minister for Public Sector Reform, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 12564 BUS SERVICES IN THE LAKE MACQUARIE ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12565 COST OF TILLEGRA DAM—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—
- 12566 RESPIRATORY SERVICES AT TWEED HOSPITAL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12567 STUDENTS OVER 18 IN THE TWEED ELECTORATE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 12568 PROPOSED POLICE STATION AT KINGSCLIFF—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12569 SANDON AND WOOLI CATCHMENTS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 12570 PLATFORMS ON THE CARLINGFORD LINE—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12571 PROPOSED BUS T-WAYS ON SHOWGROUND ROAD—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12572 INTEREST PAID ON RENTAL BONDS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for the Arts—
- 12573 PENSIONER TRAVEL VOUCHERS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12574 BULAHDELAH COMMUNITY HOSPITAL—EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE FUNDING—Mr John Turner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12575 PRIMARY CARE CENTRE—FORSTER—Mr John Turner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—



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- 12576 EMPLOYMENT BUDGET OF THE MINISTRY OF WESTERN SYDNEY—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12577 THE OFFICE OF WESTERN SYDNEY WEBSITE—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12578 MINISTRY OF WESTERN SYDNEY STAFF—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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- 12579 HYDRAULIC ROCK FRACTURING TECHNIQUE—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12580 PLANNED TRAIN STABLING YARD AT EMU PLAINS—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12581 PENRITH BUS/RAIL INTERCHANGE—Mr Stuart Ayres to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12582 CANCELLATION OF PVC ALLOWANCE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12583 THIRLMERE RAIL TRANSPORT MUSEUM—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12584 PAMBULA INDOOR AQUATIC CENTRE FUNDING—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- 12585 INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMITTEE ON REFORM OF THE SHARED PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES SECTOR—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Volunteering, and Minister for Youth—
- 12586 DRUNK AND DISORDERLY OFFENCE—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
- 12587 OUTLAW MOTORCYCLE GANG MEMBERS—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- 12588 HEAVY VEHICLE SPEEDING—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12589 BED OCCUPANCY RATES—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12590 AMOUNT OF CLAIMED OVERTIME BY NURSES—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12591 INITIATIVES/ONE2FOUR CAMPAIGN—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12592 NUMBER OF INTENSIVE CARE, HIGH DEPENDENCY AND CORONARY CARE UNITS—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- 12593 INCIDENTS ATTENDED TO BY FIRE STATIONS—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

- 12594 MONETARY LOSS SUFFERED AS A RESULT OF STRUCTURAL FIRE—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12595 CHILD KNOWN TO DOCS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12596 FOSTER CARER VISITS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12597 DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12598 SUTTON FOREST COAL LEASE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 12599 COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICE AT NYNGAN—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12600 1996 DOCS STATISTICS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12601 STAFF AT THE MINISTRY FOR THE CENTRAL COAST—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—
- 12602 CRISIS ACCOMMODATION BEDS—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- 12603 PARKING FINES REVENUE—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 12604 USE OF BARANGAROO DOCKS AS AN OVERSEAS PASSENGER TERMINAL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12605 CONSERVATION AS A STATE PARK—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister for Lands—
- 12606 WAKEHURST PARKWAY/FRENCHS FOREST ROAD INTERSECTION—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 12607 HIGHWAY PATROL VEHICLE FIT OUT—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—
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12835 DISPOSAL OF COROWA POLICE RESIDENCE 1—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

Given that the Corowa Police Residence 1 has been scheduled for divestment (sale) as at 2 November 2010:

- (1) Is this the residence previously occupied by the Corowa Police Sergeant?
- (2) When will the sale of the premises be finalised?
- (3) Will the proceeds of the sale be used to acquire a new residence in Corowa for Police officers?

12836 ALBURY WODONGA HEALTH—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) How many inter-government meetings took place with Albury Wodonga Health in its first 15 months of operation?
- (2) What progress is being made on the transfer of the mental health facility, Nolan House, to Albury Wodonga Health?
- (3) What additional resources will be provided to Albury Wodonga Health from NSW Health for psycho-social rehabilitation and community health intervention and follow-up upon discharge from Nolan House?

12837 PARKING FINES REVENUE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) What is the total amount of money collected by the State Debt Recovery Office in parking fines in Albury in:
  - (a) 2007;
  - (b) 2008;
  - (c) 2009;
  - (d) 2010 to date?
- (2) What was the maximum parking fine issued in Albury since 2007?
- (3) What was the minimum parking fine issued in Albury since 2007?

12838 24-HOUR BUS LANE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What is the rationale behind the 24-hour bus lane northbound on the Burnt Bridge Creek Deviation, considering buses do not operate 24-hours a day?
- (2) Will you consider returning it to being a dedicated bus lane only in peak hours?

12839 GRIDLOCK AT THE PORT BOTANY TERMINAL—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) What are the outstanding issues the Government is aware of in relation to gridlock at the Port Botany terminal?
- (2) What is Government doing to address these issues?

12840 ULMARRA SPEED CAMERA—Mr Steve Cansdell to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Will the Minister support the placement of a speed camera on the northern end of Ulmarra to police and reduce speeding by interstate heavy vehicles on the Pacific Highway at Ulmarra primarily between 8 pm and 6 am?

12841 COMMUNITY DRUG ACTION TEAMS—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What is the total number of Community Drug Action Teams currently in operation across NSW?
- (2) What was the total funding directed towards the operation of Community Drug Action Teams in each of the years:
  - (a) 2007-08;
  - (b) 2008-09;
  - (c) 2009-10?

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12842 NSW PUBLIC SECTOR APPRENTICESHIP STRATEGY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

Given the 2009 NSW Public Sector Apprenticeship Strategy aims to increase the number of new apprentices to 4000 by 2012 who are employed by government agencies or working on government construction projects:

- (1) What action has been taken and what progress has been made to achieve this outcome since 2009?
- (2) How many apprentices are currently employed by government agencies or working on government construction projects?

12843 CO-ORDINATED GRAFFITI REMOVAL APPROACH TRIAL—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

In relation to the co-ordinated graffiti removal approach trial:

- (1) When will this trial commence?
- (2) Who is the agency conducting the removal?
- (3) Of all the local government areas (LGA), on what basis were Blacktown and Mosman chosen as the areas in which to conduct the trial?
- (4) Given that the Report on "Graffiti and Public Infrastructure" (p.11) states that there will be graffiti removal from "all NSW Government assets", what are considered as assets under the definition for "NSW Government assets"?
- (5) What will be the cost of this trial?

12844 EXTENT OF GRAFFITI—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Which five LGAs had the most reports of graffiti vandalism on NSW government assets during the last 12 months?
- (2) How did the number of reports of graffiti vandalism on NSW government assets in the Ryde LGA compare to others?
- (3) How many incidents of graffiti vandalism were recorded at each of the train stations in the Ryde LGA during the last 12 months?
- (4) How many incidents of graffiti vandalism were recorded at the Buffalo Road bus depot during the last 12 months?

12845 COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDERS IMPOSED ON GRAFFITI OFFENDERS—Mr Victor Dominello to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many graffiti offences were heard before a court in:
  - (a) 2001;
  - (b) 2002;
  - (c) 2003;
  - (d) 2004;
  - (e) 2005;
  - (f) 2006;
  - (g) 2007;
  - (h) 2008;
  - (i) 2009;
  - (j) 2010?
- (2) How many graffiti offenders in NSW had a community service order imposed upon them by a court in:
  - (a) 2001;
  - (b) 2002;
  - (c) 2003;
  - (d) 2004;
  - (e) 2005;
  - (f) 2006;
  - (g) 2007;
  - (h) 2008;

- (i) 2009;  
(j) 2010?
- (3) How many graffiti offenders in NSW had a clean up order imposed upon them by a court in:
- (a) 2001;  
(b) 2002;  
(c) 2003;  
(d) 2004;  
(e) 2005;  
(f) 2006;  
(g) 2007;  
(h) 2008;  
(i) 2009;  
(j) 2010?
- 12846 TRANSFER OF SERVICES TO HOUSING—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for the State Plan, and Minister for Community Services—
- (1) Has the Policy Unit for SAAP services been transferred out of Community Services to Housing?  
(a) If so, when did this occur?  
(b) Why wasn't the sector consulted?
- (2) What support or other specialist services that are offered by Community Services such as early intervention, education, outreach and community development will now be provided by Housing?
- 12847 PAYMENTS FOR MEDIA AND PUBLIC RELATIONS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—
- (1) What is the expenditure of wage, salary and contractual payments to persons and entities engaged by all NSW government departments, state management enterprises and quasi state government agencies for media and public relations for the years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010?
- (2) What is the total expenditure of wage, salary and contractual payments to persons and entities engaged by all NSW government departments, state management enterprises and quasi state government agencies between the years 1996 and 2010 inclusive?
- 12848 SHOALHAVEN DISTRICT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- (1) (a) Is the Government still in negotiations with Shoalhaven City Council concerning the provision for additional car parking at Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital?  
(b) If so, what is the current status of the negotiations?  
(c) If the negotiations have been completed, what was the outcome?
- (2) Does the NSW Government have a plan to deliver additional car parking at Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital?
- 12849 LITTLE FOREST ROAD/PRINCES HIGHWAY INTERSECTION—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) (a) Has the Government identified potential safety improvements to the abovementioned intersection?  
(b) If so, what safety improvements have been identified?
- (2) What are the estimated costs of the identified improvements?
- (3) (a) Has the Government identified funds in the 2010-11 State Budget in order that improvements to the Little Forest Road/Princes Highway intersection are completed?  
(b) If so, how much money has been allocated to the project?
- 12850 DUPLICATION OF THE PRINCES HIGHWAY AT SOUTH NOWRA—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Has the Government called for tenders to construct the duplication of the Princes Highway at South Nowra?
- (2) When does the Government believe that construction will commence on the duplication?
- (3) Has the Government received concerns from local residents and business groups concerning the proposed Park Road pedestrian traffic signals as part of the upgrade?



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(4) Is the Government currently reconsidering the proposed traffic signals to be replaced with a pedestrian overpass?

12851 CENTRAL STATION PLATFORMS—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

Regarding the changes to the South Coast and Illawarra rail lines timetable

(1) (a) How many services departing from the following stations now utilise Central Station platforms 24/25:

- (i) Bomaderry (Nowra);
- (ii) Berry;
- (iii) Gerringong;
- (iv) Kiama;
- (v) Bombo;
- (vi) Minnamurra;
- (vii) Dunmore (Shellharbour);
- (viii) Oak Flats;
- (ix) Albion Park;
- (x) Dapto?

(b) Which services?

(2) (a) In the previous timetable, how many services departing from the following stations utilised Central Station platforms 24/25:

- (i) Bomaderry (Nowra);
- (ii) Berry;
- (iii) Gerringong;
- (iv) Kiama;
- (v) Bombo;
- (vi) Minnamurra;
- (vii) Dunmore (Shellharbour);
- (viii) Oak Flats;
- (ix) Albion Park;
- (x) Dapto?

(b) Which services?

(3) During the submission period, did CityRail receive opposition to the use of Central Station platforms 24/25 by South Coast services?

12852 ANALYSIS OF SCHOOL BUS ROUTES—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

Regarding the Department of Transport and Infrastructure's analysis of rural and regional school bus routes using the National Guidelines for Risk Assessment of School Bus Routes as noted in correspondence from the former Minister for Transport the Hon. John Watkins dated 23 January 2008 and the former Minister's response to my question (7745) on 9 October 2009:

- (1) Has the Government completed the analysis of rural and regional school bus routes using the National Guidelines for Risk Assessment of School Bus Routes?
- (2) What routes were identified by independent experts (engaged by the NSW Government to conduct an assessment of school bus routes) in NSW which are considered to be 'high risk' under the National Guidelines?
- (3) What are the results of the examination of the abovementioned routes?
- (4) What action has been taken by NSW Transport in relation to the abovementioned analysis?
- (5) (a) Given the former Minister's answer to my question (7745) on October 9, 2009, what measures have been implemented to target specific risks associated with particular routes?
- (b) Which routes?
- (6) What was the cost of the review?
- (7) Can the Minister advise any further progress that has been made with respect to the provision of seat belts on school buses?

12853 NEBAX CONSTRUCTIONS PTY LTD—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—

Concerning the engagement by NSW Housing of Nebax Constructions Pty Ltd to construct housing units at Karowa Street, Bomaderry:

- (1) Is the Minister aware that Nebax Constructions Pty Ltd has failed to pay subcontractors taking part in the construction of Department of Housing properties at Karowa Street, Bomaderry?
- (2) Has the Department of Housing offered any security for subcontractors in order that they are able to receive the outstanding amounts currently owed to them?
- (3) What is the Department and the Minister doing to ensure subcontractors receive payment for work completed on the units?
- (4) (a) Has Nebax Constructions Pty Ltd been contracted by the NSW Department of Housing to construct any other Housing properties across NSW?  
(b) If so, where?

12854 POLICE STATION CLOSURES—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) Was the Minister aware that Kangaroo Valley and Berry police stations were closed in September and October 2010?
- (2) If so, what is the reason for the closure?

12855 JERRAWANGALA TRUCK REST STOP—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Regarding the construction by the RTA of a truck rest stop at Jerrawangala on the Princes Highway:

- (1) When will construction commence on the Jerrawangala truck rest stop located on the Princes Highway?
- (2) What is the exact location of the truck rest stop?
- (3) Has the Roads and Traffic Authority received any objections to the construction of the Jerrawangala truck rest stop?
- (4) Has the Roads and Traffic Authority considered relocating the proposed truck rest stop to the corner of Sussex Inlet Road and the Princes Highway, a location overwhelmingly supported by the community?

12856 SHOALHAVEN RIVER BRIDGE—Mrs Shelley Hancock to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How much money was committed for the Shoalhaven River Bridge in:
  - (a) 2009-10;
  - (b) 2010-11?
- (2) What work has been carried out on the Shoalhaven River Bridge?

12857 OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO HIGHWAY PATROL—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance—

- (1) How many officers from the Brisbane Water Local Area Command were assigned to Highway Patrol and at which locations for the following dates:
  - (a) 30 June 2007;
  - (b) 30 June 2008;
  - (c) 30 June 2009;
  - (d) 30 June 2010?
- (2) How many officers from the Tuggerah Lakes Local Area Command were assigned to Highway Patrol and at which locations for the following dates:
  - (a) 30 June 2007;
  - (b) 30 June 2008;
  - (c) 30 June 2009;
  - (d) 30 June 2010?

12858 STATE INFRASTRUCTURE LEVIES—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

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What is the quantum of State Infrastructure Levies received by the Government in each of the last five years?

12859 NEWCASTLE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

Given that most visitors to Newcastle arrive by train, what evidence is there that Newcastle City Council's decision to move the visitor information to Honeysuckle will encourage tourists to the Hunter?

12860 CHAMBER REGISTRAR SERVICE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health representing the Attorney General, Minister for Citizenship, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Vice President of the Executive Council—

Why is the Attorney General's department only allowing the services of the "Chamber Registrar" for one day a week, given that the need for this "access" in the outer-suburbs, is overwhelming?

12861 GAS CONNECTIONS IN HOUSING UNITS IN WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Small Business, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Veterans' Affairs—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that Department of Housing units being built in Menzies Avenue, Kooringal, Wagga Wagga, will not have gas connections?
- (2) Is the Minister aware that gas cannot be connected due to the capacity of the main gas line in the area?
- (3) Is the Minister aware that future tenants are low income earners, many on fixed incomes?
- (4) Is the Minister aware that these tenants will be forced to use electricity for their hot water, cooking and heating?
- (5) Is the Minister aware that electricity prices have risen dramatically, and continue to rise?
- (6) Will the Minister ensure that this problem is rectified immediately by ensuring that adequate gas can be supplied to these units?

12862 SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE ACCESS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

With respect to plans for Sydney Harbour Bridge walks and other major events:

- (1) What consultation does the Government require of major event organisers to carry out with cycling groups to ensure continued access to the cycle route across the bridge?
- (2) What consultation does the Government carry out with cycling groups to ensure access to the cycle route across the bridge?
- (3) Noting that cyclists are required to use the dedicated cycle route across the bridge, how does the Government ensure that access is maintained?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to ensure cycling access across the Sydney Harbour Bridge?

12863 BANK STREET PYRMONT PUBLIC RECREATION SITE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

With respect to the arrangements for community use and access to this site, and noting that it involves NSW Maritime, the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority, the Roads and Traffic Authority, the Sydney Heritage Fleet and the Community Water Sports Centre:

- (1) How does the NSW Government ensure cooperative action from these agencies to obtain a positive outcome?
- (2) What community consultation is being carried out with local residents and business operators?
- (3) What are the barriers to completing the Bank Street Pyrmont Public Recreation Site, and what action has the Government taken to overcome these barriers?
- (4) How will the Government ensure that the Community Water Sports Centre will be about to operate from Bank Street?
- (5) What plans does the Government have to ensure prompt resolution?

12864 ORAL HEALTH—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

With respect to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare data on periodontitis and access to dental care, and continuing reports from Sydney electorate constituents that they cannot afford access to dental treatment:

- (1) What assessment has the NSW Government made of data showing that people on low incomes are much less likely than others to visit a dentist but much more likely to need dental treatment or have teeth extracted?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of data showing that people on low incomes are much more likely to suffer from periodontitis, which can lead to significant problems including loss of teeth?
- (3) What is the expected wait for Sydney electorate constituents for urgent public dental treatment?
- (4) What is the expected wait for Sydney electorate constituents for non-urgent public dental treatment?
- (5) What action has the Government taken to ensure that people on low incomes have access to dental treatment?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to increase access to dental treatment for people on low incomes?

12865 COST OF DESALINATION PLANT—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

Given that Morris Iemma announced in June 2007 that the Sydney desalination plant would be delivered in September 2009 at a cost of \$1.76 billion, why was it not delivered until 2010, and then at a cost of \$1.8 billion?

12866 SHOROC BUSES—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What is the Government's response to the bus rapid transit proposals for serving the Northern Beaches as submitted by SHOROC in its recent strategy document?
- (2) What State funding, if any, has been allocated for feasibility studies or other investigation of these proposals, including for a dedicated median bus lane?
- (3) What current plans are there for the State Government to improve Warringah Road commuter bus use?

12867 COST OF TILLEGRA DAM—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Water, and Minister for Corrective Services—

- (1) How much public money was spent in total on the now rejected Tillegra Dam project?
- (2) What other resources were expended internally, including time spent by public servants on this project?

12868 AUBURN PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

In relation to Auburn Public School:

- (1) Of the P2 ranked schools in NSW how many have a split campus?
- (2) Will the Minister give an undertaking to build an overhead pedestrian bridge linking the two campuses of Auburn Public School to allow safe passage of the staff and students between Campuses?
- (3) Does the Minister acknowledge that the current Principal is a correct match for the needs of Auburn Public School?
- (4) Would the Minister agree with the request of the school community to leave the current Principal with her level of expertise at Auburn Public School, as above establishment if necessary, when her leadership has resulted in improved academic outcomes at both ends of the academic scale?
- (5) Why was the Principal's compassionate transfer application to stay at Auburn Public School denied when she is undergoing chemotherapy treatments until late 2011 following a diagnosis of breast cancer and after a mastectomy?
- (6) Given that a P2 ranking involves a lower global budget than a P1 ranking, what will these cuts mean overall to Auburn Public School which needs above establishment considerations of a P2 ranking owing to their 98% Non English Speaking Background enrolment and the split campus?
- (7) Given that it took four years to return to P1 level enrolment during the last review why has the reclassification occurred after two years on this review?
- (8) Given that Auburn Public School has been through the reclassification review process in 2000-2004, why is this current review over a two year period (when the last review was conducted over a four year period) especially given that the fluctuating enrolment history of the school is well known to the DET?
- (9) Does the Minister acknowledge that the enrolment in the Kindergarten Year in 2010 shows an upward trend in enrolments and that this trend needs time to develop?

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12869 REPORTS OF MISCONDUCT BY DET STAFF—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

- (1) How many incidents of bullying, harassment and discrimination were reported by DET staff in the following years (listed separately):
  - (a) 2008;
  - (b) 2009;
  - (c) 2010 to date?
- (2) From 1 January 2009 to 30 October 2010, how many proven allegations of DET staff misconduct were there and for each allegation, what was the:
  - (a) nature of allegation;
  - (b) employment outcome and/or action taken by the DET (ie. Contract terminated, warning, resignation etc);
  - (c) staff SES level;
  - (d) DET area?

12870 NSW ETHICS COURSE TRIAL—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

In relation to the NSW ethics course trial:

- (1) What are the costs incurred by the Department of Education for conducting the trial, including:
  - (a) the overall cost;
  - (b) remuneration packages;
  - (c) travel;
  - (d) catering;
  - (e) resources;
  - (f) training;
  - (g) any other expenses?
- (2) What are the costs incurred by the Department of Education for commissioning the report into the trial, including:
  - (a) the overall cost;
  - (b) remuneration packages;
  - (c) travel;
  - (d) catering;
  - (e) distribution;
  - (f) printing;
  - (g) any other expenses?

12871 FIRST HOME BUYERS—REDUCTION IN STAMP DUTY—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—

How many first home buyers residing in the Tweed have taken advantage of the reduction in stamp duty for properties up to \$600,000?

12872 ENROLMENTS AT KINGSCLIFF TAFE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

- (1) How many full-time enrolments were there at the Kingscliff TAFE for the following years:
  - (a) 2008;
  - (b) 2009;
  - (c) Year to date?
- (2) How many part-time enrolments were there at the Kingscliff TAFE for the following years:
  - (a) 2008;
  - (b) 2009;
  - (c) Year to date?

12873 IMMUNISATION LEVELS OF HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

In relation to adolescent children attending High schools in the Tweed and the immunisation program:

- (1) How many Year 7 students attending school within the Tweed electorate opted not to have the following vaccinations in 2010:

- (a) hepatitis B vaccine;  
 (b) varicella (chickenpox) vaccine;  
 (c) diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine (dTpa)?
- (2) How many Year 7 female students attending school within the Tweed electorate opted not to have the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in 2010?
- (3) How many Year 10 students attending school within the Tweed electorate opted not to have the diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine in 2010?
- 12874 HIP REPLACEMENTS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—  
 How many people received hip replacements at the Tweed Hospital in the following years:
- (a) 2000;  
 (b) 2001;  
 (c) 2002;  
 (d) 2003;  
 (e) 2004;  
 (f) 2005;  
 (g) 2006;  
 (h) 2007;  
 (i) 2008;  
 (j) 2009;  
 (k) year to date?
- 12875 POWERHOUSE MUSEUM TRUST—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for the Arts—
- (1) What remuneration does the President of the Powerhouse Museum Trust receive?  
 (2) What remuneration does a Trustee of the Powerhouse Museum receive?
- 12876 PARRAMATTA PARK TRUST—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Major Events—
- (1) What remuneration does the Chairman of the Parramatta Park Trust receive?  
 (2) What remuneration does a Trustee of Parramatta Park receive?
- 12877 HISTORIC HOUSES TRUST—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for the Arts—
- (1) What remuneration does the Chairperson of the Historic Houses Trust receive?  
 (2) What remuneration does a Trustee of the Historic Houses Trust receive?
- 12878 COUNCIL FINES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer, Minister for State and Regional Development, Minister for Ports and Waterways, Special Minister of State, Minister for the Illawarra—
- In relation to Question Number 11882, is there an underlying reason as to why the Councils of Lane Cove, Hunters Hill and Ryde all issued a substantially lower amount of fines (in terms of dollar face value) in 2009-10 as compared to 2008-09?
- 12879 YOUNG PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY SERVICES FORUM—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Volunteering, and Minister for Youth—
- In relation to Question Number 11929 (part 2), could the Minister please provide the total cost of hosting the Young People in Emergency Services Forum, hosted on 28 August 2010 at Luna Park, inclusive of any hire fees paid to Luna Park?
- 12880 HOSPITAL BEDS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- Despite the NSW population growing by approximately 1.6% (or 111,300 people) over the last year, why are there fewer public hospital beds per 1,000 population in 2010 than there were in 2009?
- 12881 HOSPITAL BEDS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- Despite the NSW population growing by approximately 18% (or 1,123,400 people) over the last 15 years, why are there fewer beds in 2010 than there were in 1995?

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12882 REQUESTS FOR TENDER—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

How many requests for tender, expressions of interest and requests for quotation has the NSW Department of Health released in:

- (a) the last 5 months?
- (b) the twelve months to 30 June 2010?

12883 BIRTHS AT MANLY HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

Given your advice that 398 of the 1336 women to give birth at Manly Hospital in 2009-10 did so via caesarean section (Question 11388):

- (1) How can you claim this represents 28.4% of women (Question 12066)?
- (2) What is the correct percentage of women to give birth at Manly Hospital via caesarean section in 2009-10?

12884 MONA VALE HOSPITAL WORKS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

When will the necessary works be undertaken to the facade of Mona Vale Hospital to allow for the safe removal of the temporary perimeter fence boarding the hospital?

12885 REVENUE FROM PRIVATE PATIENTS AT MATERNITY UNITS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) (a) Did the Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service factor in declining revenue from private patients when calculating the potential cost savings of consolidating obstetric maternity services on the northern beaches at Manly Hospital?  
(b) If not, why not?
- (2) What is the projected revenue to be derived from private patients birthing at Manly Hospital's combined unit in the following financial years:
  - (a) 2010-11;
  - (b) 2011-12;
  - (c) 2012-13?
- (3) What is the projected revenue to be derived from private patients birthing at Mona Vale Hospital's proposed Midwife Group Practice in the following financial years:
  - (a) 2010-11;
  - (b) 2011-12;
  - (c) 2012-13?
- (4) What was the decline in revenue derived from private patients giving birth at Manly Hospital's combined unit in 2009-10 compared to when Manly Hospital and Mona Vale Hospitals operated separate units in 2008-09?

12886 MIDWIFE GROUP PRACTICE AT RYDE HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

How many expectant mothers participating in the Midwife Group Practice at Ryde Hospital were transferred to an alternate hospital for obstetric support prior to going into labour, during the financial years ended:

- (a) 30 June 2005;
- (b) 30 June 2006;
- (c) 30 June 2007;
- (d) 30 June 2008;
- (e) 30 June 2009;
- (f) 30 June 2010?

12887 RYDE HOSPITAL'S MIDWIFE GROUP PRACTICE—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

In reference to the women transferred during labour from Ryde Hospital's Midwife Group Practice to Royal North Shore Hospital for emergency obstetric support, what was the average time taken to transfer these women, decision to incision, in the financial years ending:

- (a) 30 June 2006;
- (b) 30 June 2007;
- (c) 30 June 2008;
- (d) 30 June 2009;
- (e) 30 June 2010?

12888 RELOCATION OF MONA VALE HOSPITAL'S MATERNITY WARD—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What is the whereabouts of the medical equipment left stored by midwives at Mona Vale Hospital's maternity ward whilst the ward has been temporarily relocated to Manly Hospital?
- (2) What is the whereabouts of the records, paperwork and manuals left stored by midwives at Mona Vale Hospital's maternity ward whilst the ward has been temporarily relocated to Manly Hospital?
- (3) What is the whereabouts of the personal items left stored by midwives at Mona Vale Hospital's maternity ward whilst the ward has been temporarily relocated to Manly Hospital?

12889 BIRTHS AT MANLY HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—

- (1) What is the accumulative total number of women that gave birth at Manly Hospital in 2009-10 residing in Bayview, Bilgola, Church Point, Clareville, Elvina Bay, Ingleside, Palm Beach, Scotland Island or Terrey Hills?
- (2) What is the accumulative total number of women that gave birth at Manly Hospital between 1 July 2010 and 31 August 2010, residing in Avalon, Bayview, Bilgola, Elanora Heights, Ingleside, Mona Vale, Narrabeen, Newport, North Narrabeen, Palm Beach, Terrey Hills and Warriewood?

12890 PITTWATER EXPRESS BUSES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for the Central Coast—

In reference to the proposed changes to the CBD departure points for Pittwater's express buses:

- (1) (a) Will any "limited stop" services be removed from operation as part of these changes?
- (b) so:
  - (i) Why are these services being removed?
  - (ii) Was the decision to remove the services subject to public consultation?
- (2) (a) Will any additional "express" services be allocated to the "Pittwater and Palm Beach" timetable as part of these changes?
- (b) If so:
  - (i) How many additional express services will be allocated?
  - (ii) On what routes and times will these services operate?

12891 MONA VALE ROAD—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) (a) Has the Government considered the creation of a climbing lane on the steep section of Mona Vale Road westbound between Boundary Road and Lane Cove Road?
- (b) If so:
  - (i) Where are the plans located?
  - (ii) What is the estimated cost of such works?
- (2) What is the estimated cost of upgrading Mona Vale Road to a dual carriageway between Mona Vale and Terrey Hills?

12892 MARULAN HEAVY VEHICLE CHECKING STATION—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

In relation to the Heavy Vehicle Checking Station at Marulan and given the high levels of traffic on the Hume Highway, what are the operating hours of the Marulan HVCS, both north and south bound?

12893 RTA FLEET HIRE AND LEASE CHARGES—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—



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- (1) As reported in the 2007-08 - 2009-10 Annual Reports for the Roads and Traffic Authority, could the Minister provide a breakdown of the following subsections of the financial statements section and the associated costs for both:
  - (a) Fleet hire and lease charges;
  - (b) Travel and legal expenses?
- (2) Should these subsections not cover the costs of (i) lease (ii) purchase (iii) registration (iv) maintenance (v) fines and (vi) any other related expenses incurred in providing vehicles for RTA employees, could the Minister provide the associated costs for the aforementioned items (broken down per item, per financial year from 2007-08 to date)?

12894 RTA TRAVEL TIMES COMPETITION—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

In regards to the competition that offers a \$10,000 prize to the person who can develop a system that estimates and displays travel times on the M4 motorway:

- (1) What is the total administration cost of the competition?
- (2) Will the competition be advertised?
  - (a) If so, through which mediums?
  - (b) What is the cost of the planned advertising?
- (3) What are the dates for:
  - (a) the opening and closing of the competition;
  - (b) the selection of the winner;
  - (c) the implementation of the winning system?
- (4) Why has the RTA not used existing technology currently being trialled on the F3?
- (5) Has the RTA considered accessing technology currently used by VicRoads?
- (6) What are the grounds for opening the competition to the public and offering a cash prize?
- (7) Has an analysis been conducted on the effectiveness of a public competition compared to a private tender?

12895 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

I refer to the Minister's acknowledgement to me (reference ISWIO/2083) and ask when will the Minister reply to my letter to him dated 24 September 2010, and follow up letter dated 22 November 2010 on behalf of Mr and Mrs Field concerning bushfire protection concerns at Tarbuck Bay?

12896 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

I refer to the Minister's acknowledgement to me (reference iSW10/2194) and ask when will the Minister reply to my letter to him dated 30 September 2010, and follow up letter dated 22 November 2010 on behalf of the South Burgess Road Bushfire Residents' Group concerning the 25 metre Asset Protection Zone (APZ) in Burgess Road, Forster?

12897 FORSTER/TUNCURRY BRIDGE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Is the handrail on the Tuncurry side of the Forster/Tuncurry Bridge missing?
- (2) If so:
  - (a) When was it reported missing?
  - (b) Who reported it missing?
  - (c) Have temporary repairs been made?
  - (d) When were temporary repairs made?
  - (e) Why were temporary repairs made instead of final repairs?
- (3) When will final repairs be made?
- (4) What are the dangers inherent in relation to the present condition of the walkway arising out of the missing handrail?

12898 STANDARD FUEL—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Premier, and Minister for Redfern Waterloo—

In relation to Regular Unleaded (Standard) fuel no longer being available from July 2011:

- (1) Is New South Wales the only state in Australia to stop this type of fuel being sold?
- (2) Does E10 petrol cause damage to any type of vehicle manufactured prior to 1986?

(3) What type of fuel and precautions should the owners of vehicles made prior to 1986 use?

12899 MOTORCYCLES EXCLUDED FROM BUS LANES ON THE M2—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Did the Minister for Roads receive correspondence from a Mr Gardener in November 2009 who made enquiries as to the reason why motorcycles are excluded from the bus lane on the M2?
- (2) Was a response to this letter sent in February 2010 which stated: "Road safety audits of the Bus Only and Taxi Lane on the M2 Motorway have shown that having motorcycles entering and leaving the lane would present an unacceptably high risk hazard to the motorcyclists and the buses and taxis. This view is shared by the bus companies and their drivers"?
- (3) Was a Freedom of Information request lodged in February 2010 requesting the road safety audits provided in the response?
- (4) Did the response to the Freedom of Information request (FOI Ref No. 2010fi0374) state there are no road safety audits that show having motorcycles entering and leaving the lane would present an unacceptably high risk hazard to the motorcyclists and the buses and taxis?
- (5) If so, does the response to the Freedom of Information request contradict the response provided to Mr Gardener?
- (6) Was correspondence received by the Minister in May 2010 asking, that in the absence of safety audits arising from the response to the Freedom of Information request, why motorcyclists are excluded from using the M2 bus lane?
- (7) Did the CEO of the RTA state in response to further correspondence in document M10/3253 in relation to the exclusion of motorcyclists from the M2 bus lane, " feedback from the bus drivers using the M2 Motorway consider the ingress and egress of motorcycles into and out of their lane an unacceptably high risk to buses and motorcycles"?
- (8) Did the response to a Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW) (GIPA Act) request in July 2010 (application 10-11G00361) for correspondence related to motorcycles in the M2 Bus Only and Taxi lane, which requested the feedback from bus drivers using the M2 Motorway state: "There are no documents available in the Motorway Management Branch providing any feedback from the bus drivers. The only advice that was received by the RTA was verbal advice through Hills M2 Operators, who has had discussions with bus companies and bus drivers using the M2 Motorway"?
- (9) If the answer to question (8) is yes, why has this decision been made on hearsay?