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*1813 INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION—BUDGET ALLOCATION—Mr Richard Amery asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What is the current budget allocation for the running of the Independent Commission Against Corruption?
- (2) How does this budget compare to each of the past five years?
- (3) (a) Has the Independent Commission Against Corruption applied for extra funding for the coming financial year?
(b) If so, what is the basis for this request?

Answer—

(1) and (2) Information regarding the budget of the Independent Commission Against Corruption is published in the Budget Papers.

(3) The State Budget for 2012-13 will be delivered by the Treasurer on 12 June 2012. The State Budget will appropriate funding for the Independent Commission Against Corruption to exercise its functions.

*1814 HURSTVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING WORKS—Ms Cherie Burton asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the current status of the Hurstville Primary School building works?
- (2) What is the estimated total cost of the project?
- (3) What is the total number of buildings to be built?
- (4) When will these works be completed?

Answer—

(1) The project is in the design phase.

(2) The forecast cost of the project is commercial-in-confidence, as releasing the costing may affect tender pricing.

(3) One new building consisting of 10 classrooms will be constructed and another classroom building will be refurbished. In addition, the school's administration building will be refurbished and extended.

(4) The project is expected to be completed in December 2013.

*1815 KOGARAH INTERCHANGE PROJECT—Ms Cherie Burton asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What is the current status of the Kogarah Interchange project?
- (2) When will the Kogarah Interchange project be completed?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The Kogarah Transport Interchange upgrade was opened to the public in early April 2012.

*1816 ST GEORGE HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT REDEVELOPMENT—Ms Cherie Burton asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What is the current status of the \$30 million St George Hospital Emergency Department redevelopment?
- (2) When will this project begin?
- (3) When is this project due to be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) to (3) The St George Emergency Department redevelopment is a \$35.5 million capital works project, as announced in Budget Paper 4 2011-12.

The project is currently in the Design Development phase, which is due to be completed by June 2012.

The first component of early works commenced on site in March 2012.

Construction is expected to commence in late 2012, with completion projected for 2014.

*1817 WARRELL CREEK TO URUNGA PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—Mr Robert Furolo asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With regards to the review of an alternative route for the 8-kilometre section of the Warrell Creek to Urunga Pacific Highway upgrade:

- (1) Why was the original February deadline for the release of the report changed?
- (2) Has the report been completed?
- (3) When will the report on the review be publically released?
- (4) What was the cost of the review?
- (5) How much money has been spent, to date, on land acquisitions for this section of the Pacific Highway upgrade?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) needed additional time to ensure that all feedback from the community was carefully considered and all related field investigations were undertaken.
- (2) and (3) No. On 27 March 2012 RMS released a draft technical review of an eight kilometre alternative route for a section of the Warrell Creek to Nambucca Heads upgrade, which is available to the community for comment until 20 April 2012. A final decision is expected in May 2012 after consideration of community comment.
- (4) The review is estimated to cost about \$400,000.
- (5) RMS has spent \$8.3 million to date on acquiring 20 of the 39 properties for the eight kilometre section.

*1818 FAIR GO FOR SAFE DRIVERS STRATEGY—Mr Robert Furolo asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With regards to the Coalition's election promise to introduce a "Fair Go For Safe Drivers" strategy:

- (1) When will the strategy be publicly released?
- (2) When will drivers who have a driving record free of an offence for at least five years have their licence renewal discounted?
- (3) By how much will licence renewal be discounted?
- (4) What other measures are in the "Fair Go for Safe Drivers" strategy to reward good behavior?
- (5) What measures are proposed in the strategy to punish bad behaviour?
- (6) How much does the strategy cost to implement?
- (7) If the strategy has not been released, when will it be released?
- (8) If the "Fair Go for Safe Drivers" strategy has not been developed, when will it be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The "Fair Go for Safe Drivers" policy will reward unrestricted licence holders who have a five year period of offence free driving, providing them with a 50 per cent discount off their driver licence renewal fee.

The Fair Go For Safe Drivers initiative will be available to all eligible unrestricted licence holders whose licence expires on or after 1 July 2012.

The NSW Government has many road safety initiatives, details of which can be found at www.rms.nsw.gov.au

- (2) On and from 1 July 2012 at the time the licence is renewed at an RMS motor registry.
- (3) 50 per cent discount of the licence fee will apply regardless of whether the licence is renewed for one, three or five years.
- (4) As indicated in answer (1), the Fair Go For Safe Drivers policy is one which will reward good driving practices, and it is one of many initiatives to improve road safety in NSW.
- (5) As indicated previously, the Fair Go For Safe Drivers will reward good driving practices.
- (6) This information is available in the 2011–12 Budget Papers.
- (7) The incentive to reward good driving was announced as a pre-election commitment by the Government. The initiative also appeared in the 2011–12 Budget Papers.
- (8) See answer (7).

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*1819 IMPROVING ROAD SAFETY FOR YOUNG DRIVERS—Mr Robert Furolo asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With regards to the recommendations in the NSW Auditor-General's Report "Improving road safety: Young drivers" to further reduce risk-taking among young drivers:

- (1) What consultation has been undertaken in relation to recommendation (10) to investigate options to further strengthen sanctions for serious and repeat offenders?
- (2) What work has been done to implement the recommendation to research the feasibility of using psychological testing for novice drivers, particularly in respect to serious and repeat offenders?
- (3) What progress has been made in relation to recommendation (12) to provide more resources for speed and alcohol enforcement in regional and remote areas; enhance and extend speed enforcement activity in regional areas on light passengers and light commercial vehicles through use of point to point camera technology and mobile units; and increasing education and advertising campaigns in country areas to address the dangers of alcohol, speeding, fatigue and not wearing seat belts?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) As part of the Road Toll Response Package, a NSW Repeat Offender Strategy is being developed by the Centre for Road Safety. Its aim is to identify policy and program gaps and develop new initiatives for repeat offenders.

Preliminary planning and analysis has been conducted to profile repeat offenders and identify successful programs in Australia and overseas. Transport for NSW has consulted with Roads and Maritime Services and the Department of Attorney General and Justice to start early analysis. When planning and analysis is complete, further consultation with stakeholders will be take place to help develop the strategy.

Additionally, legislation has recently been passed in the NSW Parliament to broaden the vehicle sanctions scheme to include high level speeding and number plate confiscation. This proposal was developed by the Ministry for Police and Emergency Services, NSW Police and Transport for NSW in consultation with Roads and Maritime Services and the Attorney General's Department.

- (2) Transport for NSW and Roads and Maritime Services is carrying out further research in this area.
- (3) The key risk behaviours contributing to road crashes for all motorists, including young drivers under 25, are speeding, drink driving, the non-use of seat belts and driver fatigue. Education campaigns to address key risk behaviours, and attitudes of drivers are critical to safe driving and reducing road trauma. The Government has an ongoing commitment to deliver public education and campaigns on critical issues throughout New South Wales and will continue to do so.

*1820 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PROVISIONAL YOUNG DRIVERS—Mr Robert Furolo asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With regards to the recommendations for provisional licence drivers in the NSW Auditor-General's Report "Improving road safety: Young drivers":

- (1) What stakeholder organisations and groups will be consulted in relation to recommendation (6) to consider introducing night-time curfew driving restrictions for P1 drivers between 11pm and 5am on Friday and Saturday evenings and investigate the benefits of a similar curfew at other times?
- (2) Who will be consulted in relation to recommendation (7) to consider extending the current passenger restriction for P1 drivers so that they can carry no more than one peer passenger at any time?
- (3) In relation to recommendation (8) what measures have the RMS taken to advocate for all NSW Government agencies to only purchase light passenger vehicles with a five star ANCAP rating and light commercial vehicles with the best available ANCAP rating and specified safety features including Electronic Stability Control and head protecting airbags?
- (4) In relation to recommendation (8), how will the Government assess if there is improved access to safer second-hand vehicles?
- (5) What stakeholders have been consulted in relation to recommendation (9) that by June 2012 consider adding further safe driving elements to the Driver Knowledge Hazard Perception and Driver Qualification Tests?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The current Graduated Licensing Scheme has a night-time peer-passenger restriction for P1 drivers under the age of 25 from 11.00 pm to 5.00 am. The Auditor General has been advised that Transport

for NSW will not consider, at this time, introducing a night-time curfew for P1 drivers on Friday and Saturday evenings. As this has a potential significant impact on the mobility of young people. However Transport for NSW will continue to monitor the road safety research developments in this area.

- (2) In July 2007 a night-time peer-passenger restriction for P1 drivers under 25 years of age was introduced restricting that driver from carrying only one peer-passenger under 21 years of age. The restriction applies between 11.00 pm and 5.00 am.

The Auditor General has been advised that Transport for NSW will not consider extending current peer passenger restrictions at this time because of the potential significant impact on the mobility of young people for education and employment.

However, Transport for NSW will continue to monitor the causes of crashes of young people carrying peer passengers and will consider the social, economic, transport and road safety impacts of these types of restrictions, as well as issues of compliance and enforcement.

- (3) On 28 March 2012, the NSW Government Contract Reference Group (CRG) for Contract 653, Supply of Motor Vehicles, met to establish requirements for the next NSW Government fleet vehicle contract, which will take effect later in 2012 or early 2013 at the latest.

This group sets vehicle types and performance standards for emissions and safety for the supply contract. The CRG has agreed that the minimum standards for safety for passenger, styleside utility and SUV type vehicles will be 5 star ANCAP rated and for light commercial vehicles, will be 4 star ANCAP rated, but with electronic stability control, head protecting airbags, 3-point seat belts for all seating positions and emergency braking assistance mandatory.

These safety features provide improvements to the safety of the government fleet and will continue to support the safety needs of subsequent owners, including younger drivers, as they pass down through the NSW fleet. A big advantage of managing safer vehicles through the supply contract, rather than agency policy, is that vehicles are also purchased by local government and not for profit organisations using the NSW Supply Contract. This will mean that far safer vehicles will enter the NSW fleet, than would have via the NSW Government sector only.

- (4) Improved access to safer second hand vehicles will follow logically as major fleet users, such as government and commercial fleets, purchase safer vehicles.

The Australasian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP) provides buyers of new vehicles with independent safety ratings. This program commenced testing from 1993.

The NSW Government also contributes funding to the Used Car Safety Ratings Buyer's Guide. This guide provides buyers with safety ratings of 184 vehicle models in Australia and New Zealand, using crash data obtained from over 4 million vehicles involved in 'real world' crashes in Australia and New Zealand between 1996 and 2009.

- (5) Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) has conducted a preliminary review and confirmed the need to add further road safety elements to the Driver Knowledge Test, Hazard Perception Test, and Driver Qualification Test.

Transport for NSW will work with RMS and engage an education and safe driving expert to review all computer based licence tests and supporting educational materials with a view to making recommendations on potential enhancements. This review will be undertaken by 30 March 2013.

A program implementation plan will be developed and costed based on the findings and the recommendations of this review.

*1821 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEARNER DRIVERS—Mr Robert Furolo asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With regards to the recommendations for learner drivers in the NSW Auditor General's Report "Improving road safety: Young drivers":

- (1) What progress has been made in relation to recommendation (1) that by June 2012 determine if the requirement 120 hours of supervised practical experience remains appropriate?
- (2) Which organisations and stakeholder groups have been or will be consulted in relation to recommendation (1)?
- (3) Since October 2011, by how much has the attendance at educational workshops for learner driver supervisors increased?
- (4) How has the educational workshops for learner driver supervisors been extended?
- (5) How has the educational workshops for learner driver supervisors been extended?
- (6) How has communication and advertising initiatives for the educational workshops been improved?

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- (7) What progress has been made in relation to recommendation (2) that by 2013 additional support is provided to learner drivers from low socio-economic status communities and remote areas including subsidised professional instruction, access to mentors and suitable vehicles?
- (8) Which organisations and stakeholder groups will be consulted during the review of the speed restriction for learner drivers?
- (9) Will the Minister commit to following the advice of Centre for Road Safety in relation to the review of the speed restriction for learner drivers?
- (10) What progress is being made in relation to recommendation (5) to investigate variations in licence test pass rates between testing centres and by June 2013 address contributing factors?

Answer—

- (1) On 19 March 2012 I announced the establishment of a board of independent road safety experts that will develop the framework for a new course to give learner drivers the opportunity to become safer drivers. One of the considerations of the board will be that learner drivers who complete the safer driver course will have their log book requirement reduced.
- (2) The new board will consider the 120 hour requirement and it is expected to hold its first meeting in April. This board includes representatives from the NSW Police Force, Motor Accidents Authority, Youthsafe, Department of Education and Communities, Office of the Board of Studies, Transport for NSW, Aboriginal Affairs NSW and researchers with expertise in this area.

An advisory panel will support the board and provide presentations and advice to the board on issues that they see as relevant to the development of the Safer Drivers Course or support for learner drivers. The panel includes representatives from a range of interest groups including the Youth Action Policy Association, Youth Advisory Council, NRMA Motoring and Services and the Australian Driver Trainers Association.

- (3) The community-based "Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers" workshops have continued to be provided free across local government areas of New South Wales. The workshop program has now been expanded to specifically target rural and regional parents through delivery at high schools.

Since October 2011, 385 high schools were offered free school-based workshops for parents and 110 high schools have agreed to participate and invite parents to attend the school-based workshops. These workshops will take place during terms 2, 3 and 4 this year to align with school program delivery. Once the workshops are complete the participant numbers will be reviewed to determine how successful this approach has been.

- (4) The delivery of school-based workshops to supervisors of learner drivers will commence in April 2012 to align with the delivery of school programs. The program of school-based workshops provides the opportunity for an increased number of parents to access the workshops and to increase their understanding to provide more effective learner driver on road supervised driving experience.
- (5) Refer to answer (3)

- (6) A new communication plan with enhanced promotion and media coverage has been developed to target supervisors to increase attendance at the workshops with part of the budget allocated to advertising in Aboriginal media. The new campaign strategy will be implemented from 1 July 2012.

- (7) The board of independent road safety experts will also investigate options to assist learner drivers in remote, lower socio-economic and Aboriginal communities to meet learner logbook requirements.

- (8) The Auditor General recommended a review of the current speed restriction for learner drivers, with a view to increasing it to 90 km/h after six months of the learner licence period to ease the transition to unsupervised driving. The Centre for Road Safety is currently undertaking this review based on the potential road safety implications of this change.

As part of the review, key partners in the delivery of any changes, such as Roads and Maritime Services and NSW Police Force will be consulted.

- (9) The Centre for Road Safety is conducting a review as requested by the Auditor General, which is expected to be completed by 30 June 2012. The recommendations from this review will be considered in any decisions made in relation to speed limits for learner drivers.

- (10) Roads and Maritime Services has reviewed the pass rates for all testing centres. An intensive two day training program is being developed and will be conducted for identified testing officers. An updated monitoring program will be developed and skills enhancement workshops will continue to be provided for testing officers.

*1822 LITERACY AND NUMERACY TEACHERS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many new literacy and numeracy teachers, as promised in the Government's Literacy and

Numeracy Action Plan, have been appointed to schools in the Hunter?

(2) Which schools in the Hunter have received them?

Answer—

- (1) As a start to the Government plan to improve literacy and numeracy outcomes for our students, 50 Instructional Leaders will be appointed to public schools with the greatest need, including those in the Hunter, by the end of December 2012. The first 5 will be appointed by the end of May.
- (2) Additional teachers will be allocated to targeted schools in the lowest quartile of NAPLAN performance.

*1823 NSW TAFE SYSTEM—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Is the Government planning to privatise the NSW TAFE system?
- (2) If so:
 - (a) When will this occur and why?
 - (b) How will it benefit TAFE students and the community?

Answer—

- (1) The Government is committed to a very strong TAFE as the public provider of training in NSW. There are no plans to privatise TAFE.
- (2) Not applicable.

*1824 PUBLIC FUNDING OF NAVITAS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How much public funding is the Government providing to Navitas, the operators of the Newcastle International College?
- (2) If the Minister will not provide this information, why not?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) Navitas, the operator of the Newcastle International College, is not receiving Government funding through the Department of Education and Communities.

*1825 FOSTER CARERS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

- (1) How many families in the Hunter are foster carers?
- (2) By how much will their foster carer's allowance be reduced?

Answer—

- (1) As at 30 June 2011, there were 1,664 carer households in Hunter and Central Coast regions of the Department of Family and Community Services, Community Services. Of those, 588 were foster carer households and 1,076 were relative/kin carer households.
- (2) The Government is committed to reforming the Out-of-Home Care system to improve services for vulnerable children and young people. The transfer of children and young people in Out-of-Home Care to non government organisations is a key strategy of these reforms. As of 1 March 2012, the Government has negotiated common, consistent and fair prices with a wide range of non-government Out-of-Home Care service providers. The reforms to the Out-of-Home Care system, with a common unit price, mean that each NGO receives a standard payment for the care of each child and young person at a given level of need. Under previous Labor Governments, non-government service providers set the amount of financial support they provide to their carers. That does not change under the new reformed system.

*1826 SPORT AND RECREATION FUNDING IN WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

What is the allocated funding for Sport and Recreation in the electorate of Wallsend for 2011-12?

Answer—

Sport and Recreation does not allocate funding by electorate. All application based grant programs are independently assessed on merit against predetermined criteria and published guidelines. Information relating to successful 2011-12 grant applications is published on the Sport and Recreation website and in the Department's Annual Report.

*1827 SILVERWATER CORRECTIONAL FACILITY VISITATION BOOKINGS SYSTEM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- (1) Will the Attorney General respond to the email sent to him on 18 March 2012 by Pete Hancock concerning his attempt to visit an inmate at Silverwater Correctional Facility and his dealings with the visitation bookings system on 14 March 2012?

(2) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Parliamentary Secretary for Justice, the Hon. David Clarke MLC, has responded to Mr Hancock.
(2) Not applicable.

*1828 RESTRUCTURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many meetings have been held of the restructure implementation team for Correctional Services NSW?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 2 April 2012, there have been three meetings of the Restructure Implementation Team.

*1829 AMENDMENT TO MOTOR ACCIDENTS (LIFELINE CARE AND SUPPORT) ACT 2006—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) Will the Minister introduce an amendment to section 45 of the Motor Accidents (Lifeline Care and Support) Act 2006 to include two participant representatives on the Lifetime Care and Support Advisory Council?

(2) If so, when?

(3) If not, why not?

Answer—

The composition of the Lifetime Care and Support Advisory Council is currently under consideration.

*1830 JOHN MORONEY CORRECTIONAL COMPLEX DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

Has the Intensive Drug and Alcohol Treatment Program promised at the John Morony Correctional Complex for February 2012 commenced?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Intensive Drug and Alcohol Treatment Program commenced as scheduled with its first intake of 15 inmates on 27 February 2012, and a second intake on 12 March 2012. It is projected to receive a full complement of 64 inmates for Phase 1 of its implementation by the end of April 2012.

*1831 YOUTH ON TRACK PLANNING PROJECT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) What progress has been made on the production of the Youth on Track planning project?

(2) (a) Is it publically available?

(b) If so, where?

(c) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Consultations have been undertaken with a wide variety of stakeholders, within Juvenile Justice, with other key government agencies and with peak non-government and advocacy groups. There has also been extensive research into best practice evidence-based strategies and approaches to dealing with children who are offending or are at risk of offending. The project report is currently being finalised.

(2) (a) to (c) No. The report is not finalised.

*1832 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TASKFORCE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How many meetings have been held of the Government's professional services taskforce?
- (2) With whom have those meetings been held?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Professional Services Industry Action Plan Taskforce has met six times.
- (2) The taskforce has consulted with stakeholders from the engineering, legal, insurance and finance industries.

*1833 RETAIL LEASES ACT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

What action will the Minister take to overcome the consequences for the Retail Leases Act of the decision of the Court of Appeal in *Kim-Po Sor v. Fordham Laboratories Pty Ltd*?

Answer—

No action is contemplated in relation to this decision as it confirms the intention of section 68 of the Retail Leases Act 1994.

While the title of the section says that "matters must be submitted to mediation before proceedings can be taken", the substance of the section makes it clear that a matter must not be the "subject of proceedings" until after the matter has been submitted to mediation or the court is otherwise satisfied that mediation is unlikely to resolve the dispute or matter.

If proceedings could not be initiated prior to mediation, a court could not be satisfied that mediation would be unlikely to resolve the dispute or matter.

*1835 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL PLANNING COURT APPEALS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

- (1) Does the Minister's department monitor the number of court appeals against planning decisions of Liverpool Council?
- (2) Does the Minister's department monitor the number of court appeals against planning decisions of Liverpool Council in which council merely lodges a submitting appearance and does not defend the appeal?
- (3) Does the Minister or his department approve the practice of council regularly merely filing a submitting appearance on planning appeals and not defending their decision?

Answer—

- (1) Yes, the Department of Planning and Infrastructure compiles the annual Local Development Performance Monitoring Report from reporting by councils. The latest report was published in February 2012.

Liverpool City Council reported one court proceeding during the reporting period for 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011.

- (2) No.
- (3) These are issues for council and I understand this approach operated under the former Government as well.

*1836 APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE CLINICAL DIRECTOR—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Who is the qualified medical practitioner who has been appointed as the Executive Clinical Director?
- (2) What was the date of appointment in the:
 - (a) Central Coast LHD;
 - (b) Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD;
 - (c) Nepean Blue Mountains LHD;
 - (d) Northern Sydney LHD;
 - (e) South Eastern Sydney LHD;
 - (f) South Western Sydney LHD;
 - (g) Sydney LHD;
 - (h) Western Sydney LHD;
 - (i) Far West LHD;
 - (j) Hunter New England LHD;
 - (k) Mid North Coast LHD;

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- (l) Murrumbidgee LHD;
- (m) Northern NSW LHD;
- (n) Southern NSW LHD;
- (o) Western NSW LHD;
- (p) St Vincent's Health network;
- (q) Children's Hospitals network?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) Local Health Districts have incorporated the role of Executive Clinical Director in the most appropriate way for their local circumstances, either through the appointment of a single Executive Clinical Director or the sharing of that role amongst a number of senior medical practitioners.

*1837 NSW ABORIGINAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING FORUM—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regards to the Minister's commitment to convene a NSW Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing Forum in her first year of office;

- (1) On what date was the forum held?
- (2) In what location?
- (3) How many people attended?
- (4) How were the delegates chosen?
- (5) Was this forum by invitation only?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (5) The Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing Forum was held on 28 November 2011 at the Aboriginal Health College. Approximately 45 people attended the Forum, which was intended for senior health leaders.

The Forum was co-hosted by the Minister for Mental Health and the Minister for Healthy Lifestyles and the Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW. The invitation list was agreed upon in partnership between NSW Health and the Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council.

*1838 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many patients attended emergency departments in NSW in February 2012?
- (2) How many individual hits were recorded on the "Emergency Waiting Times" website in February 2012?
- (3) Have emergency department staff been given any directions as to how to answer patient questions about;
 - (a) this site;
 - (b) projected waiting times if they wish to come to an emergency department?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Ministry of Health publishes data on the number of patients attending Emergency Departments on a monthly basis at the end of each quarter. The most recent report is for the month of December 2011 and is available on NSW Health's website: <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/reports/reports.asp>
- (2) 7,742 page views were recorded for the month of February 2012.
- (3) The Emergency Wait website is an intuitive, easy to use online resource. It was designed to give patients the flexibility to search, autonomously, for information about Emergency Departments across the State. The website was publicised at the time of its launch and a prominent link to it appears on the NSW Health website. Emergency Department staff have often provided advice to community members who have contacted them about the number of people that may be waiting for care and can refer these callers to the site for updated information.

*1839 RENTAL BOND BOARD—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Minister for Fair Trading—

- (1) How much is the Rental Bond Board currently holding in money paid by tenants as rental bonds?
- (2) How much interest did the Rental Bond Board earn on this money in the year ended 30 June 2011?
- (3) What is the interest rate earned on rental bonds?
- (4) Does the Board pay interest to tenants when they redeem their bonds?

- (5) What is the interest rate currently paid on rental bonds?
- (6) (a) Does the interest paid on rental bonds cover the increase in CPI over the period the bond was held?
- (b) If no, does this mean that the tenant receives less in real terms than the amount of the original bond lodged?
- (7) How much money did the Board spend on administrative services in the year ended 30 June 2011?
- (8) How much money did the Board spend on grants in the year ended 30 June 2011?
- (9) What were these grants allocated to?

Answer—

(1), (2), (5), (7) to (9) Details of the Rental Bond Board are publicly available and are published in its annual report. The Annual Report 2010-11 is available at the NSW Fair Trading website www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au

(3) Interest is earned on daily bank balances and calculated each month. The average interest rate for the period was 4.65%. NSW Treasury Corporation interest for the Hour Glass Cash Facility was 5.37%. The interest rate for the Hour Glass Strategic Cash Facility was 5.58% per annum.

(4) The Rental Bond Board pays interest on rental bonds refunded to tenants at the end of a tenancy unless there is rent owing or damage to property.

(6) The interest paid on rental bonds is not linked to increases in the Consumer Price Index. Unless a landlord makes a claim on the rental bond, the tenant receives the same amount back as they paid at the beginning of the tenancy, plus any interest.

*1840 LEAF BLOWERS—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

- (1) Are leaf blowers widely used by local councils and strata cleaners to clear rubbish and other refuse from the streets?
- (2) Are there any regulations around the operating hours when these machines can be used?
- (a) If yes, what are these regulations?
- (b) If none, has there been any consideration given to introducing regulations around the operating hours of these machines?
- (3) Are there any regulations around noise limits on these machines?
- (a) If yes, what are these regulations?
- (b) If none, has there been any consideration given to introducing regulations around noise limits on these machines?
- (4) Are there any regulations around the purposes for which these machines can be used?
- (a) If yes, what are these regulations?
- (b) If none, has there been any consideration given to introducing regulations around the purposes for which these machines can be used?

Answer—

I provide the following details in response to your questions:

- (1) The Division of Local Government, Department of Premier and Cabinet, does not survey councils in New South Wales in relation to the use of leaf blowers.

I am not aware of any statistics or other reliable information that is otherwise available in relation to the number of councils in New South Wales that use leaf blowers to clear rubbish and other refuse from streets.

Strata cleaners do not fall under the responsibility of my portfolio and I am not able to provide the information requested.

- (2) The Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 and Protection of the Environment Operations (Noise Control) Regulation 2008 regulate the hours when leaf blowers may be operated.

I do not have responsibility for the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 or the Protection of the Environment Operations (Noise Control) Regulation 2008 and any questions involving that Act and those Regulations should be addressed to the Minister for the Environment.

- (3) See answer to question (2).
- (4) See answer to question (2).

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1842 DESTRUCTION OF ROOTY HILL POST BOX—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

1843 CAMPSIE AND BANKSTOWN POLICE COMMANDS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

*1844 CONTAINER DEPOSIT LEGISLATION—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

Noting that a great number of drink bottles were recovered from the Cooks River at the recent Clean Up Australia Day, does the Government have any plans to introduce container deposit legislation?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

The outcomes of the Packaging Impacts Consultation Regulation Impact Statement will be considered at a future meeting of the COAG Standing Council on Environment and Water.

1845 METRO M41 BUS SERVICE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—

*1846 REJUVENATION OF CARDIFF CBD—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

When will the Government commence the \$2.5 million rejuvenation of Cardiff CBD, a March 2011 election commitment?

Answer—

I am advised:

Funding of the rejuvenation of the Cardiff CBD is being provided under the Hunter Infrastructure and Investment Fund.

An offer of \$500,000 was made to Lake Macquarie City Council in January 2012 to allow construction to commence in 2011-12.

Lake Macquarie City Council advised that construction would not commence until a Cardiff CBD streetscape master plan was developed. After community consultation of the master plan last year, Lake Macquarie City Council has in March 2012 adopted the scheme for work and is now commencing the detailed design.

Funding of the \$2.5 million will be provided progressively to Lake Macquarie City Council as work proceeds.

*1847 VISIONCARE PROGRAM—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

- (1) Why has the Government cut the VisionCare program?
- (2) How will the elderly in the Hunter afford new spectacles?

Answer—

- (1) The Government has not cut funding to the Spectacles program, currently administered by VisionCare.

During the life of the Spectacles program over \$8 million was taken from the Community Services budget to plug the gap. This meant that there was less in the budget to allocate to other programs including out-of-home care, which supports vulnerable children and young people who, for their safety, have been removed from their homes.

The Spectacles program budget of \$4.4 million this financial year was exhausted at the end of February 2012. Government must live within its Budget just like any family or business. Government programs must be financially sustainable. That is why the Government decided to keep the Spectacles program to its budget.

The recipients of the Spectacles program are worthy people, but so are vulnerable children and

young people in out-of-home care and other Community Services programs.

The Government was not prepared to keep taking the Spectacles program's overspend from the Community Services budget and programs for vulnerable children as Labor did in government.

- (2) Funding for the program will be available from 1 July 2012 when people will be able to again apply for spectacles.

1848 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND PROJECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

1849 INTERIM AUDIT COMMISSION REPORT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*1850 DIAGNOSTIC ULTRASOUND TRAINING POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many diagnostic ultrasound training positions exist in the NSW public hospital system?
(2) Are there any plans to expand this number?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Local Health Districts determine staffing needs, including any required training positions to support clinical services based on service planning. Local Health Districts have advised of support for 15 diagnostic ultrasound training positions during 2012.

1851 COCHLEAR IMPLANTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

1852 GROMMET SURGERY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

1853 OPERATING THEATRES AT WESTMEAD HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*1854 MEMORIAL DRIVE NOISE LEVELS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the concerns of residents in Thompson Street, Woonona about noise levels from Memorial Drive?
(2) (a) Does the Minister have any short or long-term plans to try and reduce this noise level?
(b) If so what are these plans?
(c) If not, why?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Three residents from Thompson Street, Woonona have contacted Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) about noise levels from Memorial Drive since it was opened to traffic.
(2) (a) to (c) A specialist noise consultant was engaged by RMS to conduct post opening road traffic noise monitoring in accordance with the Conditions of Approval for the project. The noise monitoring was conducted in December 2010 at seventeen locations along the road from near Bellambi Lane to the Princes Highway near Molloy Street.

The three residents who have raised concerns have had noise monitoring conducted at their homes in March 2010, December 2010 and October 2011 respectively.

All reports provided by the noise consultant concluded that the measured road traffic noise levels for Memorial Drive are consistent with the predicted noise levels presented in the detail design assessment and meet the Conditions of Approval for the project.

1855 ILLAWARRA ORTHOPAEDIC SERVICES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

1856 MINISTERIAL ADVISORY GROUP ON LITERACY AND NUMERACY REPORT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 1857 FAIRY MEADOW DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL PRE-SCHOOL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1858 PARK AND TRAVEL SAFETY FUND—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1859 WHIPPING OF RACE HORSES—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

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- 1860 MOUNT DRUITT DENTAL CLINIC—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1861 COAL SEAM GAS MINING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 1862 COOK CHILL FOOD PREPARATION SERVICES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1863 HOSPITAL SECURITY BREACHES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1864 PUBLIC HOLIDAY RETAIL OPENING HOURS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1865 DENTAL WAITING LISTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1866 GRETA BRANXTON AREA HIGH SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1867 CESSNOCK TRACK GREYHOUND RACING AND MEETINGS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1868 GREYHOUND RACING NSW—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- *1869 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF FORMER JAMES HARDIE FACTORY SITE—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

Given that twelve days are left for residents to make submissions, will the Minister intervene to extend the public exhibition period for the proposed development of the former James Hardie factory site in Camellia to ensure the community can have their say?

Answer—

The Remondis Alternative Waste Treatment Facility is a project taken in for consideration by the former Government under Part 3A.

Whilst the Government revoked Part 3A, the "Remondis" facility is in the tail of the former Government's Part 3A applications and will be considered under transition provisions with one vital difference that it will be considered not by a Minister but rather by the independent Planning Assessment Commission.

After the Government was elected consideration was given to allowing all possible public consultation. As a result:

- (a) The Remondis Alternative Waste Treatment Facility proposal was placed on an extended 6 week exhibition period from Thursday 23 February 2012 until Tuesday 10 April 2012.
- (b) I directed the department to continue to accept submissions from the community up until it finalises its assessment of the proposal.

- 1870 HOUSING NSW MAINTENANCE CALLS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- 1871 INTER HOSPITAL PATIENT TRANSPORT—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1872 EMERGENCY PATIENT SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1874 DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOMS IN BANKSTOWN SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1875 SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITY GRANTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 1876 RETAIL TRADING AMENDMENT BILL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1877 PROTECTING CASUAL WORKERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1878 SOCIAL IMPACT OF RETAIL TRADING AMENDMENT BILL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1879 SECTOR CONNECT—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 1880 SECTOR CONNECT FUNDING APPLICATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 1881 NEW RECRUITS FOR BANKSTOWN LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 1882 WILBERFORCE ABATTOIR—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1883 WILDERNESS VALUES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- *1884 EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOUSING NSW TENANTS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Given the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare's National Social Housing Survey findings that social housing tenants' education levels are lower than the general population, and they are six times more likely to be unemployed than the general population?

- (1) How does Housing NSW provide or support employment opportunities for tenants?
- (2) How does Housing NSW support jobs on its construction, maintenance and repair projects being allocated to social housing tenants in order to help them get into employment?
- (3) How does Housing NSW provide or support education and vocational training opportunities for tenants?
- (4) How does Housing NSW inform tenants about opportunities for training and work?
- (5) How does Housing NSW work with Centrelink and Job Network providers to help tenants get into work?
- (6) How does Housing NSW work with other Government agencies to help provide jobs through Government projects?
- (7) What further strategies will the Government use to improve tenants' opportunities through education and employment?

Answer—

(1) to (3) Housing NSW supports a range of capacity building and training for social housing tenants living in a number of social housing areas. For example, Housing NSW also supports the education of young people living in social housing through the Youth Scholarships program.

The NSW Land & Housing Corporation, which is responsible for the maintenance of public housing properties, provides opportunities for tenant employment through its maintenance contracts.

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(4) to (7) Housing NSW communicates with tenants about learning and employment opportunities through a range of mechanisms, including newsletters, tenant engagement activities and neighbourhood centres.

Housing NSW collaborates with a range of services to support economic participation by tenants and also collaborates with other Government agencies on capacity building, and learning and employment projects.

Commonwealth funded employment services are responsible for assisting unemployed social housing tenants in finding work. The NSW Government works with Commonwealth funded services, the non Government and private sector in order to support greater economic participation by social housing tenants.

*1885 INNER CITY CHILDCARE—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

With respect to inner city childcare and noting dramatic increases in the number of families with babies and small children in the inner city:

- (1) What data does the Government have about current and predicted numbers of children in the inner city?
- (2) What data does the Government have about current and predicted childcare demand for:
 - (a) long day care for 0-2 year olds;
 - (b) long day care for 2-3 year olds;
 - (c) long day care for 3 year olds up to school age children?
- (3) How does the Government assess childcare needs for individual localities across the inner city and what does this assessment show about local childcare needs?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to provide or support increased childcare services for under 2 year olds in the inner city?
- (5) What plans does the Government have to provide or support childcare services for under 2-3 year olds in the inner city?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to provide or support childcare services for under over 3 year olds in the inner city?

Answer—

As responsibility for child care services has been transferred to the Department of Education and Training, this matter should be redirected to the Minister for Education for a response.

1886 EASY ACCESS RAILWAY STATIONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—

*1887 KINGS CROSS RAILWAY STATION—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Transport—

With respect to the poor condition of Kings Cross Railway Station:

- (1) What work is already programmed for improving safety and amenity at Kings Cross Railway Station?
- (2) What further plans does the Government have to improve safety and amenity at this station?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) The Government is committed to improving safety across the transport network. On 14 February 2012, the Premier, Minister for Police and I announced that the NSW Police Force will take over security for the entire public transport network under a new dedicated Police Transport Command.

The new command will see 610 dedicated police officers allocated to patrol trains, buses and ferries. 150 transit officers will focus on detecting fare evasion and minor compliance offences and their patrols will be expanded to cover buses and ferries.

This important measure builds on our \$40 million Park and Travel Safety fund to further improve CCTV on station platforms, on trains and in car parks; improve lighting in and around train stations; and increase help point reliability.

1888 DEATHS IN LICENSED BOARDING HOUSES—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

1889 ROUNDABOUT UPGRADE PROJECT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—

*1890 FAIRFIELD TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE FEASIBILITY STUDY—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport—

In reference to Question 1473:

- (1) What sort of feasibility study is currently being undertaken in relation to the Fairfield Transport Interchange?
- (2) Does the feasibility study concern the funding of the project?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) The NSW Government has announced an upgrade of the Fairfield Transport Interchange.

*1891 FAIRFIELD GW10 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING TRANSFERS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

In reference to Question 1573:

- (1) Can the Minister provide a numerical figure as to how many Department of Housing tenant transfers in the Fairfield GW10 area were transfers originating from outside the GW10 catchment area for the 6-month period ending 21 January, 2012?
- (2) What is the ratio of tenant transfers to the Fairfield GW10 area originating from outside the GW10 catchment area in comparison to transfers within the GW10 catchment area for the 6-month period ending 21 January 2012?

Answer—

- (1) Six Housing NSW tenants transferred from outside the Fairfield GW10 area.
- (2) One Housing NSW tenant transfer in every five was from outside the Fairfield GW10 area.

*1892 HOUSING PRIORITY ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS AT GW10—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

What is the current number of applications for Priority Assistance at the GW10 Fairfield Department of Housing office that have not been finalised after:

- (a) 3 months since it was submitted by the applicant;
- (b) 6 months since it was submitted by the applicant?

Answer—

- (1) The time taken to assess an application is determined by the complexity of the case and whether supporting documentation has been submitted or further information is required. There are some cases where applications can take 3 months to assess.
- (2) Nil.

1893 FAIRFIELD LOCAL AREA COMMAND POLICE NUMBERS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

1894 ASSISTED SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM IN FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—

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1895 PUBLIC TRUSTEE—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

*1896 PATRONAGE AND RANKING OF TRAIN STATIONS—Mr Robert Furolo asked the Minister for Transport—

In reference to patronage and the ranking of train stations in the electorate of Lakemba:

- (1) What is the daily and weekly barrier count for each of the following train stations:
 - (a) Wiley Park;
 - (b) Lakemba;
 - (c) Belmore;
 - (d) Riverwood;

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- (e) Narwee;
 - (f) Beverly Hills?
- (2) What is the ranking of each of the following train stations in relation to the daily and weekly barrier counts of train stations on the rest of the CityRail network:
- (a) Wiley Park;
 - (b) Lakemba;
 - (c) Belmore;
 - (d) Riverwood;
 - (e) Narwee;
 - (f) Beverly Hills?

Answer—

I am advised:

CityRail patronage data is available on the Bureau of Transport Statistics website.

- 1897 COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION GRANTS PROGRAM—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 1898 MULTICULTURAL ADVANTAGE GRANTS PROGRAM—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 1899 CONSTRUCTION OF TERMINAL 3—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1900 PLAN-IT YOUTH—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1901 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1902 POLICE TASER DEATH—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 1903 GLENDALE POLICE STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 1904 NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY SECURITY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 1905 PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE BACKLOG—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1906 JOHN HUNTER AND CALVARY MATER HOSPITALS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1907 JUDICIARY ACT NOTICE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1908 EXPERT PANEL ON MERGER OF TRIBUNALS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1909 SUBMISSION TO DISCUSSION PAPER ON CONTRACT LAW REFORM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1910 SUBMISSION TO DISCUSSION PAPER ON CONTRACT LAW REFORM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1911 JUDICIAL COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1912 BAIL ACT REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1913 INVESTIGATION INTO CONSTRUCTION SITE DEATH—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- 1914 COMMUNICATIONS WITH LEIGHTONS AND PERFORMS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1915 WRONGFUL DETENTION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- *1916 COST FORECAST FOR WYNYARD STATION AND PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN TUNNEL—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Treasurer—
- (1) What is the updated cost forecast for the proposed Wynyard pedestrian tunnel?
 - (2) What is the updated cost forecast for associated costs relating to any planned expansion of Wynyard Station?
 - (3) What is the updated cost forecast of any planned modifications to Wynyard Station to handle the increased flow of people through the proposed Wynyard tunnel?
- Answer—
These questions would be more appropriately directed to the Minister for Transport.
- *1917 BARANGAROO DELIVERY AUTHORITY—VALUE SHARING PAYMENTS—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Treasurer—
- (1) What is the updated cost forecast for the headland park at Barangaroo?
 - (2) What is the estimated revenue that the Barangaroo Delivery Authority will receive as value sharing payments for the Barangaroo development?
 - (3) How is the Barangaroo Delivery Authority calculating value sharing payments?
 - (4) What is the current real value of the value sharing payments?
 - (5) What payments is the Barangaroo Delivery Authority budgeting to receive after 31 March 2018?
- Answer—
These questions would be more appropriately directed to the Premier.
- 1918 CAPACITIES OF WYNYARD STATION AND PROPOSED WYNYARD TUNNEL—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1919 SCHOOL HAND WASHING FACILITIES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 1920 LIMITED TENURE OF GRAVE SITES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1921 PENALTIES AND DETERRENTS FOR CRIMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1922 NEPEAN HOSPITAL TELEHEALTH TECHNOLOGY CENTRE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1923 NSW PAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1924 COMMUNITY-BASED ADDICTION PROGRAMS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1925 COMMUNITY PHARMACIES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1926 PREVENTATIVE HEALTH FIGHTING FUND—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1927 BLUE MOUNTAINS HOSPITAL MATERNITY UNIT—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 1928 CHRONIC HEPATITIS B—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1929 INCLUSION OF DENTAL HEALTH IN THE SEVERE CHRONIC DISEASE MANAGEMENT PLAN—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1930 WESTMEAD HOSPITAL EXPENDITURE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1931 SYDNEY RECORDS CENTRE—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- *1932 ELECTRICITY DISCONNECTIONS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- How many homes in the electorate of Keira had their electricity disconnected in the last 12 months?
- Answer—
- Information regarding residential disconnections is available in the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal report "Electricity retail businesses' performance against customer service indicators in NSW - Electricity Information Paper January 2012".
- 1933 PETROLEUM EXPLORATION LICENCES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 1934 PETROLEUM EXPLORATION LICENCES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1935 HOUSING NSW WAITING TIMES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 1936 BREAKDOWN LANES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1937 MONITORING OF CESSNOCK CITY COUNCIL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- 1938 CESSNOCK GAOL EXTENSION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1939 KURRI KURRI PRESCHOOL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1940 KURRI KURRI HOSPITAL REHABILITATION FACILITIES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1941 KURRI KURRI TAFE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 1942 FLYING FOX COMMUNITIES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1943 GREYHOUND RACING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1944 NSW WINES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1945 RETAIL TRADE AMENDMENT BILL 2012—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1948 UPGRADE OF SYDENHAM STATION—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Transport—

*1949 STEEL SUPPLIES FOR NORTH WEST RAIL LINE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport—

In relation to the report in The Daily Telegraph on 4 April regarding the North West Rail line:

- (1) What percentage of the 70 000 tonnes of steel needed will be Australian Steel?
- (2) What percentage will be by BlueScope Steel in the Illawarra?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) The procurement process for the material required to build the North West Rail Link has not started.

The procurement process will be done in accordance with NSW Government guidelines.

1950 TRANSPORT MASTER PLAN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—

1951 INDIGENOUS YOUTH PARTICIPATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—

1952 SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

1954 REVIEW OF STRATA AND COMMUNITY SCHEME LAWS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—

1955 BASS HILL SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—

1956 BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL PARKING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

1957 MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT IN PRIVATE SECTOR—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

1958 MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

1959 LOCAL SCHOOLS LOCAL DECISIONS—FUNDING—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

1960 LOCAL SCHOOLS LOCAL DECISIONS—PERFORMANCE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

1961 LOCAL SCHOOLS LOCAL DECISIONS—PERMANENT STAFF—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

1962 LOCAL SCHOOLS LOCAL DECISIONS—INCENTIVE TRANSFERS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

1963 LOCAL SCHOOLS LOCAL DECISIONS—SALARY INCREASES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

1964 REMOVAL OF GRAFFITI ON RAILCORP TRAINS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—

1965 POLICE RECRUITS TO FAIRFIELD LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

1966 CONFISCATED LICENCE PLATES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

1967 REGISTERING INFRINGING VEHICLES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 1968 GRASS AROUND ROADS IN FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1969 FAULTY LICENCE PLATES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1970 REPROVISIONING OF CRUISE SHIPS—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- *1971 WHITE BAY CRUISE SHIP TERMINAL—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Treasurer—
- (1) What is the latest estimate of the cost of moving the cruise ship terminal to White bay, including road works?
 - (2) Has there been any analysis into the cost of providing public transport to the city or any other locations for passengers who arrive into the cruise ship terminal at White Bay?
- Answer—
These questions would be more appropriately directed to the Minister for Roads and Ports.
- 1972 CONTAMINATION AT BARANGAROO—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- *1973 PAYMENTS BY LEND LEASE—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Treasurer—
- (1) What are the amounts and payment dates of Lend Lease fixed land payments for Barangaroo South?
 - (2) (a) What is the Government's estimate of the value share payments by Lend Lease at the end of the Barangaroo development?
(b) When do these payments fall due?
 - (3) What net present value did the Government ascribe to the total of the fixed payments and value share payments at the time of signing the Lend Lease contract?
 - (4) Is the Government giving Lend Lease development rights for part or all of Barangaroo Central to compensate for the loss of the hotel in the harbour?
 - (5) (a) What do the Lend Lease value share payments depend upon?
(b) What is the nature of the dependency?
 - (6) What net present value did the Government ascribe to the Lend Lease value share payments at the time of signing the Lend Lease contract?
- Answer—
These questions would be more appropriately directed to the Premier.
- 1974 LEND LEASE DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS FOR BARANGAROO CENTRAL—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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- 1975 ADOPTION BY SAME SEX COUPLES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- Since the introduction of laws permitting the adoption of children by same sex couples:
- (1) How many children have been adopted in this State?
 - (2) How many of those children were adopted by parents of the same sex?
 - (3) Of the children being adopted, how many of them were unknown to the adopting parents prior to the adoption being approved?
 - (4) Of the parents referred to in question (3) above, how many of these adopting parents were same sex couples?
- 1976 NEW LIFE NSW CAMPAIGN—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- (1) How much is the approved advertising budget for the Government's "New Life NSW" campaign to entice people to take up the Government's regional relocation grants?

- (2) How much has been spent on this campaign as at 22 February 2012?
- 1977 HUNTER STADIUM TRANSPORT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
Given the traffic congestion during sporting events at Hunter Stadium, what actions will the Government and Hunter Venues take to improve public transport to and from major events?
- 1978 CARERS IN THE ELECTORATE OF WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
How many full-time and part-time carers operate in the electorate of Wallsend?
- 1979 HUNTER DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
What support is the Minister providing to drug and alcohol services in the Hunter towards a world first trial to help people addicted to cannabis?
- 1980 HUNTER PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTIES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
Will the Minister increase the number of public housing properties in the Hunter, given that recent research indicates the community is waiting longer periods for social housing?
- 1981 LAKE MACQUARIE LOCAL AREA COMMAND—POLICE NUMBERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
Given that four new probationary constables will be allocated to Lake Macquarie Local Area Command, how many more police need to be allocated to Lake Macquarie to have the command at 100% capacity?
- 1982 YOUTH CRIME IN JESMOND PRECINCT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
In relation to youth crime in the Jesmond precinct:
(1) What steps is the Government taking to reduce youth crime in the area?
(2) Will additional police be employed to tackle this ongoing issue?
- 1983 FUNDS RAISED FROM SALE OF CARDIFF POLICE STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
Will the funds raised from the sale of the Cardiff Police Station go back into building the Glendale Police Station, as the Government has committed and demonstrated in the 2011-2012 budget?
- 1984 REPLACEMENT OF TRANSIT OFFICERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
Given that more than 450 Railcorp transit officers will be sacked and replaced by 300 new police officers, how will the shortfall of 150 officers be addressed?
- 1985 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO GARARD PTY LTD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
Since 27 March 2011 what financial assistance has been provided to Garard Pty Ltd operating at Warwick Farm and Liverpool?
- 1986 LICENSING OF SEX WORKERS AND BROTHELS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
(1) Does the Minister or the Government have any proposals to regulate, license or alter the regulation on licensing of sex workers and/or brothels?
(2) If so, when will such plans be released?
- 1987 SKILLS TRAINING AUSTRALIA GROUP PTY LTD—FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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- Since 27 March 2011, what financial assistance, in which categories and for what purposes has been provided by or on behalf of the Government and/or State agencies to Skills Training Australia Group Pty Ltd?
- 1988 SKILLS TRAINING AUSTRALIA GROUP PTY LTD—FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- Since 27 March 2011, what financial assistance, in which categories and for what purposes has been provided by or on behalf of the Government and/or State agencies to Skills Training Australia Group Pty Ltd?
- 1989 SUICIDE NUMBERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) (a) Does the Minister's department maintain statistics on the number of suicides last year?
 - (b) If so, where may the figures be accessed?
 - (2) Do records reveal whether the deceased were victims of sexual assaults?
- 1990 BUSINESSLINK REDUNDANCIES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- (1) How many redundancies are expected or planned for at Businesslink arising from the invitation for voluntary redundancies made on or about 20 April 2012?
 - (2) Does the Minister propose to merge Businesslink and ServiceFirst?
 - (3) Does the Minister propose to privatise the IT component or any other component of Businesslink or ServiceFirst?
- 1991 JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Will the Attorney General establish a Judicial Appointment Commission?
 - (2) If so, when?
 - (3) If not, why not?
- 1992 JOHN MORONY CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—INTENSIVE DRUG TREATMENT FACILITY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- In relation to the intensive drug treatment facility to be located in John Morony Correctional Centre:
- (1) What criteria will apply to those admitted to the facility/scheme?
 - (2) What is the shortest period of time a person will participate in the scheme?
 - (3) What is the projected average length of time a person will participate in the scheme?
 - (4) What is the projected average length of sentence for those who will participate in the scheme when they commence?
 - (5) What post-imprisonment monitoring and support are proposed for those who participate in the scheme?
- 1993 CUBIT PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- In relation to the CUBIT program running at Metropolitan Special Program Unit at Long Bay Correction Centre:
- (1) Why have funding cutbacks been imposed on this program?
 - (2) Why are participants in this scheme subjected to frequent lock downs and, on many days, allowed only 7.5 hours out of cells?
 - (3) Why are inmates classified C1 and C2 subjected to such a regime?
 - (4) Is such a regime likely to prevent the rehabilitative aims of the CUBIT program being achieved?
- 1994 JUDGEMENT BY MCLAUGHLIN ASJ—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- Has the Attorney General or his department responded to or taken any action in relation to the judgement by McLaughlin AsJ in the case of MacDonald v Public Trustee, delivered in the Supreme Court on 25 June 2010?
- 1995 PROSECUTIONS FOR OFFENCES UNDER SECTIONS 80D AND 80E OF CRIMES ACT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many prosecutions have there been in NSW courts for offences under sections 80D and 80E of the Crimes Act in the following periods:

- (a) 1 January 2009 to 31 December 2009;
- (b) 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010;
- (c) 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2011;
- (d) 1 January 2012 to date?

1996 AUSTRALIAN TERTIARY ADMISSION RANK—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Education—

With reference to confidentiality of reporting ATAR ratings of greater than ninety at Castle Hill High School in 2011 (Question 1764):

- (1) How is the Minister able to report increases as a percentage, "a 50% rate of ATAR scores of greater than 90 in 2011, a 100% increase on the previous year", yet not the actual numbers on which these reported percentages were based?
- (2) In view of this, how many individual students received an ATAR of greater than 90 at Castle Hill High in:
 - (a) 2010;
 - (b) 2011?

1997 SUICIDES AT STAR CASINO PREMISES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

With regards to suicides on the Star Casino premises:

- (1) How is the Government informed of suicides at the Star Casino?
- (2) How many suicides occurred at the Star Casino in:
 - (a) 2009;
 - (b) 2010;
 - (c) 2011?

1998 PUBLIC HOSPITAL DENTAL CARE SERVICE DELIVERY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

With regards to public hospital dental care service delivery:

- (1) Which areas are the responsibility of the Minister for Health?
- (2) Which areas are the responsibility of the Minister for Healthy Lifestyles?

1999 AUSTRALIAN VACCINATION NETWORK FUNDRAISING—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

- (1) Why has the Minister reinstated authority for charitable fundraising for the Australian Vaccination Network?
- (2) Have other reasons for declining such an authority, such as alleged fraud, been taken into account during his considerations to reinstate this charitable fundraising authority?
- (3) Given the questionable nature of the aims of this organisation, does the Minister have plans to further review their authority for charitable fundraising?

2000 MENTAL HEALTH BEDS AT CAMPBELLTOWN HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

With regards to the Minister's statement about the need for more mental health beds at Campbelltown Hospital (Macarthur Chronicle 16 April 2012):

- (1) What planning is underway to expand mental health services?
- (2) What funding enhancement is planned?
- (3) How many more beds are required?
- (4) When will the plans be released?
- (5) When did the Minister last visit:
 - (a) Waratah House;
 - (b) Gna Ka Lun Adolescent Mental Health Unit?

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2001 PLANNED MENTAL HEALTH UNIT—SHOALHAVEN HOSPITAL SITE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

With regards to the planned Mental Health Unit on the Shoalhaven Hospital site:

- (1) When will construction start?
- (2) What is the total cost?
 - (a) How much of this is funded by the Federal Government?
 - (b) How much of this is funded by the NSW Government?
- (3) How many beds will be created?
- (4) When is the unit planned to open?
- (5) When did the Minister for Mental Health last visit the site?

2002 COAL SEAM GAS MINING—HEALTH EFFECTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What investigations have been carried out by NSW Health with regards to the possible population health effects of coal seam gas (CSG) mining?
- (2) What studies are planned?
- (3) In future, will NSW Health provide submissions into the possible health effects of CSG mining, when they are called for as part of the development application process for new exploration or mining leases?

2003 GUNNING WATER SUPPLY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What investigations have been undertaken by NSW Health into the safety of the water supply at Gunning?
- (2) How are water borne infections in the Gunning area monitored by NSW Health?
- (3) Have there been any notifications of Giardia or Cryptosporidium in the area around Gunning in the 12 months from April 2011 to April 2012?
- (4) Has there been an increase in any notifications of other diseases that may be attributable to contamination of the water supply?
- (5) Are studies by NSW Health of the health of the people of Gunning planned because of their concerns about the safety of their water supply?

2004 MOOREBANK INTERMODAL TERMINAL—HEALTH EFFECTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What investigations have been carried out by NSW Health with regards to the health effects of the planned Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank?
- (2) Are any future studies planned?
- (3) Will NSW Health be making submissions to the environmental review as part of the approval process for this terminal, specifically in regards to concerns about air quality and noise pollution?

2005 HOUSING NSW MAINTENANCE ISSUES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) How many outstanding Housing NSW maintenance issues are there in the electorate of Bankstown?
- (2) What is the average waiting period for Housing NSW to address maintenance issues?

2006 WYNYARD STATION UPGRADE AND TUNNEL CONSTRUCTION—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the proposed Wynyard upgrade and the construction of the Wynyard tunnel handle the current Wynyard pedestrian load plus the additional load arising from the proposed Barangaroo development?
- (2) Does the government have any plans to provide public transport to Barangaroo if Wynyard Station is found to be incapable of handling the additional commuters generated by Barangaroo?

2007 COST TO RECONSTRUCT HEADLAND AND COVES AT BARANGAROO—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What is the current estimate of the cost to reconstruct the headland and coves and to partially demolish the seawall at Barangaroo?

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- (2) (a) Are the coves and the area between the seawall and the headland defined as public space?
(b) If not, how are these areas defined?
- (3) (a) Are the coves and the area between the seawall and the headland accessible to leisure boats?
(b) If so, how will this be managed?
- (4) (a) Are the previously designed deep water coves now shallow ornamental concrete ponds inaccessible to leisure to boats?
(b) If not what is the makeup of these areas?
- (5) What is the amount of public space at Barangaroo excluding the coves and area between the seawall and the new headland?
- (6) What is the ratio of public space to the total area of Barangaroo?
- (7) (a) Has consideration been given to delaying construction of the headland and coves until Barangaroo Central and Barangaroo South are finished and the headland becomes more accessible?
(b) If so, were there potential cost savings identified and if so how much?
- 2008 PAYMENTS TO SYDNEY HARBOUR FORESHORE AUTHORITY—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Treasurer—
- (1) How much was paid by Lend Lease to Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority as an upfront one-off fee for the 99-year lease of Darling Quarter?
- (2) What are the annual land lease fees payable this financial year for the car park, bus terminus and the offices at the Macquarie Bank site?
- (3) What amount was paid by the developer for the 99-year lease of the KPMG site?
- 2009 COMMUTER CRIME UNIT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- In relation to the Government's plan to abolish Railcorp Transit Officers, when will all 300 police officers earmarked for the Commuter Crime Unit be activated?
- 2010 VISIONCARE PROGRAM—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- How many people living in the electorate of Fairfield were provided with glasses under the VisionCare program in the 2010-11 period?