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#### **18 SEPTEMBER 2019**

(Paper No. 25)

\*1242 FIRE CONTROL OFFICER POSITION AT FIRE CONTROL CENTRE IVANHOE—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

Will the Fire Control Officer position at the Fire Control Centre in Ivanhoe, New South Wales, be reinstated to assist a key position in the coordination of Rural Fire Service volunteers in the event of a significant bushfire?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Ivanhoe Fire Control Centre remains open and firefighting abilities in Ivanhoe are not affected. New South Wales Rural Fire Service staff visit regularly to assist volunteers.

- \*1243 HARVEST REGISTRATION—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
  - (1) As a drought assistance measure, will a year-round harvest registration be reintroduced to avoid the cost of driving a vehicle several hundred kilometres for a pit inspection?
    - (a) If not, will a rebate be authorised to pay for pit inspection fees for farm-owned vehicles previously registered under a harvest registration?

Answer-

I am advised:

Seasonal registration is offered to assist primary producers. Seasonal vehicles can be registered for an unlimited combination of quarterly or half-yearly terms in a 12-month period. Annual registration terms are not available for these vehicles.

Seasonal vehicles must have an inspection report within each 12-month period to ensure these vehicles are safe.

Transport for NSW continues to work with the Department of Primary Industries to support a whole of government response to drought.

This includes registration relief for Class 1 Ag Vehicles, improved heavy vehicle access permits and \$15 million towards the Drought Relief Heavy Vehicle Access Program to support local councils.

- \*1244 FODDER TRANSPORT REBATE—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—
  - (1) Are farmers waiting up to seven weeks for the reimbursement of the fodder transport rebate?
    - (a) If so, can this wait time be reduced?
    - (b) If not, what is the standard time for reimbursement?

Answer—

On average farmers are waiting 5.5 weeks for reimbursement. The New South Wales Rural Assistance Authority is reducing processing times with the help of a new online application system, appointment of additional staff, and is working closely with Rural Financial Counsellors.

\*1246 INDEPENDENT PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULING—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong asked the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

Why did the Independent Planning Commission schedule a public meeting on Varroville Crown Cemetery Development eight months after the application was referred to the Independent Planning Commission on 7 June 2018, considering the Edmondson Park Concept Approval MOD 8 (MP 10\_0 I18 MOD8) was referred to the Independent Planning Commission on 12 August 2019 and a public meeting on the matter was subsequently scheduled for 23 September 2019?

Answer-

I am advised:

On 18 May 2018, the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust referred its Crown development application to the then Minister for Planning. It is understood this was because the Sydney Western Planning Panel had not made a decision within 70 days of lodgement.

The then Minister for Planning delegated his functions under Division 4.6 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (the EP&A Act) in relation to Crown development applications to the Independent Planning Commission (the Commission) regarding the Varroville Crown Cemetery Development on 4 June 2018. The referral was received by the Commission on 7 June 2018. This type of referral was entirely within the then Minister's powers but was uncommon.

As the Commission understood that the Campbelltown City Council (the Council) had undertaken some assessment it contacted the Council requesting records and any assessment that had been done in this regard so this material could be used as the basis for the full assessment.

Under Section 2.11 (3) of the EP&A Act, the Commission can arrange for the use of the services of the Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Environment. Accordingly, even though the Council had not provided the material, the Commission wrote to the then Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) on 1 August 2018 seeking an assessment of the application. The Department undertook an assessment and finalised its 'Macarthur Memorial Park, Varroville Crown Development Assessment Report' and provided it to the Commission for consideration on 21 December 2018. The Department then went into the Public Service Christmas Closedown for two weeks.

The Commission received Council's records in relation to the Varroville Crown Cemetery Development on 3 August 2018. This material was forwarded to the

## Department.

After receiving the assessment from the Department, the Commission, as is usual practice, organised meetings with the applicant and the Department on 14 February 2019 and then Council on 19 February 2019. The Commission Panel undertook a site inspection and locality tour on 19 February 2019. And the Commission advertised a public meeting.

Normally the meeting would be held approximately one month after receipt of a project. However, Caretaker period commenced 1 March 2019. The Commission erred on the side of caution regarding Caretaker provisions, although it received subsequent advice that the Caretaker period did not apply to its standard business.

The public meeting was advertised in the Macarthur Chronicle on 26 February 2019 and the Campbelltown Camden Wollondilly Advertiser, the Daily Telegraph, Liverpool Champion, Liverpool Leader and Sydney Morning Herald on 27 February 2019. It was held on 25 March 2019, following the NSW State election (held on 23 March 2019).

The Edmondson Park Concept Approval MOD 8 (MP 10\_0 118 MOD8) (Project) is a section 75W application that was referred to the Commission as the consent authority under the Minister's delegation dated September 2011 because it received 25 objections or more. The Project was referred after the Department had concluded its assessment. This type of application and state significant development applications are standard applications before the Commission.

## \*1249 PROPERTY EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA—Ms Sophie Cotsis asked the Minister for Customer Service—

- (1) How much money did the Government invest to establish Property Exchange Australia (PEXA)?
- (2) How much money did the Government receive for selling its interest in PEXA?
- (3) Is it currently Government policy that PEXA must be interoperable with other property transfer systems?
  - (a) If so, what actions is the Government taking to achieve this outcome?
  - (b) If not, what is the Government's current policy regarding this issue?
  - (c) Why did the Government not include interoperability requirements when the Electronic Conveyancing (Adoption of National Law) Act 2012 (NSW) was introduced to Parliament in 2012?
  - (d) Why did the Government not require that PEXA develop interoperability standards prior to the introduction of compulsory eConveyancing in New South Wales on 1 July 2019?
- (4) Has the Government made a submission to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) investigation into PEXA?
  - (a) If so, is the submission publicly available?
    - (i) If so, where can it be accessed?

#### Answer-

(1) The total investment New South Wales made in Property Exchange Australia (PEXA) was \$12.08 million.

- (2) \$104,000,000.
- (3) New South Wales is committed to promoting the development of a competitive eConveyancing market, and, in the Government's view, interoperability supports this objective.

The Government notes the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) view that interoperability is "an important pro-competitive feature". The Government also supports the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal's (IPART) recommendation in its draft Report, for a market structure with multiple infrastructure

Electronic Network Lodgment Operators (ELNO) integrated with the financial sector, land registries and revenue offices, with direct interoperability between ELNOs.

The Government continues to work with stakeholders to investigate interoperability, drawing on the results of deep industry consultation, including independently-chaired industry-wide working groups from May to July 2019.

- (a) see above
- (b) see above
- (c) The Electronic Conveyancing (Adoption of National Law) Act 2012 (NSW) provides for the operation of multiple ELNOs. Under that Act the Government is empowered to develop more detailed operating requirements as needed, including in relation to interoperability.
- (d) On 28 February 2017, after close consultation with stakeholders and well before the advent of a second ELNO, the Government announced its commitment to mandate eConveyancing by 1 July 2019. The Government kept its commitment to the mandated timeline, avoiding uncertainty and hardship for industry after a lengthy lead-in period.
- (4) In 2018, ACCC Chairman Rod Sims told the Australian Financial Review that the ACCC had significant competition concerns regarding PEXA and was investigating these issues. I do not have details of this investigation, and the Government did not make a submission to ACCC on this issue.

In August 2019, Chairman Sims flagged a possible review of the online settlement market (article in The Australian dated 19 August 2019). We will assist the ACCC in their review but have not made any formal submission to date.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (i) Not applicable.
- \*1251 MURRUMBIDGEE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EVALUATION OF STAFF MORALE—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
  - (1) Who conducted the evaluation of staff morale at Murrumbidgee Regional High School which "garnered no negative responses", as reported on ABC Riverina on 28 August 2019?
  - (2) When did this evaluation take place?
  - (3) How many teachers were interviewed as part of this evaluation?
  - (4) Will the full results of this evaluation be made public?

#### Answer—

- (1) There was no evaluation of staff morale at Murrumbidgee Regional High School. ABC Riverina reported on feedback from a School Development Day.
- (2) The School Development Day was held 29 July 2019. A feedback evaluation of the day was completed by staff attending.
- (3) On the School Development Day all teaching staff present at school attended the training. Participants worked in 29 groups and voluntarily completed an evaluation of the day. 100 staff responded.
- (4) Peter King, Executive Principal, Murrumbidgee Regional High School, provided the feedback to staff.
- \*1252 MURRUMBIDGEE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL NEW CASUAL TEACHING POSITIONS—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
  - (1) Of the five new casual teaching positions you announced on 14 August at Murrumbidgee Regional High School (MRHS), how many have been filled by newly-appointed staff?
  - (2) Have any existing MRHS staff taken any of these five positions?

(a) If so, how many?

#### Answer-

- (1) All five positions will be filled by newly appointed staff.
- (2) No.
- \*1253 ROYAL COMMISSION INTO WATER MANAGEMENT—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—
  - (1) Have you made a formal approach to the Commonwealth Government to request a Commonwealth royal commission, considering that you expressed support for a Commonwealth royal commission into the Murray-Darling Basin Plan at a public meeting in Menindee in January 2019?
    - (a) If not, will you make a formal approach to the Commonwealth Government to request a Commonwealth royal commission in the future?

#### Answer-

Please refer to my public statements in my Budget Estimates 2019-20 transcript, page 12, available via: https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lcdocs/transcripts/2242/Transcript%20-%2013%20September%2019% 20-%20UNCORRECTED%20-%20PC%204%20-%20Regional%20New%20South%20Wales% 20Industry%20and%20Trade%20-%20Barilaro.pdf

\*1259 ILLAWARRA ESCARPMENT MOUNTAIN BIKE STRATEGY COMMUNITY CONSULTATION—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Energy and Environment—

When will the Illawarra Escarpment Mountain Bike Strategy community consultation report be released? Answer—

The Illawarra Escarpment Mountain Bike Strategy Public Exhibition Report was released on 24 September 2019.

- \*1260 LIFEJACKETS FOR ROCK FISHING WOLLONGONG—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Local Government—
  - (1) Will you consider amending legislation to require the wearing of lifejackets for people rock fishing in the Wollongong Government Local Government Area?
    - (a) If so, when?
    - (b) If not, why?

## Answer-

There is no requirement to amend the legislation. Any council, including Wollongong City Council, can opt into the legislation should they resolve to do so.

#### **19 SEPTEMBER 2019**

(Paper No. 26)

- 1261 FARM INNOVATION FUND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—
- 1262 TOTAL NUMBER OF LICENCED COMMERICAL FISHERS RESIDING IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—
- 1263 LEASE OF 525 HIGH STREET MAITLAND ADVICE TO PROPERTY NSW—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1264 DISCOUNTED ENERGY EFFICIENT AIR CONDITIONER FOR HOUSEHOLDS PROGRAM—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- 1265 PAY DISPARITY MAITLAND SCHOOLS—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1266 REVENUE NSW LEASE OF 525 HIGH STREET MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

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- SCHOOL COUNSELLORS MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- AIR CONDITIONING SCHOOLS MAITLAND ELECTORATE—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- WAITING LIST FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS IN MAITLAND—Ms Jenny Aitchison to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood
- 1270 WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY BACHELOR OF HEALTH SCIENCE OFFERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education—
- WATERNSW CONTACT WITH COUNCILS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing-
- \*1274 TRAINS PENALTY NOTICES FARE EVASION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Transport and Roads-

How many penalty notices for face evasion were issued for incidents on Transport for NSW trains in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2018-19?

Answer—

I am advised:

Zero. Transport for NSW does not issue penalty notices for face evasion.

\*1275 BUSES PENALTY NOTICES FARE EVASION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Transport and Roads-

How many penalty notices for face evasion were issued for incidents on Transport for NSW buses in each financial year from 2015-16 to 2018-19?

Answer-

I am advised:

Zero. Transport for NSW does not issue penalty notices for face evasion.

- STUDY OF THE IMPACT OF MINING ON THE CORDEAUX DAM CATCHMENT AREA—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- \*1277 PUBLIC HOSPITALS AND HEALTH CARE FACILITES FIRE SAFETY COMPLIANCE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research-
  - (1) Did any New South Wales Local Health Districts or other Specialised Health Networks report any public hospitals and health care facilities which were non-compliant with State fire safety requirements in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2018-19?
    - (a) If yes, what were the facilities and where are they located?
    - (b) If yes, do they now meet State fire safety requirements?
    - (c) If yes, are there any outstanding as at 30 June 2019?

Answer—

- (1) I refer the Member to the response to LA Q438.
- 1278 ADMITTANCE OF NEW SOUTH WALES PRISONERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—
- \*1279 PARAMEDICS CENTRAL WEST ZONE 2—Mr Roy Butler asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research-
  - (1) How many paramedics in the NSW Ambulance Central West Zone 2 are:
    - (a) extended-care paramedics;
    - (b) intensive-care paramedics?
  - (2) At which stations within Central West Zone 2 are these paramedics located?

Answer—

I am advised there are currently 12 Intensive Care Paramedics (ICPs) in New South Wales Ambulance Central and Far West Zone 2 located at Broken Hill, Dubbo, Gilgandra, Walgett, and Wentworth, noting that these staffing numbers vary throughout the year due to staff transfers.

- \*1280 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT—Mr Tim Crakanthorp asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) How many intensive care unit (ICU) beds are available at the John Hunter Hospital on weekdays?
  - (2) How many ICU beds are available at the John Hunter Hospital on weekends?
  - (3) For how many days was the ICU ward at the John Hunter Hospital in each year from 2015 to 2019 (as at 19 September 2019):
    - (a) at capacity;
    - (b) understaffed?
  - (4) In 2019 (as at 19 September 2019), how many patients have stayed in a recovery ward for the following number of day/s:
    - (a) 1;
    - (b) 2;
    - (c) 3;
    - (d) 4;
    - (e) 5;
    - (f) 6;
    - (g) 7?

#### Answer—

- (1) to (3) The John Hunter Hospital Intensive Care Unit operates with a flexible bed model, with surge beds available for short periods. The Unit is staffed in accordance with the Public Health System Nurses' and Midwives' (State) Award. In the event that surge beds are opened, additional staff are rostered to ensure safe patient care is provided.
- (4) (a-g) None.
- 1281 NEWCASTLE 500 COORDINATION OFFICE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
- 1282 STOCKTON EROSION—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 1284 JENNY'S PLACE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTRE FUNDING—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- 1285 FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR WATER DONATIONS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1286 BIODIVERSITY LAWS APPLYING TO WATER OFFICIALS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—
- \*1287 GRIFFITH APPROVAL OF SAFE DRINKING WATER—Mrs Helen Dalton asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) Considering that in July 2017 Griffith City Council sourced the shire's supply of drinking water from Lake Wyangan at a time when the lake was subject to an amber alert for blue-green algae, can confirmation be given that NSW Health "had no concerns" with Griffith City Council's drinking water in July 2017, as Griffith City Council advised me in a letter?
  - (2) Did NSW Health formally approve Griffith City Council's drinking water supply in July 2017?

#### Answer—

NSW Health is not an approval authority for local water utility drinking water supplies. I am advised that no public health issues related to the Griffith drinking water supply were raised with NSW Health in July 2017.

- \*1289 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ON BROAD STREET BRIDGE AT EUGOWRA—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
  - (1) Will you address community concerns relating to safety of pedestrians crossing the footpaths without protective barriers separating pedestrians from vehicles upon the narrow RMS Bridge on Broad Street at Eugowra?

(a) If so, what actions will be taken?

Answer-

I am advised:

Transport for NSW has no plans to install separation barriers over the bridge. The installation of protective barriers would further restrict pedestrian access, including

access for mobility scooters. Pedestrian safety at this location has been assessed and is consistent with safety requirements for pedestrian bridges across the State.

\*1290 ROAD RECLASSIFICATION AT EUGOWRA—Mr Philip Donato asked the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—

Will you consider the reclassification of Nangar Road (Eugowra Canowindra Road) and Casuarina Drive (Gooloogong Eugowra Road) at Eugowra from local roads to state roads to benefit transport and freight movements?

Answer-

I am advised:

The proposed transfer of up to 15,000 kilometres of council-managed roads to the State will be focused on regional roads, although eligible local roads may be considered. An Independent Panel is being established to oversee this process alongside the Road Classification Review. The Panel is tasked with making recommendations to Government about which roads to transfer from councils to the the State.

- 1291 REPAIR SHOPS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- \*1292 RETAIL LEASES ACT 1909—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business—
  - (1) What assessment has the Government made about the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal decision in Uncle Mings Pty Ltd vs Scarf Holdings that small bars are not covered under the Retail Leases Act?
  - (2) To what extent does this mean these businesses are subject to costly and time consuming court action to resolve disputes?
  - (3) What action will the Government take to ensure small bars and new small businesses are included under this legislation?

Answer—

Currently, Schedule 1 of the Retail Leases Act includes a defined list of types of businesses that are covered by the Act:

- Beer, wine and spirit shops (except where goods are for consumption on the premises)
- Coffee, tea and other non-alcoholic beverage shops
- Restaurants, cafeterias, coffee lounges, food courts and other eating places
- · Snack bars
- · Takeaway food shops

If any establishment is wholly or predominantly for the carrying on of a business listed in Schedule 1 of the Act, then they are covered by the Retail leases Act. There is extensive case law that assists the understanding of how the courts interpret "predominant use".

While a general bar category is not currently included in schedule 1 in the Act, the lease document itself remains the primary source of law, as agreed between the parties.

Many protections are still afforded under common law and further parties to a commercial lease that are not covered under the Act may still agree to terms that mirror the provision of the Act, including dispute-resolution provisions.

The Office of the Small Business Commissioner through the Mediation Services dispute resolution team currently provides support, information and strategic advice concerning retail or commercial leasing issues in New South Wales. This team has successfully achieved:

- 17,900 phone and email inquiries in 2018
- 2600 self-help web sessions per month
- 948 mediations filed
- 92 per cent of all mediations filed are resolved before being determined in court

Whilst small bars are not specifically included in Schedule 1 of the Act, the New South Wales Government is continually looking at ways to improve conditions for businesses in New South Wales. In my responsibilities as Small Business Minister, I will be looking to consider amendments to the Retail Leases Act in the near future.

Finally I would encourage any small business seeking information on retail lease to approach the Office of the Small Business Commissioner who may be able to provide strategic advice.

- 1294 FORESHORE WALK—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- 1295 ASBESTOS EDUCATION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- \*1297 GAME DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRY—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business—
  - (1) What support does the Government provide to the video game development industry through:
    - (a) funding grants programs;
    - (b) low cost loans or subsidies;
    - (c) research and development backing;
    - (d) conventions and trade missions;
    - (e) business development, training and mentoring;
    - (f) tax incentives or credits;
    - (g) support for 'serious games' in health, welfare and education; and/or
    - (h) other measures?
  - (2) Does the Government operate an interactive/video game advisory body to hear about industry needs?
  - (3) What advocacy has the Government carried out to build Commonwealth Government support for this industry; and
  - (4) What plans does the Government have to further support the interactive game industry?

Answer—

I am advised that this question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney.

- \*1298 PETS ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) What assessment has the Government made of the recent changes in Queensland to allow passengers to take their pets on public transport?
  - (2) What plans does the Government to allow pets on railway stations and to travel on trains?
  - (3) What plans does the Government have to allow pets to travel on buses?
  - (4) Will the Government consider relaxing these requirements to help pet owners travel and get treatment for their loved animals?

Answer-

I am advised:

Transport for NSW allows pets on buses, ferries and light rail, subject to conditions which are outlined on its website.

Transport for NSW is currently exploring the possibility of allowing pets on trains. Important considerations that need to be investigated include the level of demand for travelling with pets, animal welfare in underground stations, the potential effects on assistance animals, as well as the impacts on other passengers and capacity. These will need to be thoroughly examined before any changes are made to the existing policy.

- 1299 TENANTS ADVICE AND ADVOCACY SERVICES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 1300 GREYHOUND DEATHS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 1301 GREYHOUND RACING TRACK GRAFTON—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 1302 WATER SECURITY—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

1303 WATER SHORTAGES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- GAMBLING ADDICTION REDUCTION MEASURES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 1305 ENGINEERING REGISTRATION SCHEME—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 1306 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REDUCTION MEASURES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- \*1307 HILLSBOROUGH ROAD TRAFFIC LIGHTS—Ms Jodie Harrison asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

When will traffic lights at the intersection of Hillsborough Road and Crockett St Hillsborough be installed?

Answer—

I am advised:

The timing on upgrade work at the intersection of Hillsborough Road and Crockett Street, Hillsborough is subject to investigations and will be confirmed upon finalisation.

- 1308 ASBESTOS-FREE SCHOOLS IN CHARLESTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- \*1309 SYDNEY TRAINS STAFF INCIDENT RESPONSE AND SUPPORT—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) What training are Sydney trains station staff provided in:
    - (a) First aid;
    - (b) Mental health:
    - (c) Suicide prevention?
  - (2) What is the duty of care from these workers to commuters who may be injured, or who may have attempted self-harm or suicide at a Sydney Trains station, facility or train line?
  - (3) What is the response procedure in these instances?
  - (4) What is the reporting procedure in these instances?
  - (5) What post-event support is provided to workers who have witnessed a suicide or attempted suicide?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1) Sydney Trains' Duty Managers and incident responders receive first aid training through the Transport for NSW training facility at Petersham. It includes both initial and refresher training.

Frontline leaders are provided with mandatory mental health programs, including providing support after trauma, mental health awareness, strategies, and mental health first aid for the suicidal person.

There is a mix of mandatory and non-mandatory mental health programs for front-line staff designed to raise mental health and suicide awareness, and resilience.

Suicide awareness training for station staff is being rolled out. It begins in October, with further sessions from early December 2019 and into 2020.

Sydney Trains holds two R U OK? days annually. An industry-wide event each April focuses on engaging rail staff in conversations about their emotional and mental status, including employees who have been exposed to self-harm incidents on the rail network.

The R U OK? Day in September is the national day of action reminding employees to check in with each other.

(2) Sydney Trains takes seriously the impact of critical incidents on the mental health of our customers, employees and stakeholders. Sydney Trains encourages customers who have witnessed a suicide on the network to seek support through their General Practitioner (GP), Beyond Blue, or Lifeline. Medicare provides up to ten free sessions with a mental health care professional through a referral from a GP. This approach provides a continuity of care, and provides individuals with local access to services backed with support from their GP.

- (3) Sydney Trains has a Response Guide at all hubs and stations that is taught to all station staff. The Guide provides the required actions for staff to take in response to critical incidents.
- (4) Staff report incidents that impact rail operations using two systems the Incident Information Management System and the Rail Emergency Management system. These

produce reports for viewing by senior management.

(5) Sydney Trains has a comprehensive Critical Incident Support Procedure which details responsibilities and services available in the event of such an incident. It is mandatory for managers to apply the Procedure when workers have witnessed a suicide or attempted suicide.

This ensures staff are provided with access to post-incident support by specialist trauma psychologists via the Sydney Trains Employee Assistance Program. This assistance is available 24/7, and trauma support is provided within two hours in metropolitan areas.

- \*1310 REPORTS OF ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CYCLISTS OR PEDESTRIANS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
  - (1) How many reports of accidents involving cyclists or pedestrian incidents have been reported to Crimestoppers in each of the 2014-15 to 2018-19 financial years?
  - (2) In each of these years, how many incidents have been investigated following a report to Crimestoppers?
  - (3) In each of these years, how many investigations have resulted in convictions of drivers for incidents involving pedestrians and cyclists following a report to Crimestoppers?
  - (4) If a citizen reports an incident to Crimestoppers and provides the license plate details of an alleged incident, how is that data recorded and used?
    - (a) Is the report attached to the motorists' registration or license?
  - (5) In the event that multiple such events are recorded against a motorist, what action is taken?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1)

2014-15	40
2015-16	26
2016-17	48
2017-18	29
2018-19	37

- (2) to (3) This data is not available, as the Crime Stoppers reporting system is not directly linked to the NSW Police Force Computerised Operating Policing System.
- (4) All information provided by an informant to Crime Stoppers is recorded. Information is referred to Police Area Commands and Police Districts to be used as part of their

investigations.

- (a) No, as registration and licencing details are recorded by Roads and Maritime Services systems.
- (2) Police have a number of options when dealing with motorists who have been identified as committing offences against a cyclist or pedestrian depending on the circumstances. These may include:
- · Issuing the motorist with a caution
- · Issuing the motorist with an infringement notice, or
- Charging the motorist with the relevant offence.
- OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS PROVIDERS LEASES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- \*1312 REGION 6 BUSES—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) How many short buses are in operation in Region 6 now as opposed to June 30 2018 (as at 19 September 2019)?
  - (2) How many extended buses are in operation in Region 6 now as opposed to June 30 2018 (as at 19 September 2019)?
  - (3) How much is a driver paid per hour for driving a short bus as opposed to an extended bus?

Answer-

#### I am advised:

- (1) 530 standard two-door city buses were contracted into Region 6 to operate services from 1 July 2018. As at 19 September 2019, 556 standard two-door city buses (including four battery electric buses) are in operation.
- (2) 68 high capacity articulated buses were contracted into Region 6 to operate services from 1 July 2018. This figure is unchanged as at 19 September.
- (3) Drivers are paid a shift allowance in accordance with their Award when they are rostered to drive a high capacity articulated bus.
- \*1313 REGION 6 BUSES ON-TIME RUNNING—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

What changes have been made to the methodology used to calculate on-time running on Region 6 buses?

Answer-

I am advised:

The methodology used to calculate the publicly reported Contract 6 service on-time running is the same process as is used for all other bus service contracts.

- \*1314 TRANSIT SYSTEMS BUS DRIVERS—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) How many bus drivers of experienced standing (5 or more years) have left Transit Systems in the past year (to 19 September 2019) since they took over the contract for Region 6 bus services?
  - (2) How much has the Government spent on funding traineeships at Transit Systems since they took over the contract for Region 6 bus services?
  - (3) Will the Minister intervene to ensure Transit Systems retains on-on-one training for trainee drivers?
  - (4) How does the Government monitor the quality of training and the duration of driving time by trainees?

#### Answer—

- (1) From the Contract 6 services commencement to 19 September 2019, 72 bus drivers with greater than five years' experience retired from or otherwise left Transit Systems West.
- (2) Transport for NSW (TfNSW) does not fund traineeships at Transit Systems West.
- (3) TfNSW contracts experienced bus companies to provide the operation of services. These companies have fully developed training programs for their drivers, which vary according to the new employee's experience and licencing status. Transit Systems also provides driver class room, group and one-on-one road driving training to its new employee drivers.
- (4) TfNSW contracts reputable companies with demonstrated experience in operating bus operations, who must hold Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) Bus Operator Accreditation and demonstrate capacity to operate bus operations in accordance with the Conditions set out in legislation.
- \*1315 BUS FARE PAYMENT—Ms Jo Haylen asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) What is the estimated number of passengers that do not tap on or off on Region 6 bus services now as opposed to 30 June 2018 (as at 19 September 2019)?
    - (a) How is this measured?
  - (2) What are the official responsibilities of bus drivers to manage payment of fares on bus routes?

Answer-

I am advised:

- (1) Transport for NSW's publicly available bi-annual Fare Compliance Survey shows that fare compliance has increased in Region 6 from 94.2 per cent in May 2018 to 97.1 per cent in May 2019.
- (2) Bus drivers are responsible for ensuring customers tap their Opal card, credit card, debit card, or linked device on the Opal reader, or purchase a ticket, to pay their fare. Bus companies instruct their drivers that, if a customer refuses to purchase a ticket or tap on, the driver should politely remind the customer that it is an offence not to pay a fare and they may be fined if a Transport Officer or Police Officer boards the bus.

- 1316 CANTERBURY RACECOURSE MEETINGS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- 1317 REGIONAL RAIL TRAILS IN TOURISM GRANT APPLICATIONS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
- 1318 LAKE MACQUARIE DEVELOPMENT WATER RESOURCES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1319 GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO ALLEVIATE FLOOD MITIGATION PROBLEMS IN WALLSEND CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- \*1320 SYDNEY TO NEWCASTLE TRAINS CONGESTION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—

What efforts are being made to ease congestion for Sydney to Newcastle commuters utilising train services?

Answer-

I am advised:

The Government invested \$1.5 billion into the first stage of the More Trains More Services program to deliver improvements across the network. This included timetable improvements for customers on the Central Coast and Newcastle Line.

In August 2016, a \$2.3 billion contract for the new fleet of intercity trains was awarded to deliver a new level of comfort and convenience to customers from the South Coast, Blue Mountains, Central Coast and Newcastle.

In February 2019, RailConnect was contracted to build and maintain an additional 42 carriages, increasing the contract value to \$2.43 billion. This includes the cost of 554

carriages and maintenance for the first 15 years. This increase was funded through the More Trains More Services program.

The 2019-20 budget ensures progress on the New Intercity Fleet, with \$812 million.

- WALLSEND ELECTORATE ASBESTOS IN SCHOOLS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- \*1322 FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STAFF ASSESSING ELECTIVE SURGERY CANDIDATES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) What is the average number of full-time equivalent (FTE) staff in a public hospital involved in assessing candidates for elective surgery once a General Practitioner refers their case?
    - (a) How many FTE staff are employed at the John Hunter Hospital in this role?

Answer-

Local health districts and hospitals vary staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need at any point in time.

\*1323 ELECTIVE SURGERY TRIAGE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

How is a candidate for elective surgery triaged when their general practitioner refers their case to the public health system?

Answer-

General practitioners do not refer patients onto the elective surgery list in New South Wales public hospitals. General practitioners can refer patients to outpatient clinics ln New South Wales public hospitals and to surgeons' consultation rooms with the appropriate expertise.

1324 CAPITAL FUNDING FOR SCHOOL PROJECTS AND FACILITY UPGRADES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

\*1325 HUNTER ROAD NETWORKS POTENTIAL ROAD CONGESTION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

What efforts are being made to ensure Hunter road networks avoid potential road congestion if both stage five of the inner city bypass and the redevelopments of the John Hunter Hospital proceed at the same time?

#### Answer-

Health Infrastructure and Transport for New South Wales are working closely to identify both interim and long term solutions to help address and relieve congestion on the John Hunter Hospital campus.

- 1326 NORTHERN NSW FOOTBALL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
- 1327 PACIFIC HIGHWAY WORKS CENTRAL COAST—Mr David Mehan to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 1328 BANKSTOWN LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL SECLUSION RATE AND PHYSICAL RESTRAINT EVENTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research representing the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women—
- \*1329 REMOVAL OF CARDIAC SURGERY FROM SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL RANDWICK—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) What is the plan for health care delivery, for both mother and child, when there is no longer a cardiac services in the Sydney Children's Hospital Randwick (SCH) on the same campus as the only female specific hospital (the Royal Hospital for Women) in New South Wales?
  - (2) If cardiac surgery is removed from SCH, will the child born at the Royal Hospital for Women (RHW) be transferred to Westmead hospital for emergency cardiac surgery?
    - (a) Will the mother of the child born at RHW be transferred from RHW to a non-female specific hospital in Westmead?

#### Answer—

A decision about cardiac surgery services across the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network will be made in due course. Any decision made will be within the broader context of the governance of the Network and planning objectives for paediatric services statewide, given that the vast majority of children presenting to hospitals in New South Wales are seen outside the two children's hospitals in Sydney.

- \*1330 REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE OF THE SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL NETWORK—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) Given that governance of the cardiac service was such a huge issue for the Sydney Children's Hospital network and in particular for Sydney Children's Hospital at Randwick. Why was governance of the networked cardiac service excluded from their recent review?
    - (a) Who made the decision to exclude governance from the review?
    - (b) When was the decision made to exclude governance from the review?
    - (c) Why was the exclusion not communicated to staff until after all submissions had being taken and the first draft report written?

#### Answer-

- (1) (a-b) As cardiac surgery services across the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network were already subject to a separate review process these were not in scope of the Governance review.
- (c) The draft Terms of Reference were provided to the Medical Staff Councils of both Sydney Children's Hospitals, Randwick and The Children's Hospital at Westmead, as well as a range of other stakeholders, for comment and feedback before finalisation. The final Terms of Reference were then issued to all staff of the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network.
- \*1331 CARDIAC PAEDIATRIC SURGERY—Dr Marjorie O'Neill asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

How will the Minister ensure that sick and vulnerable children are able to access the health care they need, considering that if cardiac paediatric surgery is removed from Sydney Children's Hospital Randwick then patients will be dependent on the arrival of a team from Westmead which will take hours to organise?

#### Answer-

1) Patient safety is the priority of New South Wales Health. Transfer between facilities occurs on a daily basis across New South Wales Health as part of providing care. Each decision is made on an individual basis, taking into account the clinical situation of the patient, the most appropriate transport mode and the support available at the sending and receiving hospitals. Specialist retrieval personnel are consulted as required.

A decision about cardiac surgery services across the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network will be made in due course. Any decision made will be within the broader governance context of the Network and planning objectives for paediatric services statewide, given that the vast majority of children presenting to hospitals in New South Wales are seen outside the two children's hospitals in Sydney.

- 1332 PENSIONER CONCESSIONS LOCAL COUNCIL RATES—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 1333 AIR CONDITIONING INSTALLATION COOLER CLASSROOMS LISMORE ELECTORATE—Ms Janelle Saffin to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1334 PUBLIC SECTOR JOB RELOCATION TO ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Premier—
- \*1335 PICTON ROAD UPGRADE—Mr Paul Scully asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) Is the Government aware of Infrastructure Australia's conclusion in its recent Crowding and Congestion report published in August 2019 which notes that without an upgrade to Picton Road the Illawarra Region would find itself relatively isolated from the benefits of business investment and employment growth around Sydney's second airport?
  - (2) What is the Government's response to this Infrastructure Australia report?
  - (3) Has the Government costed the upgrade of the Picton Road to a dual carriageway at anytime since March 2011?
    - (a) If not, why not?
    - (b) If so, what was the estimated cost?

#### Answer-

I am advised:

Please refer to the response to Budget Estimates supplementary questions 596-599.

- 1336 GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY RELOCATIONS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- ASSET SALES IN ILLAWARRA ELECTORATES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- \*1338 FORESTRY CORPORATION PRIVATISATION—Mr Paul Scully asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—
  - (1) Is the Deputy Premier aware of published comments by Snowy Valleys Council Mayor, James Hayes, in the Tumut & Adelong Times on 17 September 2019 urging the Government to "hasten slowly" on its plans to privatise Forestry Corporation?
    - (a) If so, has he responded to the Mayor's concerns, particularly in regard to jobs?
    - (b) If not, when will he do so?

#### Answer-

- (1)(a) The Government is assessing options for the future of the Forestry Corporation's softwood operations. No decision will be made before the outcomes of this process are known, and the interests of all relevant stakeholders carefully considered.
- (b) See answer above.
- 1339 ENERGY EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR GOVERNMENT-LEASED BUILDINGS—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

GWYNNEVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- 1342 YEAR 12 COMPLETION RATES—Mr Paul Scully to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- \*1343 GOSFORD HOSPITAL STAFF ABSENCES—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) What strategies are in place to cover staff absence during "spike periods" such as during winter?
  - (2) What is done to ensure the authentication of staffing data from wards?
  - (3) What is the total sick leave days taken by nurses at Gosford Hospital in each year from 2014-15 to 2018-19 (as at 19 September 2019)?

Answer-

Unplanned absences are routinely replaced through strategies such as the use of overtime, additional hours worked by part time employees and the provision of casual or agency staff. Additionally, planned staff leave is minimised over the winter period. I am advised that sick leave absences this year have been in line with expectations.

Daily staffing is checked and verified with Nursing Unit Managers or Team Leaders, and reviewed within the District.

- \*1344 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PATIENT TRANSFERS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) How much does the Department of Health pay Toll for managing patient transfers?
  - (2) How was this agreement reached?

Answer-

This information is available on the New South Wales Government tenders website.

- \*1345 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORTING TO GENERAL PRACTITIONERS CENTRAL COAST—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) Does the department monitor reporting of domestic violence incidents to general practitioners?
    - (a) If so, how many reports were made to general practitioners on the Central Coast in the last two years (as at 19 September 2019)?

Answer-

No. Funding and delivery of General Practitioners (GP) and primary health care is the responsibility of the Commonwealth.

\*1346 GOSFORD HOSPITAL TELESTROKE SUPPORT—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

What is the additional cost to Gosford Hospital for the provision of telestroke information and support to the mid-north coast pilot program?

Answer—

The Central Coast Local Health District has not incurred any additional cost in participating in the pilot project.

- \*1347 GOSFORD HOSPITAL CARPARK—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) What is the total income received from the Gosford Hospital carpark month by month since opening (as at 19 September 2019)?
    - (a) Based on total income to date, when will the Gosford Hospital carpark receive such combined income as to equal its cost?
  - (2) What specific projects has the Government identified to commit funds to, as per the Hospital Car Parking Fees Policy?

Answer-

(1) Carpark revenue collection is recorded at a District level.

- (2) All revenue from car parking is used to provide frontline health services. Funds are allocated in line with the 'Hospital Car Parking Fees Policy: Campuses which are subject to car parking development' (section 6.4).
- WOMEN'S FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research representing the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women—
- \*1349 GOSFORD HOSPITAL WORKPLACE INJURIES—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

How many registered workplace injuries occurred at Gosford Hospital in each financial year from 2014-15 to 2018-19?

Answer—

Information on Workers' Compensation claims is published in the New South Wales Health Annual Report.

- 1350 REGIONAL YOUTH TASKFORCE CENTRAL COAST REPRESENTATIVES—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research representing the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women—
- \*1351 DENTAL CARE GOSFORD WYONG HOSPITALS—Ms Liesl Tesch asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) What is the current waitlist time for dental care at Gosford and Wyong Hospitals?
  - (2) How many oral therapists are employed by the Gosford and Wyong Hospitals?
  - (3) What consultation occurred with existing mobile dental services before the Government announced its policy for its own mobile dental service?

#### Answer-

- (1) Public dental patients are prioritised for care according to criteria that prioritises emergency situations, as well as patient groups in most need and at highest risk of disease. Data is regularly updated and can be accessed online. Wait times are allocated according to a patient's clinical urgency, with the most urgent patients seen first. Patients requiring emergency care are treated immediately and are not placed on a list.
- (2) The Oral Health Service employs a mix of Dental Officers and Oral Health Therapists to deliver clinical care. Local health districts and hospitals vary staffing profiles and numbers to appropriately meet operational need at any point in time.
- (3) To complement existing services, on 20 March 2019 the Government announced an investment of \$70 million over the next four years to provide 35 new mobile dental clinics, for up to 136,000 primary school children each year in New South Wales. The roll out of the 35 mobile dental clinics will be gradual in the Mid North Coast, Central Coast and Western Sydney over the next four years. An evaluation of the program will inform future Government decisions.
- \*1352 NELSON STREET FAIRFIELD UPGRADE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) Considering the Coalition committed to the upgrade of Nelson Street, Fairfiled in the lead up to the 2019 NSW State Election, what is the scope of the upgrades?
    - (a) What is the projected cost for these upgrades?
    - (b) When are the works projected to commence?
    - (c) What is the projected completion date for these works?

#### Answer-

I am advised:

The New South Wales Government has announced an extra \$450 million commitment to the Pinch Point Program, which includes twelve locations. The Nelson Street-Horsley Drive intersection at Fairfield is the only part of Nelson Street being upgraded, under the Pinch Point Program funding.

Upon funding being approved for this intersection, both the investigation and design work will commence. After the investigation, the cost and timing of the Nelson Street- Horsley Drive intersection upgrade will be confirmed.

- 1353 FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE GOVERNMENT LAND—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Water,
- 1354 ASBESTOS RELATED INFRINGEMENTS CUMBERLAND—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- 1355 ASBESTOS DUMPING CUMBERLAND—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- 1356 ASBESTOS RELATED INFRINGEMENTS FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- 1357 SCHOOL AIR CONDITIONING FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1358 VILLAWOOD GOVERNMENT-OWNED VACANT LAND—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- 1359 ASBESTOS DUMPING FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- \*1360 BANKSTOWN LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL ELECTIVE SURGERY WAIT TIMES—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Considering the recent Bureau of Health Information data that wait times for elective surgeries at Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital exceed peer group wait times, how will this be addressed?

Answer—

Property and Housing—

Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital has mechanisms and systems in place to manage all patients in accordance with the New South Wales Health Waiting Times and Elective Surgery Policy.

\*1361 BANKS HOUSE ACUTE ADULT MENTAL HEALTH UNIT WORKS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

What upgrades have been made and/or what works have been ongoing at the Acute Adult Mental Health Unit (Banks House) at Bankstown since June 2018 (as at 19 September 2019)?

Answer—

I refer the Member to the answer to Health and Medical Research Budget Estimates Supplementary Questions 68-69 lodged on 1 October 2019.

- \*1362 NEW BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL SITE SELECTION PROCESS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) Considering the response to LA Q128 regarding the land allocation for the new Bankstown Hospital that 'the site selection process will include comprehensive evaluation criteria and will be informed by assessments undertaken by expert independent advisers. The process will also be informed by clinical services planning which is underway to determine the future health needs of the community', what are the particulars of the comprehensive evaluation criteria that will be included in the site selection process?
    - (a) Who will comprise the expert independent advisers that will undertake this?

#### Answer-

I refer the Member to the answer to Health and Medical Research Budget Estimates Supplementary Questions 41-48 lodged on 1 October.

- 1363 WRAN LEISURE AND AQUATIC CENTRE VILLAWOOD—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- \*1364 ACUTE ADULT MENTAL HEALTH UNIT (BANKS HOUSE) KEY PROJECTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

Can the Minister provide details about key projects that have been allocated funding from the \$700 million that was allocated in the 2018-19 State Budget for the Statewide Mental Health Infrastructure Program at the Acute Adult Mental Health Unit (Banks House) at Bankstown?

Answer-

I refer the Member to the answer to Health and Medical Research Budget Estimates Supplementary Questions 68-69 lodged on 1 October 2019.

- \*1365 NEW BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL COMMUNITY CONSULTATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) With reference to the response provided to LA Q128 regarding the community consultation for the new Bankstown Hospital, what is the timeframe for this consultation?
  - (2) How many information drop-in sessions will be held?
  - (3) By which process will consumers and the local community be able to participate in project user groups?
  - (4) What other avenues will be available to consumers and the local community to provide feedback?

#### Answer—

I refer the Member to the answer to Health and Medical Research Budget Estimates Supplementary Question 49 lodged on 1 October 2019.

\*1366 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAIT TIMES AT BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL—Ms
Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

How does the Government intend to address the increasing emergency department wait-times at Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital given the recent Bureau of Health Information data that 47.6 per cent of patients at Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital do not start treatment within the clinically recommended time frames?

#### Answer—

On 10 March 2019 our Premier, the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP, announced the New South Wales Government will redevelop Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital on a new site with a \$1.3 billion investment. The new hospital will deliver comprehensive healthcare, including emergency medicine, surgical services and critical care to the growing population of south-western Sydney.

In response to increasing demand, Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital Emergency Department (ED) is currently being enhanced as part of a \$25 million redevelopment.

- 1367 WRAN LEISURE AND AQUATIC CENTRE MAINTENANCE ASSISTANCE SPORT—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
- 1368 VILLAWOOD GOVERNMENT-OWNED VACANT LAND HOUSING—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

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- NARRABRI COURT HOUSE—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- 1370 DECOMMISSIONING OF THE MENINDEE TO BROKEN HILL PIPELINE AND IMPACT ON LANDHOLDERS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1371 HEIGHT OF THE NEW WILCANNIA WEIR—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1372 LEETON HOSPITAL DOCTOR—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1373 GROUNDWATER LICENCES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1374 REGIONAL TAX EXEMPTION—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Treasurer—
- 1375 APPLICATIONS FOR DISASTER RELIEF FUNDING RECEIVED BY THE RURAL ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales—

- 1376 IMPLEMENTATION OF PERFORMANCE AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1377 EDUCATION FUNDING IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1378 DECLINE IN NAPLAN RESULTS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1379 IMPROVING THE USE OF EVIDENCE TO FORM PLANS AND STRATEGIES—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1380 QUALITY SCHOOLS REFORM—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1381 FREIGHT TRANSPORT RESTRICTED BY NARROW MULYANDRY BRIDGE—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 1382 EQUITY OF OPPORTUNITY IN RURAL AND REMOTE SCHOOLS—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1383 REOPENING OF THE BRIDLE TRACK—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads—
- 1384 PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS SALARY WAGE CAP EXEMPTION—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1385 BUILDINGS IN LIVERPOOL ON THE COMBUSTIBLE CLADDING REGISTER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- 1386 DELAY OF STATUTORY REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
- 1387 ORAL CARE LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1388 SENIOR SAVERS CARD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Customer Service—
- 1389 RECRUITMENT OF NSW CRIME COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- 1390 AUSTRALIAN LATIN AMERICA SOLIDARITY ARCHIVE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier representing the Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 1391 COMBUSTIBLE CLADDING LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1392 JOB LOSSES AT SERVICE NSW LIVERPOOL CENTRE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Customer Service—
- 1393 PROPOSED ADDITIONAL COMMUTER CARPARK AT EDMONDSON PARK RAILWAY STATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1394 CANCELLATION OF BUS SERVICES—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1395 MAINTENANCE OF STORM DRAINS IN THE COOGEE ELECTORATE—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1396 SCHOOL FENCING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- 1397 CHANGES TO CATCHMENTS FOR PUBLIC PRIMARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1398 15-19 CROWN STREET WOLLONGONG REDEVELOPMENT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1399 HOUSING NSW HEAD LEASES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

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- 1400 DIALYSIS PATIENTS IN POSTCODE 2293—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1401 VOUCHERS UNDER NSW ORAL HEALTH FEE FOR SERVICE SCHEME—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1402 SCHOOL MAINTENANCE IN WENTWORTH SHIRE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1403 LEETON DISTRICT HOSPITAL NURSE ABUSE INCIDENTS—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1404 OUTSOURCING OF STERILISATION SERVICES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1405 COUNCIL RATES REBATES FOR PENSIONERS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 1406 ASBESTOS REMOVAL IN SCHOOLS IN SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1407 REGION 6 BUSES LIVERY—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1408 TEMPE STATION WORKS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1409 PROPOSED HARBOUR BRIDGE BICYCLE RAMP—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1410 SYDNEY TRAINS INFRINGEMENTS—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1411 ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS IN REGIONAL AND RURAL COMMUNITIES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
- 1412 CONTAMINATED RECYCLING WASTE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
- 1413 UNDERQUOTING IN SUMMER HILL ELECTORATE—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
- 1414 PLANNING PROPOSAL IN BONDI JUNCTION STRATEGIC MERIT—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
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- 1431 COOKS RIVER—Ms Sophie Cotsis to ask the Minister for Local Government—
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- 1574 RAMIFICATIONS OF VICTORIAN WATER POLICY FOR NEW SOUTH WALES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
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- 1582 PIPELINES AND TREATMENT PLANTS BUILT SINCE MARCH 2011—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
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- 1661 LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAIT TIMES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
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- 1666 RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 378 BUS ROUTE—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
- 1667 WATER SAVING SCHEMES—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
- 1668 MAMMOGRAM MACHINE FOR ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN—Dr Marjorie O'Neill to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1669 SHOALHAVEN HOSPITAL MENTAL HEALTH UNIT TEMPORARY CLOSURE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1670 BLACKTOWN AND MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITALS SURGICAL SERVICES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1671 KEIRA PUBLIC SCHOOLS DEMOUNTABLES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- 1672 CLADDING ON GOSFORD HOSPITAL—Ms Liesl Tesch to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- 1673 CONSULTATION ON CHANGES TO THE EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Treasurer—

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1674 DROUGHT RELIEF SMALL BUSINESS LOW INTEREST LOANS—Mr Roy Butler to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

Is funding allocated for low interest loans up to \$50,000 to be offered to small businesses in rural communities affected by the drought, to be used to offset costs associated with stock and wages, so that small business owners can continue to trade during this time of economic uncertainty?

- 1675 HUDSON PEAR ERADICATION PLAN FUNDING-Mr Roy Butler to ask the Minister for Agriculture and Western New South Wales-
  - (1) Is funding allocated for a comprehensive Hudson Pear eradication plan, considering Hudson Pear has stripped the value of infested land in Western New South Wales and, if left unchecked, has the potential to reduce the viability of agricultural enterprises?
    - (a) If so, what level of funding is allocated?
- MEDICAL EQUIPMENT COSTS PATIENTS CAMPBELLTOWN AND CAMDEN HOSPITALS—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research-
  - (1) Why did Campbelltown and Camden Hospitals implement a policy to charge patients for items such as crutches, cam boots, shoulder immobilisers and knee immobilisers from 3 June 2019?
  - (2) Has this policy been implemented at other hospitals?
    - (a) If so, which ones?
  - (3) Is there access to a concession charge for pensioners for the mentioned items?
  - (4) What is the cost price paid by the hospitals for the following items:
    - (a) Crutches;
    - (b) Cam boot;
    - (c) Shoulder immobiliser;
    - (d) Knee immobiliser?
  - (5) Since 3 June 2019, what are the total costs charged to patients at Campbelltown and Camden Hospitals for the following items:
    - (a) Crutches;
    - (b) Cam boots:
    - (c) Shoulder immobilisers:
    - (d) Knee immobilisers?
- HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Anoulack Chanthivong to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

Considering my correspondence to you dated 6 May 2019, will I receive advice on a suitable time for a meeting to discuss the future of Hurlstone Agricultural High School at Glenfield?

- NARRANDERA TO TOCUMWAL RAIL LINE REOPENING FEASIBILITY CONFIDENTIALITY DECISION—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) When was Narrandera Shire Council first informed of the decision to make the Narrandera to Tocumwal Rail Line Reopening Feasibility Study confidential?
  - On what date did the Government decide the report was to be confidential?
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEDIA POLICIES—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Local Government-
  - (1) How did Narrandera Shire Council and Griffith City Council factor the principles of free speech, good governance and democracy into their media policies which prevent councillors from speaking to the media on council matters?
  - (2) What are the guiding principles regarding media statements on council matters by elected councillors?
- NARRANDERA TO TOCUMWAL RAIL LINE REOPENING FEASIBILITY STUDY COMMERCIAL-IN-CONFIDENCE—Mrs Helen Dalton to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) Which paragraphs of the Narrandera to Tocumwal Rail Line Reopening Feasibility Study have been deemed to be commercial-in-confidence?
  - (2) Why can the Government not redact the paragraphs deemed commercial-in-confidence and then publically release the study?
- ORANGE SQUASH CENTRE—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Treasurer—

Will you consider allocating \$400,000 in whole funding, or co-contribution funding, from the 11.1 per cent of funds which remain unpaid by the Government to rural and regional New South Wales infrastructure projects, from the Restart NSW Fund, for the construction of a six-court squash centre at the Waratah Sports Club in Orange?

1682 MOUNT CANOBOLAS MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS PROJECT—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Treasurer—

Will you consider allocating \$7 million in whole funding, or \$5 million in partial funding, from the 11.1 per cent of funds which remain unpaid by the Government to rural and regional New South Wales infrastructure projects, from the Restart NSW Fund, for the construction of the Mount Canobolas Mountain Bike Trails project?

1683 ORANGE REGIONAL CONSERVATORIUM AND PLANETARIUM—Mr Philip Donato to ask the Treasurer—

Will you consider allocating \$15 million from the 11.1 per cent of funds which remain unpaid by the Government to rural and regional New South Wales infrastructure projects, from the Restart NSW Fund, for the construction of a \$19 million Regional Conservatorium and Planetarium in Orange?

- 1684 GAME DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
  - (1) What support does the Government provide to the video game development industry through:
    - (a) funding grants programs;
    - (b) low cost loans or subsidies;
    - (c) research and development backing;
    - (d) conventions and trade missions;
    - (e) business development, training and mentoring;
    - (f) tax incentives or credits;
    - (g) support for 'serious games' in health, welfare and education; and/or
    - (h) other measures?
  - (2) Does the Government operate an interactive/video game advisory body to hear about industry needs?
  - (3) What advocacy has the Government carried out to build Commonwealth Government support for this industry; and
  - (4) What plans does the Government have to further support the interactive game industry?
- 1685 DRUG POSSESSION OFFENCES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence—
  - (1) When a person is issued with an on-the-spot fine for drug possession under the current trial, is a criminal conviction automatically recorded?
    - (a) If not, how is the offence recorded?
  - (2) What information about the offence is visible to potential employers, authorities and the police?
- 1686 AIR CONDITIONING INCENTIVES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
  - (1) Why has Air Conditioning Incentives stopped accepting new requests for discounted energy efficient air conditioners for households and small businesses?
  - (2) When was the program placed on hold?
  - (3) How many completed installations are being investigated for possible non-compliance?
- 1687 COOKS RIVER ECOLOGICAL MANAGEMENT—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—
  - (1) How much funding has been allocated to naturalising the banks of the Cooks River in each of the past eight financial years (as at 23 October 2019)?
  - (2) What projects are currently under consideration by Sydney Water to naturalise the banks of the Cooks River (as at 23 October 2019)?
    - (a) What is the proposed timeline for these works?
  - (3) How does Sydney Water and the Government intend to remove the concrete and steel that lines approximately 13 kilometres of the river's banks?
  - (4) What consultation has occurred with local councils and environment groups to progress the objective of removing the entirety of the concrete and steel lining the banks of the river?
- 1688 POKER MACHINE LICENCES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Customer Service—
  - (1) What data, metrics or determinates are used by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority to determine the number of poker machine licences allowed in New South Wales?

- (2) In the last five years, how many reviews have been conducted into the number of poker machine licences in New South Wales by the Independent Liquor and Gambling Authority (as at 23 October 2019)?
- (3) When is the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority holding the next review into the number of poker machine licences in New South Wales?
- (4) What are the parameters for the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority when conducting a review of the number of poker machine licences in New South Wales?
- (5) Who is consulted when the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority conducts a review of poker machine licences?
- 1689 SYDNEY METRO WEST PROJECT—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Transport and Roads—
  - (1) What tunneling will occur in Haberfield for the Sydney Metro West project?
  - (2) Considering the Government has announced railway station locations for the Sydney Metro West, when will it announce the indicative route for the project?
  - (3) Will homes be acquired in Haberfield to facilitate tunneling and construction for the Sydney Metro West project?
- 1690 CANNABIS REGULATION AND POLICING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
  - (1) Has the Government initiated planning to amend policing resources in communities abutting the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) if the ACT Government's decriminalisation of cannabis comes into effect on 31 January 2020 as planned?
    - (a) If so, what are these plans?
- 1691 SPRINTER RESEARCH GROUP EVALUATION OF ACTIVE KIDS PROGRAM—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
  - (1) What reports have been made by the Sprinter Research Group into the implementation and operation of the Active Kids program (as at 23 October 2019)?
  - (2) Are these reports publicly available?
    - (a) If not, why not?
  - (3) How is the evaluation of the program undertaken by the Sprinter Research Group?
    - (a) What are their findings?
  - (4) What has been the total amount paid to the Sprinter Research Group to conduct evaluations of the program?
- 1692 SCHOOL STUDENTS WELLBEING—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education representing the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
  - (1) When will the Department of Education report on its objective to improve student wellbeing in New South Wales high schools?
  - (2) What adjustments has the Department of Education made since the Auditor General reported in May 2019 that the wellbeing framework was hindered by a duplication of services and a lack of coordination?
  - (3) Given the Government's election promise to employ two mental health workers to every New South Wales high school, how many additional mental health staff have been hired?
    - (a) When will the promise be fulfilled?
  - (4) Of the total number of mental health workers in New South Wales high schools used to satisfy this election promise, how many are:
    - (a) Qualified psychologists;
    - (b) School counsellors;
    - (c) School chaplains?
- 1693 RECYCLING RATES—Ms Jo Haylen to ask the Minister for Energy and Environment—
  - (1) What is the Government's best estimate as to how many glass wine bottles are discarded for recycling each year in New South Wales?
  - (2) What is the Government's best estimate as to how many polyethylene terephthalate or plastic milk bottles are discarded for recycling each year in New South Wales?
  - (3) What is the Government's best estimate as to how many polyethylene terephthalate or plastic juice bottles are discarded for recycling each year in New South Wales?

- (4) What do each of the three items above contribute in terms of total yearly discarded waste in New South Wales?
- (5) For each item, what percentage ends up in:
  - (a) Recycling;
  - (b) Landfill;
  - (c) the Environment?
- 1694 SMART START INTERLOCKS COMPLAINTS—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—
  - (1) How many complaints has Fair Trading NSW received about Smart Start Interlocks or other alcohol interlock devices (as at 23 October 2019)?
    - (a) How many of these complaints have been found to be legitimate?
- 1695 DIGNITY SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION CONTRACTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
  - (1) Were contracts for the provision of supported accommodation in the South East of New South Wales, including the Bega Valley, awarded to Dignity in:
    - (a) 2017;
    - (b) 2018?
  - (2) If so:
    - (a) How much supported accommodation has been delivered to the South East Region of New South Wales, including the Bega Valley, under these contracts?
    - (b) Where was it delivered?
- 1696 REVIEW OF SOUTH EAST REGIONAL HOSPITAL RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTATION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
  - (1) Was the Ten Point Plan recommended by the reviewers in the 2017 Review of South East Regional Hospital conducted by Highlands Health Consulting (page 26 Chapter 8: Going Forward) adopted and implemented by the Government?
    - (a) If yes, what is the status of the implementation of each of these recommendations?
    - (b) If not, why not?
  - (2) Was a Project Manager appointed to work with the Local Health District to implement the recommendations, as suggested in the Review?
  - (3) Was an external follow up review conducted at six and twelve months to assess the implementation, as suggested in the Review?
- 1697 COMPULSORY THIRD PARTY INSURANCE FRAUD—Ms Lynda Voltz to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
  - (1) Were charges of Compulsory Third Party Insurance fraud proceeded with by NSW Police against Mr Marcel Joukhador?
    - (a) If not, when were the prosecutions dropped?
  - (2) Were any orders made for NSW Police to cover the legal costs of this case?
    - (a) If so, what was the amount of those costs?

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#### **Questions to Chairs of Committees**

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QCC 0001 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGE AND ETHICS—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Parliamentary Privilege and Ethics, Mr Peter Sidgreaves MP—

- (1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Parliamentary Privilege and Ethics (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?
  - (a) Where were each of those meetings held?
  - (b) What was the duration of each meeting (as recorded in the minutes)?
  - (c) What policy issues/other matters were discussed at each meeting?
- (2) On what date(s) are any future meetings of the Committee scheduled to be held?
- (3) Besides the meetings identified in part (1), what other activities have you engaged in as part of your role as Chair of the Committee?
- (4) On average, approximately how many hours per week do you spend completing work directly relating to your role as Chair of the Committee (not including work performed by your staff or Committee secretariat staff)?

QCC 0002 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENT, INDUSTRY AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Investment, Industry and Regional Development, Mr Justin Clancy MP—

- (1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Investment, Industry and Regional Development (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?
  - (a) Where were each of those meetings held?
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QCC 0003 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services, Ms Wendy Lindsay MP—

- (1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Community Services (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?
  - (a) Where were each of those meetings held?
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QCC 0004 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Transport and Infrastructure, Ms Robyn Preston MP—

- (1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Transport and Infrastructure (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?
  - (a) Where were each of those meetings held?

- (b) What was the duration of each meeting (as recorded in the minutes)?
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QCC 0005 LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SAFETY—Mr Greg Warren to ask the Chair of the Legislative Assembly Committee on Law and Order, Ms Wendy Tuckerman MP—

- (1) On what date(s) has the Legislative Assembly Committee on Law and Safety (the Committee) met since your appointment as Chair?
  - (a) Where were each of those meetings held?
  - (b) What was the duration of each meeting (as recorded in the minutes)?
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