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*6903 STATE OWNED CORPORATIONS ACT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) How many directions have been issued to State Owned Corporations (SOCs) since March 2015 (to 17 October 2017) under section 20N of the State Owned Corporations Act?
 - (a) Which SOCs have these directions been issued to?
 - (b) What is the cost of each of these directions?
 - (c) When was each direction issued?
- (2) How many directions have been issued to State Owned Corporations (SOCs) since March 2015 (to 17 October 2017) under section 20P of the State Owned Corporations Act?
 - (a) Which SOCs have these directions been issued to?
 - (b) What is the cost of each of these directions?
 - (c) When was each direction issued?

Answer—

- (1) There have been no directions issued to State Owned Corporations since March 2015 (to 17 October 2017) under section 20N of the State Owned Corporations Act.
- (2) There have been three directions issued to State Owned Corporations since March 2015 (to 17 October 2017) under section 20P of the State Owned Corporations Act. Directions under 20P are required to be published in the New South Wales Government Gazette.

*6904 ESTIMATED JOURNEY TIMES FOR NEW TIMETABLE—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) What is the time in minutes between the following locations after the introduction of the new rail timetable on 26 November 2017:
 - (a) Westmead Station and Town Hall:
 - (i) Average;
 - (ii) In morning peak hour;
 - (iii) At 12 noon;
 - (iv) In afternoon peak hour?
 - (b) Granville Station and Town Hall:
 - (i) Average;
 - (ii) In morning peak hour;
 - (iii) At 12 noon;
 - (iv) In afternoon peak hour?
 - (c) Merrylands Station and Town Hall:
 - (i) Average;
 - (ii) In morning peak hour;
 - (iii) At 12 noon;
 - (iv) In afternoon peak hour?
 - (d) Guildford Station and Westmead Station:
 - (i) Average;
 - (ii) In morning peak hour;
 - (iii) At 12 noon;
 - (iv) In afternoon peak hour?
 - (e) Granville Station and Katoomba Station:
 - (i) Average;
 - (ii) In morning peak hour;
 - (iii) At 12 noon;
 - (iv) In afternoon peak hour?
 - (f) Merrylands Station and Campbelltown Station:
 - (i) Average;
 - (ii) In morning peak hour;
 - (iii) At 12 noon;
 - (iv) In afternoon peak hour?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information about the new timetable is available on the transportnsw.info website.

*6905 MULTI-SENSORY STRUCTURED LANGUAGE TRAINING—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Which schools in the Illawarra have a teacher or teacher aides who have completed multi-sensory structured language training?
- (2) How often is training in multi-sensory structured language offered?
- (3) On average, how many teachers or teacher aides are trained per training session?
- (4) What is the cost of conducting a training course?

Answer—

(1) to (4) There is no significant body of research supporting the efficacy of multi-sensory structured language training. I'm advised, however, that the NSW Department of Education provides access to the Understanding Dyslexia and Significant Reading Difficulties course. This course is underpinned by a strong research evidence base.

This is a NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) registered professional learning course for school staff which is delivered through a blended learning model with tutor led workshops and study completed online with tutorial support.

The course extends teachers' knowledge and skills through a greater awareness and understanding of dyslexia and provides them with practical strategies to use in the classroom.

*6906 RAILWAY STATIONS—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How many railway stations are located:
 - (a) In New South Wales;
 - (b) Within the boundary of the Central Coast?
- (2) How many New South Wales railway stations have:
 - (a) A pedestrian footbridge;
 - (b) Easy Access lifts;
 - (c) Pedestrian level crossings?
- (3) How many Central Coast railway stations have:
 - (a) A pedestrian footbridge;
 - (b) Easy Access lifts;
 - (c) Pedestrian level crossings?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information regarding railway stations is available on the NSW TrainLink and Sydney Trains websites.

*6907 PUMPED HYDRO—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Are you aware of and have reviewed the recent Australian National University (ANU) report identifying possible sites for baseload power by using pumped hydro?
- (2) Will possible sites in the Illawarra region where a pumped hydro project could be constructed be investigated?
- (3) Will there be a partnership with the local council and the University of Wollongong to carry out this work?
- (4) Do you have a timeline on when this work will commence?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Yes, the Government is aware of the Australian National University's Pumped Hydro Energy Storage Atlas and is encouraged that the Atlas has identified 8,600 potential sites for pumped hydro energy storage in New South Wales, more than in any other state.

(2) The Government understands that the state needs to harness a diverse range of technologies to ensure energy a secure, affordable and clean energy future for New South Wales. This includes increasing the

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amount of dispatchable capacity in the system that is available on-demand to meet the state's evolving energy needs.

For this reason, the Government welcomes innovations in battery storage, pumped hydro, concentrating solar thermal power and other dispatchable technologies. However, the Government supports a private sector-led energy market and would look to industry to propose new projects in the Illawarra.

(3) The Government is unaware of any partnerships between the University of Wollongong and a local council regarding possible sites in the Illawarra region for pumped hydro projects. This is a matter for those organisations.

(4) This is a matter for those organisations.

*6908 VEHICLE SANCTIONS SCHEME—Mr Luke Foley asked the Attorney General—

How many of the seven individuals whose vehicles have been impounded since the inception of the Vehicle Sanctions Scheme (to 13 September 2017) and who have committed additional sanctionable offences (according to LA Q6481) have faced a forfeiture order?

Answer—

I am advised:

Court Services do not centrally collect data on vehicle impoundment and forfeiture orders.

An answer will be provided to the Member once the data has been collated.

*6909 SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN URBAN RENEWAL CORRIDOR STRATEGY—Ms Sophie Cotsis asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—

- (1) Why is the Government not funding critical infrastructure to support the population increases projected under the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy?
- (2) What transport improvements will be delivered to support the increase in local pedestrians, cyclists, buses and private cars?
- (3) What is the Government's plan to deal with congestion in town centres along the Corridor, including Hurlstone Park, Campsie, Belmore and Canterbury?
- (4) What is the Government's plan for north-south commuting for residents of the Corridor?
- (5) What is the Government doing to ensure that plans for new metro stations improve the structure of town centres along the Corridor?
- (6) Considering the Government's proposal to widen Stacey Street and realign the Loch Street, Ninth and Second Avenue intersection (marketed as the 'Campsie Bypass'):
 - (a) How much funding is the Government committing to the project?
 - (b) How and on what timeframe will the project be delivered?
- (7) What spaces has the Government identified for purchase as new open space in order to service the existing and proposed residents of Belmore and Campsie ?
- (8) What funding has the Government allocated for the purchase of land to create new neighbourhood parks in Belmore and Campsie ?
- (9) Does the Government plan to upgrade Canterbury Hospital to service additional population along the Corridor?
- (10) How much overall hospital funding will the Government allocate to service the additional population?
- (11) Has the Government identified sites for new ambulance stations, fire stations and police stations?
 - (a) How will site purchases and service provision be funded?
 - (b) When will the new services commence operation?
- (12) What new community facilities, particularly multicultural facilities, will the Government build to accommodate new residents of the Corridor?
- (13) With regards to new school and TAFE facilities along the Corridor, to accommodate population growth:
 - (a) How many new schools is the Government planning to build?
 - (b) What sites has the Government identified for new schools along the Corridor?
 - (c) How much funding has the Government allocated for new schools?
 - (d) Does the Government intend to build new TAFE facilities to service the population of the Corridor?
 - (e) What sites has the Government identified for new TAFE facilities?
 - (f) How much funding has the Government allocated for the construction of new TAFE facilities along the Corridor?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Strategy will help guide the delivery of development and infrastructure over the next 20 years. It will enable councils and other agencies to prioritise and coordinate future land use changes with the delivery of infrastructure.

A Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC) plan is being prepared and will be exhibited shortly identifying key regional and district infrastructure that will be funded by development along the Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor.

(2) The new Sydney Metro will shorten journey times and increase frequency along the Sydenham to Bankstown train line. A new active transport corridor incorporating pedestrian paths and cycle paths along the southern side of the rail line will be largely funded by the SIC. The SIC will also fund improvements and embellishments of open space destinations along this corridor. Selected road and bus upgrades have been identified in the draft Corridor Strategy and will be developed in consultation with Transport NSW. The SIC will contribute funding to bus priority measures between Parramatta and Bankstown.

(3) The Department of Planning is planning for new homes and jobs in close proximity to train services. Improvements to public transport, walking and cycling networks have also been identified.

The SIC will fund circulation improvements around Sydenham Station and also interchange improvements at Dulwich Hill.

(4) The SIC will fund part of the construction of the West Campsie Bypass and the widening of Stacey Street in Bankstown. Bus routes that need reviewing have been identified in the Strategy, and any improvements will be coordinated with Transport for NSW.

(5) The Department is working with Sydney Metro to ensure that the new metro stations are designed with a focus on place, connectivity and strong urban design principles. The Department has sought input from Councils and other agencies to ensure that the Sydney Metro project considers the context and character of the station precincts during its development.

(6) The funding allocation for specific projects under the SIC has been defined and will be released for public exhibition shortly. Decisions regarding the timing of delivery will be made based on the pace of development.

(7) The Department has identified a number of strategies for open space improvements along the corridor:

- The 13 kilometre extension to the GreenWay providing walking and cycling connections between Sydenham and Bankstown with opportunities for small parks along the way. A masterplan for the GreenWay South West will accompany the release of the final Strategy.
- Large sites subject to planning proposals will be required to deliver new public open space within their sites.
- Upgrade and embellishment of existing open spaces at a district level to service the growth projected along the corridor. Marrickville Park and Cooks River Parklands in the Marrickville area, Tasker Park in Canterbury and Terry Lamb Reserve in Belmore have been identified for significant funding under the SIC to upgrade existing facilities.

(8) The Department will work with Canterbury Bankstown Council to identify areas for new parks in Belmore and Campsie in the next stage of planning for these precincts.

(9) Any upgrades to Canterbury Hospital will be determined by the Minister for Health.

(10) Hospital funding is a matter for the Minister for Health.

(11) The SIC identifies the need for a new police station and fire station in the corridor. The SIC will fund the acquisition of land for the new facilities and service provision will be funded through the normal operational budget of the relevant agencies.

(12) Community facilities are funded by local councils. The Department is committed to working with local councils to identify sites where new development resulting from the Corridor Strategy can incorporate new community facilities.

(13) The provision of new schools and improvements to existing schools is a matter for the Minister for Education.

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The SIC will allocate funding for school improvements to accommodate new primary and high school places along the corridor. The location and timing of these improvements will be determined by the Department of Education.

The Sydney Metro will provide TAFE students along the Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor with improved access to existing TAFE facilities at Bankstown and Ultimo.

*6910 UPGRADE OF CONCORD HOSPITAL—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) When will construction work start on Concord Hospital?
- (2) When will construction work on the upgrade of Concord Hospital be completed?

Answer—

Enabling works for the \$341 million Concord Hospital redevelopment Phases 1a and 1b are due to commence in December 2017.

Construction of a complex project of this size and nature can take several years to complete.

*6912 LOCAL AREA COMMAND MERGERS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

Noting recently announced plans for police Local Area Command mergers, can the Minister advise which Local Area Command the Beresfield-Tarro area will come under?

Answer—

I am advised:

Details of changes to specific commands as part of the re-engineering process will be announced in due course by the New South Wales Police Commissioner.

*6913 COMPUTER MARKING OF NAPLAN TESTS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

What steps will the Government take to ensure that computer marking of persuasive writing pieces in NAPLAN tests does not disadvantage students?

Answer—

The NSW Education Standards Authority – NESA - is currently responsible for the marking of the NAPLAN writing scripts for NAPLAN paper tests for all New South Wales students. The scripts are marked by expert teacher markers within New South Wales.

NESA will review all evidence regarding automated marking as it becomes available. This will ensure that any potential use of automated essay scoring does not disadvantage students.

*6914 ELECTRICITY PRICES IN THE WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

What steps is the Government taking to reduce the cost of power bills in the Wallsend electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

Access to reliable and affordable energy is a top priority for this Government.

The Government has implemented a range of measures to keep downward pressure on energy prices. These measures include the energy affordability package for households and businesses retail price deregulation, network reforms, and supporting the work that the Prime Minister and the Commonwealth Government are leading.

Energy Affordability

The Government announced a new energy bill relief package for households and small businesses across New South Wales. This package aims to help customers reduce their bills.

The Government has increased all rebates by 20 per cent, which will help about 900,000 customers who are finding things particularly tough. Under this package, the Low Income Household Rebate which is open to many concession card holders has increased from \$235 to \$285. The Family Energy Rebate has increased from \$150 per year to \$180 per year, and the Gas Rebate has increased from \$90 to \$110.

The increased rebates came into effect immediately. In addition, Newcastle/Wallsend residents may be interested to know that discounts to upgrade to energy efficiency appliances will be available from early 2018.

I am also pleased to advise that the Government has also taken action to abolish key fees and charges. Early termination fees will be abolished, along with fees for receiving paper bills and paying at Australia Post.

Deregulation

The Government deregulated retail electricity prices in 2014 and retail gas prices in July this year, and appointed IPART as the market monitor to ensure the electricity and gas markets remain competitive.

IPART has just released its draft market monitoring report.

It found that the Government's reforms have delivered increased competition and savings for households and businesses across New South Wales.

There are nine new retailers competing in the market since deregulation, giving customers more choice and increasing the potential to save money.

The market share of smaller retailers has increased from seven per cent to 13 per cent and the number of small customers on market offers has risen from 63 per cent to 77 per cent.

The increased competition has also driven more innovative products and better services. Retail electricity price deregulation was especially important for regional New South Wales residents, who once had no choice in their retailer and can now choose between multiple providers.

Network reforms

In addition to deregulating retail electricity and gas prices, the Government also undertook significant network reforms.

In 2015, this Government made a commitment that, as part of the lease of the New South Wales poles and wires, network charges will be lower in 2019 than they were in 2014.

This promise relates to network charges which make up nearly 50 per cent of a customer's bill.

These charges are being monitored by Professor Alan Fels, the NSW Electricity Price Commissioner, who oversees the implementation of the price guarantee.

I am pleased to say the New South Wales networks are meeting their price guarantee commitment.

The Government took action by implementing a network reform program. This is because network costs have been one of the main drivers for rising energy prices as a result of ensuring safe and reliable operation of the electricity network.

The latest IPART market monitoring draft report confirms that the Government's actions have resulted in a decrease in the network-component of annual electricity bills by an average of \$300 over the past four years.

This has helped to moderate the current increase in energy bills for households and businesses. IPART's draft market monitoring report confirmed that wholesale price rises are to blame for the recent increases in electricity prices. However, according to IPART, the increase in wholesale costs would have been much higher if not for the Government's network reforms.

Support for businesses

This Government recognises that higher energy prices also impact on businesses and divert valuable cash flow away from further investment and job creation.

In addition to the energy bill relief package, which includes \$30 million of funding for energy efficiency programs to help small businesses save energy and money, the Government is implementing a number of financial and technical assistance programs, such as the Energy Savings Scheme. The scheme provides financial incentives to businesses that implement electricity and gas saving activities.

Since 2009, the Scheme has delivered bill savings for businesses in excess of \$2.9 billion dollars and has supported a range of projects from lighting retrofits to upgrading chillers for cooling buildings.

The Government is also in the process of finalising its Climate Change Fund (CCF) Strategic Plan.

The draft CCF Strategic Plan consulted on investment priorities over the next five years and actions that will help New South Wales meet its net zero emissions goal.

This included \$400 million in new spending over five years on clean energy and energy efficiency

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measures.

6915 AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR CANNABINOID CLINICAL AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*6916 ONCOLOGY SERVICE AT THE CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many people are on the waiting list to access the oncology service at the Calvary Mater Hospital (as at 17 October 2017)?
- (2) How long is the average wait time for an appointment once a patient is referred to the service (as at 17 October 2017)?

Answer—

All patients on the Medical Oncology service at Calvary Mater Newcastle wait list have an appointment date scheduled.

Appointments are allocated according to a patient's clinical urgency.

*6917 DROUGHT ASSISTANCE TO AGRICULTURAL CONTRACTORS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What financial and other assistance is available to the many agricultural contractors in rural and regional New South Wales whose income is negatively impacted as a result of drought?

Answer—

This question should be directed to the Minister for Primary Industries.

*6918 VACANT BUILDING WHICH HOUSED NURSING STAFF AT ORANGE BASE HOSPITAL—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What is the Government's intention for the vacant building situated opposite the old Orange Base Hospital upon the intersection of Dalton and Sale Streets, Orange, which was formerly used for housing nursing staff?
- (2) Would the Government consider making this building available for converting its use to affordable housing to address community needs?

Answer—

I refer the Member to the media statement from Health Infrastructure dated 29 September – some 19 days before he asked this question.

*6919 SCHOOL BREAKFAST PROGRAM IN THE CHARLESTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many schools in the Charlestown electorate received funding as part of the School Breakfast Program in the 2016-17 financial year?
- (2) How many schools in the Charlestown electorate currently receive funding as part of the School Breakfast Program (as at 19 October 2017)?

Answer—

I'm advised that the NSW Department of Education does not collect this data centrally. School principals, in consultation with their local communities, make decisions about establishing programs like a school breakfast program.

Last month, the Government announced \$1.09 billion in needs based Resource Allocation Model (RAM) funding. This funding allows principals to decide on programs most appropriate for their community. Schools in the Charlestown electorate will receive more than \$9 million in RAM funding for 2018.

*6920 PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICES IN THE ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

Of the announced 8,600 new weekly public transport services across New South Wales starting from 27 November 2017, what are the specific new changes for public transport services in the Illawarra region?

Answer—

I am advised:

The new timetable comes into effect from Sunday 26 November 2017. The new timetable is principally focussed on Western Sydney metropolitan services with further iterations delivering flow-on uplift on other parts of the network.

Customers in the Illawarra have received an uplift in services prior to the new timetable. On the South Coast Line, this included 125 additional weekly express services in October 2013, additional carriages on services to help address crowding issues, making the majority of peak period services eight carriages long. In 2015, an additional five morning peak services were introduced and last year, timetable improvements introduced pick up only stops at Redfern, Wolli Creek, Hurstville and Sutherland on the 3.24pm and 3.54pm Central to Kiama services.

The new timetable sees the creation of a new bus service which will provide direct connections to the Shellharbour Town Centre for customers living in Tullimbar and Calderwood. Customers living in these areas will benefit from 150 new weekly services on this route. Further, the new timetable introduces 75 additional bus services on the popular 887 route between Campbelltown and Wollongong.

*6922 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS IN PORT KEMBLA OF THE SPOIL MANAGEMENT PROJECT—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Has the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) provided comment to Transport for NSW on the Spoil Management Project Review of Environmental Factors, for Port Kembla?
- (2) Did the EPA comments raise concerns about possible environmental impacts in Port Kembla of the Spoil Management Project?
 - (a) If so, what concerns were raised?
- (3) Did the EPA recommend steps to address these risks and impacts?
- (4) Did the EPA indicate support for this project?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Yes,
- (4) The Environment Protection Authority noted its support for the reuse of suitably classified spoil.

*6923 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OF EDUCATION PROJECTS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the estimated total cost for each of the following:
 - (a) Auburn North Public School Upgrade;
 - (b) Belmont High School Upgrade;
 - (c) Cammeraygal High School Senior Campus;
 - (d) Carlingford Public School Upgrade;
 - (e) Cecil Hills Public School Upgrade;
 - (f) Epping Public School Upgrade;
 - (g) Fort Street Public School Upgrade;
 - (h) Lidcombe Public School Upgrade;
 - (i) Marie Bashir Public School Upgrade;
 - (j) North Kellyville Public School (new school);
 - (k) Kellyville 2017-2020;
 - (l) Oran Park Public School Upgrade;
 - (m) Prestons Public School Upgrade;
 - (n) Rosehill Public School Upgrade;
 - (o) Russell Lea Public School (new school);
 - (p) Rutherford Public School Upgrade;
 - (q) Wamberal Public School Upgrade;
 - (r) William Stimson Public School Upgrade;
 - (s) Willoughby Girls High School Upgrade;
 - (t) Willoughby Public School Upgrade;
 - (u) Willoughby Public School Upgrade;
 - (v) Ajuga School, Campbell House School and Glenfield Park School Upgrades;
 - (w) Arthur Phillip High School and Parramatta Public School (new schools);
 - (x) Ballina High School (new school);

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- (y) Bardia Public School Upgrade;
- (z) Bella Vista Public School (new school);
- (aa) Bolwarra Public School Upgrade;
- (ab) Coolah Central School Upgrade;
- (ac) Dubbo Networked Specialist School (new school);
- (ad) Farrer Memorial Agricultural High School Upgrade;
- (ae) Homebush West Public School Upgrade;
- (af) Hunter School of Performing Arts Upgrade;
- (ag) Hurlstone Agricultural High School (new school);
- (ah) Inner Sydney High School (new school);
- (ai) Lindfield Learning Village (new school);
- (aj) Manly Vale Public School Upgrade;
- (ak) Narellan School (new school);
- (al) Pottsville Beach Public School Upgrade;
- (am) Queanbeyan Regional Distance Education Hub (new school);
- (an) Rainbow Street Public School Upgrade;
- (ao) Randwick Public School Upgrade;
- (ap) Selective High School Upgrade in Glenfield;
- (aq) Ultimo Public School (new school)?

Answer—

Estimated values for projects not yet tendered are commercial-in-confidence.

The estimated value of projects which have been tendered are published annually in the State Budget.

*6924 HUNTER WATER AND NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What will be the Hunter Water costs associated with the construction of the light rail works in Newcastle?
- (2) Has there been a deed of agreement undertaken?
 - (a) If so, is this publicly available?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question should be referred to the Minister for Transport.

*6925 COMMERCIAL FISHERIES BUSINESS ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM—Mr David Mehan asked the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

- (1) Considering the Government's Commercial Fisheries Business Adjustment Program, how many fishing businesses were recorded with a Central Coast postcode before the recent subsidised share trading?
- (2) How many are there following the end of the subsidised share trading?

Answer—

- (1) There were 44 Central Coast fishing businesses registered for the Subsidised Share Trading Market when it commenced on 1 May this year.
- (2) When the market was closed and all the share transfers completed, there were 41 of the 44 registered businesses remaining.

*6926 HEALTH AND SAFETY ON WESTCONNEX M4 WIDENING PROJECT—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) How many workplace injuries were recorded during the construction of the M4 Widening Project?
 - (a) What was the gross incurred cost of those injuries?
 - (b) What was the total amount of time lost from those injuries?
 - (c) Which of those injuries were serious enough to cause long term disabilities?
 - (d) How were those injuries distributed by:
 - (i) Age;
 - (ii) Gender;
 - (iii) Occupation?

(e) What were the ten most common causes of injury?

Answer—

I am advised Sydney Motorway Corporation and its contractors comply with all work place safety requirements as mandated by Safe Work Australia.

Out of almost 4.4 million hours worked across the M4 Widening Project to September 30, the lost time injury frequency rate was 0.23. This represents only 1 lost time injury across the 4.4 million hours worked on the project, up to 30 September.

*6927 THE F6 EXTENSION—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

(1) Why is the Government not planning to investigate the section of the F6 extension corridor between Loftus and Waterfall?

(a) When will the Government commence investigations into this section?

(2) Why is the F6 extension no longer being referred to as a link between the M1 Princes Motorway at Waterfall and Sydney?

Answer—

I am advised:

I refer to the response I provided at the 2017-18 Budget Estimates hearing.

*6928 EMPLOYERS MUTUAL LIMITED—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

(1) Considering the appointment of Employers Mutual Limited (EML) as the single claims agent for the NSW workers' compensation scheme effective 1 January 2018, how will claims be transitioned from the current agent to the new agent?

(2) Will EML be able to administer the increased claims workload?

(a) If so, what steps have been taken to ensure EML is able to administer the increased work load?

(3) What steps has EML taken to consult with insurers and rehabilitation providers about the new arrangements from 1 January 2018?

(4) Is the Minister aware that there are increasing complaints from insurers and rehabilitation providers about lack of consultation by EML?

(a) If so, what steps have been taken to address these concerns?

(5) Will a claim will be considered 'new' based on the date of injury or date of claim lodgement?

Answer—

Operational management of the workers compensation Nominal Insurer does not fall within the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Finance, Services and Property. This question is more appropriately directed to the Treasurer.

6929 CARDIO-THORACIC PROCEDURES IN THE ILLAWARRA SHOALHAVEN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*6930 STEEL PROCUREMENT REFORMS—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

In light of the steel procurement reforms introduced from 1 October 2017, what is the expected bottom line cost for the government?

Answer—

The requirement to comply with the new Australian Standard AS/NZS 5131 'Structural steelwork – Fabrication and erection' was set by the NSW Procurement Board as it was concerned that non-conforming and non-compliant building products and construction materials are potentially affecting the quality, safety and whole of life-time performance of buildings and structures constructed for the New South Wales community. In setting the requirement the Procurement Board also acknowledged the role that recognised independent testing and certification bodies play in delivering assurance about the quality of materials used in infrastructure. NSW Procurement is not aware whether the adoption of the new Australian Standard AS/NZS 5131 'Structural steelwork – Fabrication and erection' will lead to increased costs to government, but New South Wales government agencies are responsible for ensuring that they achieve value for money when procuring construction goods and services. This includes ensuring that a building or structure procured by an agency is fit for its planned purpose and, where relevant, that construction materials and processes used in construction are fit for purpose.

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*6931 WARDS AT WOLLONGONG HOSPITAL—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) As a result of the Wollongong Hospital expansion in 2015, as of 17 October 2017, how many wards are operational?
- (2) How many wards are available for future expansion?
- (3) Are the wards currently available for future expansion empty?
- (4) What is required to make these wards operational?
- (5) Does the Government have any plans to make the wards in (2) operational?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so, what do these plans involve?
- (6) Have any operational wards been closed?
 - (a) If so, what have been the reasons for the closure of these wards?

Answer—

I am advised that there are sufficient wards to meet current capacity at Wollongong Hospital with potential for future expansion if required.

No operational wards have been closed.

*6933 OBESITY IN YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE HUNTER—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

How is the rising rate of obesity in young people aged 12 to 17 in the Hunter being addressed?

Answer—

Hunter New England Local Health District (HNE LHD) has a number of services that are able to identify and support adolescents who are risk of or present with weight management issues. This service is provided in hospital and community settings, along with proactive programs being undertaken with secondary schools.

*6935 ROADS IN THE CHARLESTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

- (1) What improvements to roads in the Charlestown electorate are currently underway by Roads, Maritime and Freight (as at 18 October 2017)?
- (2) What projects undertaken by Roads, Maritime and Freight in the Charlestown electorate are expected to be underway by 1 November 2017?

Answer—

Information on road projects in the Hunter region is available on the Roads and Maritime Services website.

*6936 BUSES ADDED TO THE STATE TRANSIT FLEET—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

What is the number of buses added to the State Transit fleet in each year from 2006 to 2017 (as at 18 October 2017)? Please provide the answers broken down by year.

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available in State Transit's annual reports.

*6937 CALCULATE AN AVERAGE SPEED OF SYDNEY TRAINS—Ms Jodi McKay asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) Does the Government calculate an average speed of Sydney Trains each year?
- (2) What is this calculation called and for what time period is it calculated?

Answer—

I refer to my previous response, LA Q5534.

*6938 FUTURE USE OF NSW LAND TITLES OFFICE IN ORANGE—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

What is the Government's intention for the heritage-listed building now occupied by the NSW Lands Office, situated on the corner of Kite and Anson Streets in Orange, once it is vacated?

Answer—

Property NSW are reviewing the options to occupy the building with Government agencies located within Orange. This review does not preclude the option of future community use.

*6939 CANOBOLAS AND LACHLAN LOCAL AREA COMMANDS—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

- (1) What resources are currently (as at 18 October 2017) allocated to specifically addressing Domestic Violence in the:
 - (a) Canobolas Local Area Command;
 - (b) Lachlan Local Area Command?
- (2) What are the number of reported domestic violence incidents in the last 12 months (to 18 October 2017) for:
 - (a) Canobolas Local Area Command;
 - (b) Lachlan Local Area Command?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force (NSWPF) has advised me that Canobolas and Lachlan Local Area Commands (LACs) each currently have two allocated Domestic Violence officers, with additional support from other officers as required. The Canobolas LAC was one of the first to implement fortnightly Safety Action Meetings as part of the Government's It Stops Here - Safer Pathway reforms.

Crime statistics are a matter for the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR).

*6940 NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

- (1) How many of the following services, operated by Newcastle Transport, have been cancelled over the period 1 July to 30 September 2017:
 - (a) 100;
 - (b) 104;
 - (c) 222;
 - (d) 225;
 - (e) 226;
 - (f) 230;
 - (g) 231;
 - (h) 235?

Answer—

I am advised:

Newcastle Transport operates over 7,000 services per week for the people of Newcastle and eastern Lake Macquarie, and has delivered over 113,000 services since Keolis Downer took over services on 1 July 2017. As at 31 October 2017, only 0.23 per cent of services have been cancelled.

*6942 REGIONAL HOME BASE OF THE MATILDAS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

What steps can the Government take to secure Newcastle as a regional home base for the Matildas?

Answer—

The Government will continue to support the Matildas by making McDonald Jones Stadium available to host international fixtures or provide the stadium as a training venue, as required.

Venues NSW is currently positioning McDonald Jones Stadium as an important piece of sporting and entertainment infrastructure in Newcastle, seeking to draw national and international events, as outlined within the Vision for the Hunter Sports and Entertainment Precinct.

Meanwhile, Venues NSW will continue to work with Newcastle City Council and Destination NSW to ensure Newcastle is in the best possible position to compete with other States to host the Westfield Matilda's fixtures.

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*6943 REBATES IN REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

Will access to rebates in regional New South Wales be improved, considering that the average market electricity bills are significantly higher?

Answer—

I am advised:

Help with energy bills is directed to where it is needed. This includes rural and regional areas. Most energy rebates are subject to a means-test and a customer needs to hold an approved concession card. Areas with greater need for help have more concession cards and that includes a number of rural and regional areas. That includes areas such as the South Coast, the North Coast and the Far West.

In the case of the Energy Accounts Payment Assistance (EAPA) program, as of 6 November this year, \$4.7 million of assistance had been given to customers in rural and regional areas. This compares to \$3.7 million in the Sydney metropolitan area for the same period.

In the case of the Low Income Households Rebate (LIHR), retailers have estimated that 45 per cent of customers that receive LIHR are based in regional areas which account for approximately 35 per cent of the total population.

For the Family Energy Rebate, for the whole of the 2016/17 financial year, there were around 23,000 recipients in rural and regional areas. That was a total of \$2 million. This compared to around 21,300 recipients in the Sydney metropolitan area.

The Government has increased rebates by 20 per cent and the increased rates are now available to all eligible customers. Customers, particularly those in rural and regional areas should look at whether they are eligible for the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Rebate.

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6944 GOSFORD TAFE ENROLMENT TARGET—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

6945 NSW METERING SCHEME—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

6946 CESSNOCK ELECTORATE ROADS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

*6947 SYDNEY WATER UPGRADES—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What is the total funding allocated within the current pricepath for upgrades to Sydney Water's sewage system?
- (2) Which of Sydney Water's wastewater treatment plant upgrades are currently underway (as at 17 October 2017)?
 - (a) What is the estimated cost for each plant?
- (3) Which wastewater treatment plant upgrades are yet to commence (as at 17 October 2017)?
 - (a) What is the commencement date for each plant?
 - (b) What is the cost for each plant?
- (4) What longer term wastewater treatment plant upgrades are envisaged beyond the current pricepath?
- (5) What funding is allocated to maintenance of the:
 - (a) Southern and Western Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer;
 - (b) Northern Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer?
- (6) What plans are there to ensure the structural integrity of the:
 - (a) Southern and Western Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer;
 - (b) Northern Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) \$361 million.
- (2) Work has commenced (either planning, design or construction) for the following plants: Quakers Hill and St Marys (\$320 million), Winmalee (\$20 million), North Head (\$58 million), Riverstone (\$113 million), Rouse Hill and Castle Hill (\$80 million), Richmond and North Richmond (\$92 million). Some of these projects continue into subsequent price paths.
- (3) Sydney Water plans to commence project planning and design activities on the following wastewater treatment plants:
 - (a) Western Sydney in 2017-18 and West Camden in 2018-19.
 - (b) Investment requirements will be determined when the projects commence.
- (4) Longer term wastewater upgrades beyond the current price path may include Richmond/North Richmond, Kemps Creek, Menangle/Douglas Park, Wilton and South Creek.
- (5) The 2016-20 IPART determination allocated a capital budget of \$30 million to rehabilitate the Southern and Western Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer (SWSOOS) and \$96 million for the Northern Suburbs Ocean Outfall Sewer (NSOOS).
- (6) Sydney Water undertakes ongoing visual inspections inside the sewer to ensure the structural integrity of the SWSOOS and NSOOS. These inspections generate condition assessment reports which recommend maintenance works, rehabilitation and next inspection date. Any identified works are then planned and prioritised within the forward program.

*6948 WESTERN SYDNEY STADIUM—Ms Julia Finn asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) When was the final business case for the Western Sydney Stadium project finalised?
- (2) Will the final business case be made publicly available?
- (3) When was planning approval given for the project?
- (4) What was the cost to demolish the old Pirtek Stadium?
- (5) What was the cost to demolish the Parramatta War Memorial Swimming Pool?
- (6) What contracts have been let for the project to date (as at 17 October 2017)?
- (7) What contracts remain to be let for the project (as at 17 October 2017)?
- (8) What is the cost expended to date for the project (as at 17 October 2017)?
- (9) What is the total budget for the project?
- (10) What is the expected completion date of the project?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The final business case for the Western Sydney Stadium was completed in 2016 and is cabinet in confidence.

(3) All details regarding the planning approval, including the determinations, are available at <http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au>.

(4) to (7) The Government awarded a contract to Lendlease for the design and construction of the new Western Sydney Stadium, this contract includes all demolition.

(8) to (10) The total approved budget for the project is \$360 million. The project is on time and within the approved project budget.

6949 INDUSTRIAL NOISE POLICY—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

6950 CESSNOCK ELECTORATE SCHOOL CANTEENS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—

6951 FIREWORKS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

6952 SCHOOLS DEEMED AT CAPACITY IN THE FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—

6953 CARRAMAR TRAIN STATION UNDERPASS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

6954 STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE 2017 EDUCATIONAL YEAR—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 6955 INFRINGEMENT NOTICES NEAR SCHOOLS IN THE FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- 6956 UPGRADES TO THE FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL CAR PARK—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6957 TRADE AND SKILL RECOGNITION IN AUSTRALIA—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
- *6959 WESTCONNEX—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

How will any run-off from the Westconnex Stage 3 drainage into Blackwattle Bay be managed to ensure no additional pollutants enter the Bay?

Answer—

I am advised:

This information is available in the M4-M5 Link Environmental Impact Statement.

- 6960 DECLARED RACING AREA FOR THE NEWCASTLE 500—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 6961 NURSE TO PATIENT RATIOS AT JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6962 GOSFORD STATE SIGNIFICANT SITES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- 6963 ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS AT GOSFORD TAFE—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 6964 ADDITIONAL TAFE COURSES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 6965 GOSFORD TAFE SHORT COURSES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- 6966 TAFE ENROLMENTS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- *6968 POLLUTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Has the Government taken any steps to ensure that health considerations are included in decision making about the closure sequence for the five remaining coal fired power stations (CFPS)?
- (2) Considering Delta Electricity's announcement of a solar farm at Vales Point power station, why is private enterprise, not government, at the forefront of renewable energy projects?
- (3) What is the Government doing to accelerate the transition away from CFPS in order to reduce deaths related to pollution from CFPS?

Answer—

I am advised:

The five remaining coal fired power stations are privately owned and any decision about their closure sequence lies within the responsibility of their private owners and not the Government. It would be expected and indeed has been announced with the scheduled closure of Liddell power station in 2022 that the oldest and least efficient power station will close first.

The Government applies strict requirements on power stations regarding emissions by requiring them to apply for an environment protection licence with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA). These are closely monitored by the EPA. The Government is paving the way for New South Wales transition to a clean energy future by creating policy certainty to attract investment. NSW has a private sector-led market, so the Government is engaging the private sector to lead on new projects.

The Government is creating a positive investment environment for new generation through our Energy Security Taskforce, our work with AEMO, the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Energy Council, and strong advocacy for electricity market reform through the Finkel Review. This builds on the government's success in implementing the NSW Renewable Energy Action Plan, which was released in 2013 to increase renewable energy at least cost to the energy consumer and with maximum benefits to the state.

In November 2016, we released the NSW Climate Change Policy Framework, which includes the aspirational objective to achieve net zero emissions by 2050, and help New South Wales become more resilient to climate change.

Over the past five years, the share of renewable energy in the state's supply mix has more than doubled. New South Wales saw a landmark year for renewables in 2016, with 19.6 per cent of generation coming from clean energy sources, which is the highest on record.

More renewable energy investment is occurring with around 1,000 megawatts (MW) of wind and solar farms under construction across the state. This is in addition to the 10,000 MW of large-scale renewable energy projects that are currently approved or seeking approval in New South Wales, representing 14 billion of potential investment.

This project pipeline highlights the Government's success in implementing the NSW Renewable Energy Action Plan.

This Government is successful in attracting clean energy projects to enable a smooth energy market transition. However, national policy certainty is necessary to further incentivise investment to replace ageing generation assets in Australia. Therefore this Government supports through the COAG Energy Council the implementation of 49 out of the 50 recommendations from the Finkel Blueprint. The COAG Energy Council will consider the Commonwealth's proposed National Energy Guarantee.

6969 THE STORE'S FAÇADE—Mr Tim Crakanthorpe to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

*6970 ENERGY COMPANIES IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Do you agree with the 12 September 2017 comments of the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment and Energy, the Hon. Josh Frydenberg MP that "energy companies are making record profits on the back of Australian families"?
- (2) The Minister was specifically referring to AGL's power station Liddell, near Muswellbrook. Are you aware of its contribution to the New South Wales energy market?
- (3) What fiscal measures is the Government implementing to reduce the financial strain of the energy crisis that is gripping New South Wales?
- (4) Is there currently an energy crisis gripping New South Wales that could lead to summer blackouts?
- (5) Will the Government be a bidder for the Liddell power station should AGL proceed with its plans to close the plant in 2022?
- (6) Has the Government held any preliminary discussions with AGL in recent months regarding the sale of Liddell?
 - (a) If so, what price would the Government be willing to pay for the power station?
- (7) What amount did AGL pay the Government in 2014 for the purchase of the Liddell power station?
 - (a) What were the terms of this sale contract?
 - (b) Would consideration be given to purchasing Liddell power station from AGL for the same price?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's Electricity Supply and Prices Inquiry is looking into matters regarding retailer margins and performance. I look forward to reviewing their final report in June 2018.

(2) Yes.

(3) The Premier has recently announced an Energy Affordability Package for households and small businesses across New South Wales. This fiscal measure is designed to

help those who need it most.

This package will increase all energy rebates by 20 per cent and stop energy retailers charging fees for

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early termination, paper bills, and paying over the counter at Australia Post.

The package will also help households and small business replace inefficient appliances with energy efficient ones, helping these customers save on their electricity bills.

(4) No. The NSW Energy Security Taskforce found that New South Wales is in a good position in terms of energy security and reliability in the short-term. Its Initial Report did make seven high-level recommendations. The Government is working to implement the intent of the recommendations in the Taskforce's Initial Report to be ready for summer 2017-18.

(5) and (6) No.

(7) This is a matter for the Treasurer.

6971 PLASTIC FIBRES IN DRINKING WATER SUPPLY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

6973 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTICLE MONITORING STATIONS—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

6975 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VIDEO STATEMENTS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—

6977 SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE ENVIRONMENT GRANT PROJECTS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

6978 PLASTIC FIBRES IN DRINKING WATER SUPPLY—Ms Julia Finn to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

6981 SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

6982 NEWCASTLE 500—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

6983 WILLIAMTOWN CONTAMINATION INVESTIGATION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

6984 OBESITY PREVENTION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

6985 BEES AND NEONICOTINOIDS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

*6986 SYDNEY MODERN—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

(1) What commitment will the Government give to excluding any permanent transfer of Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain land to the Art Gallery of New South Wales?

(2) To what extent and in what form will the Government provide compensation for the loss of green open space as a result of this project?

(3) When will the community have access to plans that show the precise location, dimensions and view impacts from the gardens and building envelopes of the proposed Sydney Modern?

(4) Will the Government publicly release the 2013 Sydney Modern Master Plan?

(5) What commitment will the Government give to releasing detailed plans and the 2013 master plan before the Sydney Modern proposal goes on exhibition?

(6) What action will the Government take in response to community concerns that further consultation about loss of public open space is needed before plans go on exhibition?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) That the Art Gallery of NSW, the Royal Botanic Gardens & Domain Trust and the Department of Planning and Environment are working collaboratively to determine the most appropriate approach for the project site.
- (2) The Art Gallery of NSW, the Royal Botanic Gardens & Domain Trust and the Department of Planning and Environment are working collaboratively to determine the most appropriate approach for the project site.
- (3) The State Significant Development Application for the expansion of the Art Gallery of NSW is currently on public exhibition for review and comment until 15 December 2017. Building on previous consultation since May 2015, the Art Gallery of NSW undertook extensive community consultation on the development and plans for the project across Sydney and regional New South Wales prior to the lodgement of the Development Application.
- (4) The State Significant Development Application includes relevant information from the Sydney Modern Master Plan regarding the selection of the site for the proposed expansion.
- (5) The State Significant Development Application for the expansion of the Art Gallery of NSW is currently on public exhibition for review and comment until 15 December 2017.
- (6) The State Significant Development Application for the expansion of the Art Gallery of NSW is currently on public exhibition for review and comment until 15 December 2017. Written submissions about the Development Application can be made to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment online, by post or email. All submissions will be considered as part of the Department's assessment of the Development Application. Building on previous consultation since May 2015, the Art Gallery of NSW undertook extensive community consultation on the development and plans for the project across Sydney and regional New South Wales prior to the lodgement of the Development Application.

*6987 ENTERTAINMENT QUARTER MEETING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) What matters were discussed at the meeting on 14 August 2014 between the former Minister for Planning and the current Entertainment Quarter leaseholders, Carsingha Investments Pty Ltd, before Carsingha bid for the Entertainment Quarter lease?
- (2) What information was divulged about the lease and the future of planning controls at the Entertainment Quarter to other bidders?
- (3) Were potential amendments to the 1995 'State Environmental Planning Policy 47 Moore Park Showground' discussed?
- (4) Were any commitments given that the State Environmental Planning Policy would be amended?

Answer—

I adhere to the Ministerial Code of Conduct, including the policy on meeting disclosures.

I have no responsibilities regarding the Entertainment Quarter lease or the 'State Environmental Planning Policy 47- Moore Park Showground'.

*6988 SYDNEY WATERWAYS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) What work was recently undertaken by Sydney Water to clear debris, litter and pollution in the Hawthorne Canal?
- (2) Was an Environmental Impact Statement required for this work?
 - (a) If so, was one made publicly available?
- (3) Have any claims that the clean-up was insufficient been investigated?
- (4) What safeguards are in place to ensure that work to improve water quality and environmental standards in Sydney waterways such as Hawthorne parade is completed satisfactorily and to the benefit of the community?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Hawthorne Canal Stormwater System (or Hawthorne Canal) contains 6.9 kilometres of pipes and culverts and 1.8 kilometres of open channel. Sydney Water owns and maintains the section of open channel upstream of Marion Street, Leichhardt. The walls of the downstream section are owned by Inner West Council, while the base of the canal is owned by the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).

Sydney Water is aware that RMS undertook dredging works within their section of the canal in

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Sydney Water staff inspect its section every four months to check for high silt levels and rubbish.

Sydney Water also owns and operates a floating litter trap in Hawthorne Canal to capture litter. This trap is cleaned weekly by RMS and prevents an average of 29 cubic metres of rubbish per year from entering Iron Cove Creek.

(2) An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was completed for the major work that Sydney Water completed in 2014.

(a) Sydney Water doesn't publicly release the EIS for dredging works, unless a member of the public specifically requests to view it.

(3) Sydney Water has not received any claims that any clean-up or maintenance activities undertaken in the area have been insufficient.

(4) Sydney Water has a Servicing Plan that outlines the standard maintenance requirements for its assets, and work such as canal dredging works of cleaning of stormwater quality improvement devices, such as litter traps, adhere to this plan.

The Sydney Water contractors who undertake these works are required to provide before and after photos of the completed works and record the total amounts of silt and litter removed.

Sydney Water staff also undertake site inspections following large scale dredging works, to ensure the work has been performed to a standard that meets Sydney Water and community expectations. Random environmental audits are also undertaken to check that the environmental safeguards outlined in the EIS are being implemented.

- 6989 SCHOOL BASED POSITIONS—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6990 PROTECTING PERSONAL DATA—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General—
- 6991 LAKEMBA ELECTORATE SCHOOLS—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6992 MOORE PARK MASTER PLAN—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- 6993 ASBESTOS IN SCHOOLS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6994 ASHBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6995 NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Multiculturalism, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 6996 MENTAL HEALTH—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for Ageing—
- 6997 XPT COMPONENT MANUFACTURE—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- 6998 PALLIATIVE CARE SPECIALISTS IN RURAL AND REGIONAL AREAS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 7000 NEW SOUTH WALES POLICE FORCE UNSWORN STAFF POSITIONS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- 7001 MAITLAND CITY COUNCIL FUNDING—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 7002 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORDERS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- 7003 CROWN CASINO ALLEGATIONS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—
- 7004 GREEN COVER—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—

*7005 WESTCONNEX POLLUTION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—

- (1) What consideration has the Government given to using air and noise pollution-absorbing materials for the WestConnex motorways?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of mineral polymers that absorb nitrogen dioxide?
- (3) What plans does the Government have to filter dangerous particle pollution from WestConnex ventilation stacks?
- (4) What measures will the Government use to prevent noise pollution from above-ground spaghetti intersections impacting on adjacent residential communities?
- (5) What provisions will the Government make for fast recharging electric vehicles as part of the WestConnex motorways?
- (6) What further steps will the Government take to prevent increased air and noise pollution from the WestConnex motorways?

Answer—

I am advised that WestConnex complies with stringent air quality standards in the tunnels and the surrounding community, using optimised ventilation and tunnel design.

In 2014 the Advisory Committee on Tunnel Air Quality, chaired by the NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer released a report confirming there was 'little to no health benefit for surrounding communities in installing filtration and air treatment systems in tunnels.'

Ongoing noise monitoring is carried out during construction to identify and help mitigate high risk noise events.

Operational noise mitigation measures across the project include noise walls, noise mounds and property architectural treatments specific to each location.

WestConnex will reduce general traffic noise with more than two thirds of the motorway underground, taking trucks and cars off local roads and minimising impacts on communities.

7006 CONTRACEPTIVES FUNDING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

7007 SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE SCHOOLS MAINTENANCE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Education—

7008 TAFE MODERNISATION PLAN—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—

7010 KNEE REPLACEMENT SURGERY WAITING TIMES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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*7013 COAL INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) Can a person be employed as casual under the National Employment Standards and the Black Coal Award when they work 52.36 hours per week and have a permanent set 4 panel roster, working 12.5 hour shifts, including day and night shifts, weekends and public holidays, in an open cut mine?
- (2) Can an enterprise agreement be approved without the Fair Work Commission checking the enterprise agreement and applying the Better Off Overall Test and not checking the documents and information in the submitted documents as to it being truthful and factual?
- (3) Can an enterprise agreement be less than the Black Coal Award, and can the agreement allow casual employment in production and engineering when the Black Coal Award does not allow casual employment in production and engineering as ruled by a full bench hearing?
- (4) Can an employer refuse to pay accident pay, as per an agreement and the mining industry standard?
- (5) Does the Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Act 2013 apply to all employers and employees and mine operators and owners working in the coal industry?

Answer—

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- (1) to (4) As these questions relate to working arrangements, they would be best referred to the Minister for Trade and Industry.
- (5) The Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Act 2013 applies to workplaces that are defined as a mine or petroleum site (as distinct from the 'coal industry' more generally). In such instances the Act applies to all employers and employees and mine operators and owners.
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- 7200 ASSISTANCE TO FARMERS IN THE ORANGE ELECTORATE—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- 7201 55A AND 55C BUS ROUTES PASSENGER NUMBERS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
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- 7203 TRANSGENDER CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What services does the Government provide for children and young people presenting with 'gender dysphoria'?
 - (2) What evidence does the Government have about increasing need for clinical and psychological support services?
 - (3) What support does the Government provide for families of children and young people with 'gender

- dysphoria'?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to expand support for families of children and young people with 'gender dysphoria'?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to expand clinical and psychological support in this area?
- 7204 NEW SOUTH HEAD ROAD SAFETY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) What plans does the Government have to improve safety on New South Head Road?
- (2) What funds has the Government allocated to safety measures for New South Head Road?
- (3) Does the Government support a separated cycle path on this route?
- (4) What consultation with Woollahra Council, pedestrian and cycling groups has the Government carried out?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to improve safety and prevent further deaths on New South Head Road?
- 7205 JUVENILE DETENTION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the Report of the Royal Commission and Board of Inquiry into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory?
- (2) What consideration has the Government given to report recommendations that are relevant to New South Wales?
- (3) What changes to New South Wales laws, policies or procedures has the Government identified from this report to address:
- (a) Links with child protection and out of home care systems;
- (b) Suicide prevention;
- (c) Ensuring protection and support for girls;
- (d) Ensuring protection and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people;
- (e) Improvements to throughcare and leaving detention;
- (f) Links with the NSW Advocate for Children and Young People;
- (g) The age of criminal responsibility?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to address concerns raised in this Royal Commission that apply in New South Wales?
- 7206 AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- (1) What assessment has the Government made of Australian National University research showing that boosting housing supply has not improved affordability?
- (2) What plans apart from increasing housing supply does the Government have to address the dire lack of affordable housing?
- (3) What action will the Government take in future to boost affordable rental housing?
- 7207 ACCESS TO THE ARTS IN REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State representing the Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- What steps is the Government taking to improve access to the arts in regional areas of New South Wales?
- 7208 GLENDALE TAFE CAMPUS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- (1) How many student enrolments were there at Glendale TAFE campus in each year from 2010 to 2017 (as at 14 November 2017)?
- (2) What are the teacher staffing levels at Glendale TAFE campus in each year from 2010 to 2017 (as at 14 November 2017)?
- 7209 INTERNET GAMBLING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing—
- What steps can the Government take to limit the impact of internet gambling on vulnerable members of the community?

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- 7210 LAND DESIGNATED AS A GREEN CORRIDOR—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
Under the appropriate legislation, what elements are taken into consideration when land is designated a green corridor?
- 7211 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL OUTPATIENTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many outpatient procedures were performed at John Hunter Hospital over the 2016-17 financial year?
 - (2) How many outpatient appointments were provided by medical professionals at John Hunter Hospital over the 2016-17 financial year?
- 7212 NEWCASTLE AND LAKE MACQUARIE LOCAL AREA COMMANDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Police, and Minister for Emergency Services—
- (1) Considering the Minister's response to LA Q2414, what is the progress of the Government's 2015 election commitment to recruit 310 new officers?
 - (a) How many of these officers have been assigned to the Newcastle and Lake Macquarie local area commands?
- 7213 EMPLOYMENT OF SUPPORT TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many support teachers were employed in the following high schools in each school year from 2014 to 2017:
 - (a) Callaghan College, Wallsend;
 - (b) Callaghan College, Waratah;
 - (c) Callaghan College, Jesmond;
 - (d) Lambton High;
 - (e) Glendale High?
- 7214 SHORE TO SHIP POWER—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) What actions has the Government taken since LA Q4793 to provide shore to ship power at Sydney Harbour cruise ship terminals and prevent noise and air pollution impacts?
 - (2) What is the outcome of the investigation of shore to ship power at White Bay Cruise Terminal referred to in March 2017?
 - (3) What investigation has been carried out into shore to ship power at the overseas Passenger Terminal?
 - (4) When does the Government expect to provide shore to ship power at these terminals?
- 7215 TENDERING AND CONTRACTING PROCESSES FOR M4-M5 LINK—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
- (1) Considering the current status of the tendering and contracting process for the M4-M5 link, will only two main contracts (excluding subcontracts) be awarded for design and construction of all the tunnels and sites identified in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the M4-M5 Link?
 - (a) If this is not the case, what other aspects of design and construction will be covered by separate contracts?
 - (2) When will the successful tenderer for the main tunnel be announced publicly?
 - (a) Will this announcement be made when a decision is made by the Sydney Motorway Corporation on the preferred tenderer, or when contracts have been signed?
 - (3) Are tenderers required to provide the details of a number of important aspects of the construction in their proposals, as stated in the EIS?
 - (a) If so, will these detailed plans be made public when the successful tenderer is announced?
 - (4) Do the Request for Tender (RFT) documents specify which specific work sites identified in the EIS are to be used by contractors in the construction of the main tunnel?
 - (a) If so, which are these sites?
 - (5) After the contract is signed, when is it anticipated that design and construction will commence?
- 7216 ROZELLE TUNNEL INTERCHANGE—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex, and Minister for Sport—
- (1) Are negotiations underway to identify potential main contractors to undertake the design and

- construction work for the Rozelle interchange?
- (2) Will a competitive Request For Tenders (RFT) process then be conducted with potential main contractors?
 - (3) What is the minimum number of tenderers who will be invited to respond to a RFT?
 - (4) When will a RFT be issued to tenderers?
 - (5) What will be the timescale between the issuing of the RFT and the final date for submission of proposals responding to the RFT?
 - (6) When is it now anticipated that design and construction work under this contract will commence?
- 7217 PROPOSED SYDENHAM TO BANKSTOWN CORRIDOR STRATEGY—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- (1) What consideration has been given to the need to upgrade essential services (including water and electricity) in light of the proposed Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor Strategy?
 - (2) What plans are in place to expand the Canterbury and Bankstown hospitals in relation to the proposed Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor Strategy?
 - (3) What plans are in place to widen or expand capacity on state roads affected by the proposed Sydenham to Bankstown Corridor Strategy?
- 7218 DEPOSIT SCHEME FACILITIES—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) As at 22 November 2017, how many container deposit scheme facilities will be installed in the Lakemba electorate by 1 December 2017?
 - (a) Where will these facilities be placed?
- 7219 NEW SOUTH WALES PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Jihad Dib to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many principals applied for the new tranche of additional Directors (Public Schools) positions?
 - (2) How many teachers, including executive staff have resigned from New South Wales Public schools so far this year (as at 22 November 2017)?
 - (3) How many full time equivalent positions have been filled on a temporary basis for over two terms during 2017?
- 7220 THE SMITH FAMILY'S LEARNING FOR LIFE PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many New South Wales public schools have students who are supported by the Smith Family's Learning for Life Program?
 - (2) What is the total number of New South Wales public school students that this program supports?
 - (3) How much funding does the Government allocate to this program each year?
 - (a) If the Government does not provide funding, why not?
- 7221 MOUNT KEIRA AND MOUNTAIN TRACKS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) Do you and your agency support mountain biking on managed tracks across Mount Keira?
 - (a) If so, will funding be allocated to the construction of these new tracks?
 - (i) If so, when?
 - (ii) If not, why not?
- 7222 BULLI HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
When will the upgrades to Bulli Hospital be completed?
- 7223 SCHOOLS IN THE SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many schools in the Summer Hill electorate received funding as part of the School Breakfast Program in the 2016-17 financial year?
 - (a) What was the total amount in the financial year spent on Summer Hill schools?
 - (2) How many schools across New South Wales were funded as part of the program in the 2016-17 financial year?
 - (a) What was the total amount for the financial year spent across New South Wales?
 - (3) How many schools in the Summer Hill electorate currently receive funding as part of the School

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Breakfast Program as of 1 November 2017?

- 7224 CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) What is the total cost of producing and installing a reverse vending machine under the Government's Container Deposit Scheme?
 - (2) What is the cost of establishing a manual collection point under the Container Deposit Scheme?
 - (3) What is the total cost to the operator of a reverse vending machine per year?
 - (4) What is the total cost to the operator of acting as a manual collection point?
 - (5) How many manual collection points will be operational on 1 December 2017:
 - (a) Across New South Wales;
 - (b) In the Summer Hill electorate?
 - (6) How many manual collection points will be operational on 1 December 2018:
 - (a) Across New South Wales;
 - (b) In the Summer Hill electorate?
- 7225 BUS PRIORITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- How many bus stops have been removed across New South Wales under the Bus Priority Infrastructure Program in each year from 2013 to 2017 (as at 22 November 2017)?
- 7226 OFFICE OF NEW SOUTH WALES TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General—
- (1) How many people does the Office of NSW Trustee and Guardian have legal guardianship over as at 1 July 2017?
 - (2) How many of these people are aged over 55?
 - (3) What is the total number of people the office has had guardianship over on 1 July in each financial year from 2012-13 to 2016-17?
- 7227 NEW SOUTH WALES TRAINS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) How many benches and seats have been removed from New South Wales train stations in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2016-17?
 - (a) How many have been replaced with seating rails?
 - (2) How many seating rails have been installed at train stations across New South Wales in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2016-17?
 - (3) What is the cost of installing each rail?
 - (4) What is the rationale behind installing these rails?
 - (5) What is the policy of Transport for NSW regarding the ratio between bench seating and seating rails?
 - (a) How does this comply with the Government's obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992?
- 7228 NEEDLE AND SYRINGE POINTS IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What is the Government's total budget for providing Needle and Syringe Points in New South Wales in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2016-17?
 - (2) How many full time employees work in Needle and Syringe Points in New South Wales in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2016-17?
 - (3) What is the Government's total budget for providing rehabilitation services in New South Wales in each financial year from 2010-11 to 2016-17?
- 7229 CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) When will refund points be established for the Container Deposit Scheme in the major regional retail centre of the Charlestown electorate?
 - (a) Where will these refund points be located?
- 7230 JETTING AND MOORING LICENCES—Mr David Harris to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—

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- (1) How many jetty and mooring licences are located in Chittaway Creek?
(a) How much revenue was collected in each year from 2012 to 2016?
- 7231 EDUCATION PROGRAMS EXPENDITURE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What has been the total expenditure of the Future Focused Schools program as at 31 October 2017?
(2) What has been the total expenditure of the Regional School Renewal program as at 31 October 2017?
- 7232 MITCHELL HIGHWAY ROADWORKS AT GUANNA HILL—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight—
- (1) Why has there been an apparent six week delay in work on the road upgrades on the Mitchell Highway at Guanna Hill?
(2) When is the Mitchell Highway road upgrade at Guanna Hill expected to be completed?
- 7233 PARKING SPOTS AT CARDIFF AND BROADMEADOW STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) How many parking spots are available at Cardiff train station?
(2) How many parking spots are available at Broadmeadow train station?
- 7234 WAGE THEFT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the landmark University of Technology, Sydney and University of New South Wales research report Wage Theft in Australia showing workplace exploitation for one third of backpackers and international students?
(2) What programs and services does the Government provide to address this exploitation?
(3) What further action will the Government take to address wage theft for vulnerable workers?
- 7235 COMPUTERS IN PRISON CELLS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism, Minister for Corrections, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—
- (1) Considering that New South Wales prisoners have access to television but not computers in their cells, what changes have been made in policy about access to computers in prison cells since LA Q6142 (Questions and Answers Paper No. 9, 16 October 2014) for:
(a) Adults;
(b) Juveniles?
(2) What research has the Government carried out or reviewed since then about the benefits of prisoners having computers in cells?
(3) What evidence does the Government have about access to computers in prison cells for online counselling to address:
(a) Drug/substance problems, including smoking;
(b) Anxiety and other mental health concerns;
(c) Anger management;
(d) Domestic and family violence?
(4) What assessment has the Government made of benefits of access to computers in cells for education, training and employment?
(5) What assessment has the Government made of benefits of computer access in cells to reduce recidivism and improve rehabilitation?
(6) What action will the Government take to introduce computers to prison cells with appropriate safeguards?
- 7236 HUNTER WATER AND NEWCASTLE LIGHT RAIL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) What will be the Hunter Water costs associated with the construction of the light rail works in Newcastle?
(2) Has there been a deed of agreement undertaken?
(a) If so, is this publicly available?
- 7237 COAL INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—

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- (1) Can a person be employed as casual under the National Employment Standards and the Black Coal Award when they work 52.36 hours per week and have a permanent set 4 panel roster, working 12.5 hour shifts, including day and night shifts, weekends and public holidays, in an open cut mine?
 - (2) Can an enterprise agreement be approved without the Fair Work Commission checking the enterprise agreement and applying the Better Off Overall Test and not checking the documents and information in the submitted documents as to it being truthful and factual?
 - (3) Can an enterprise agreement be less than the Black Coal Award, and can the agreement allow casual employment in production and engineering when the Black Coal Award does not allow casual employment in production and engineering as ruled by a full bench hearing?
 - (4) Can an employer refuse to pay accident pay, as per an agreement and the mining industry standard?
- 7238 PURCHASE OF THE LIDDELL POWER STATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) What amount did AGL pay the Government in 2014 for the purchase of the Liddell power station?
 - (a) What were the terms of this sale contract?
 - (b) Would consideration be given to purchasing Liddell power station from AGL for the same price?
- 7239 EMPLOYERS MUTUAL LIMITED—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) Considering the appointment of Employers Mutual Limited (EML) as the single claims agent for the NSW workers' compensation scheme effective 1 January 2018, how will claims be transitioned from the current agent to the new agent?
 - (2) Will EML be able to administer the increased claims workload?
 - (a) If so, what steps have been taken to ensure EML is able to administer the increased work load?
 - (3) What steps has EML taken to consult with insurers and rehabilitation providers about the new arrangements from 1 January 2018?
 - (4) Is the Minister aware that there are increasing complaints from insurers and rehabilitation providers about lack of consultation by EML?
 - (a) If so, what steps have been taken to address these concerns?
 - (5) Will a claim will be considered 'new' based on the date of injury or date of claim lodgement?
- 7240 DROUGHT ASSISTANCE TO AGRICULTURAL CONTRACTORS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Lands and Forestry, and Minister for Racing representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water, Minister for Trade and Industry—
- What financial and other assistance is available to the many agricultural contractors in rural and regional New South Wales whose income is negatively impacted as a result of drought?
- 7241 BARANGAROO CONSTRUCTION WORKS OUTSIDE STANDARD HOURS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing, and Special Minister for State—
- (1) On One Sydney Harbour, what oversight must occur to ensure that works outside of standard hours comply with consent conditions?
 - (2) On how many days have construction works occurred outside of these standard hours, including deliveries and maintenance works?
 - (a) For each of these occasions:
 - (i) Which received approval from NSW Police?
 - (ii) Which received approval from other authorities and which authorities were they?
 - (iii) Which were considered emergency works to avoid loss of life, damage to property or to prevent environmental harm?
 - (3) What action has been taken for works outside of standard hours that did not meet consent conditions?
 - (4) What community notification occurs before works can occur outside of standard hours?
 - (5) How can local residents find out if the Department has deemed that works outside of standard hours are within consent conditions?
 - (6) On Crown Sydney Hotel Resort, what oversight must occur to ensure that works outside of standard hours comply with consent conditions?
 - (7) On how many days have construction works occurred outside of these standard hours?
 - (a) For each of these occasions:
 - (i) Which received approval from NSW Police?

- (ii) Which received approval from other authorities and which authorities were they?
 - (iii) Which were considered emergency works to avoid loss of life, damage to property or to prevent environmental harm?
 - (iv) Which were approved in advance in writing by the Secretary or a nominee?
 - (v) Which come under consent conditions D3 which permit 24 hour works and what were the details of these occasions?
- (8) What action has been taken for works outside of standard hours that did not meet consent conditions?
- (9) What community notification occurs before works can occur outside of standard hours?
- (10) How can local residents find out if the Department has deemed that works outside of standard hours are within consent conditions?
- 7242 YASMAR JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITY—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) What interaction has the Office of Environment and Heritage had with the Department of Justice regarding operations at Yasmar Juvenile Justice Facility?
 - (2) What regulation or oversight does the Office of Environment and Heritage exercise over operations at Yasmar Juvenile Justice Facility?
 - (3) Has the Office of Environment and Heritage raised concerns with the impacts of operations on heritage protections at Yasmar Juvenile Justice Facility?
- 7243 SUMMER HILL AMBULANCE STATION—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) When is the Summer Hill ambulance station due to close operations?
 - (2) When is the proposed superstation at Haberfield due to begin?
 - (3) What other stations will likely be closed as a result of the new Haberfield superstation?
 - (4) What is the estimated cost of closing the Summer Hill ambulance station?
 - (5) Will the Summer Hill ambulance station be sold to private developers?
- 7244 SLAVERY, HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND FORCED LABOUR—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—
- (1) What mechanisms does the Government use to ensure that government contracts for goods and services do not support forced labour, human trafficking or slavery?
 - (2) How does the Government ensure that slavery, forced labour and human trafficking does not occur anywhere along the supply chain for goods and services supplied for government contracts?
 - (3) What liaison has the Government carried out with the Commonwealth Government to prevent human trafficking, forced labour or slavery?
 - (4) What further action will the Government take to ensure that government contracts do not contribute to slavery, forced labour and human trafficking?
- 7245 OPERATIONS OF THE 55A AND 55C BUS ROUTES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—
- Is the Minister aware that the University of Wollongong and Wollongong City Council have been asked to contribute financially to the operations of the 55A and 55C bus routes in Wollongong in order for them to continue to be provided free of charge to passengers?
- 7246 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE OPERATIONS OF THE 55A AND 55C BUS ROUTES IN WOLLONGONG—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Tourism and Major Events, and Assistant Minister for Skills—
- (1) Is the Minister aware that students attending TAFE campuses on or near the 55A and 55C bus routes also use these services?
 - (2) Has TAFE NSW been approached to make a financial contribution to the operation of the 55A and 55C bus services in Wollongong in order for those services to continue to be provided free of charge to passengers?
 - (a) If not, is TAFE NSW willing to make a financial contribution if approached?
 - (i) If not, why not?
- 7247 VISITORS TO WOLLONGONG PUBLIC HOSPITAL—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—
- (1) Is the Minister aware that the 55A and 55C bus routes in Wollongong are well used by staff, patients

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- and visitors to Wollongong Public Hospital?
- (2) Has NSW Health been asked to financially contribute to the ongoing operation of the 55A and 55C routes as the University of Wollongong and Wollongong City Council have?
- (a) If not, why not?

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