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- 1048 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—MINISTER PROTOCOLS AT LOCAL MEETINGS—Mr Shoebridge to ask the Special Minister of State, Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts, Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—
- (1) What are the protocols or practices governing interactions between the Minister for Local Government and individual councils including attendance by the Minister at Local Council meetings and interactions during council meetings?
 - (2) Did the Minister inform the Council of her intention to attend the Council meeting on 11 February 2020?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (3) Did the Minister attend a meeting of Shoalhaven Council on 11 February 2020?
 - (a) If so was it in the Minister's capacity as the Minister for Local Government or some other capacity?
 - (b) If some other capacity what was that capacity?
 - (c) Was the Minister accompanied by any Ministerial or department staff?
 - (4) Did the Minister provide advice or guidance to any individual councillors during the Shoalhaven Council meeting on 11 February 2020?
 - (a) If so was that in the Minister's capacity as the Minister or some other capacity?
 - (b) If as a minister what was the advice provided and to which councillors?
- 1049 TREASURER—SYDNEY STARTUP HUB—Ms Jackson to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—
- (1) What is the current utilisation rate of the Sydney Startup Hub since it was created?
 - (2) How many start-ups are currently occupying space in the Sydney StartUp Hub as of February 2020?
 - (3) How much spare capacity is available at the Sydney Startup Hub as of February 2020?
- 1050 JOBS, INVESTMENT, TOURISM AND WESTERN SYDNEY—SYDNEY STARTUP HUB—Ms Jackson to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
- (1) What is the current utilisation rate of the Sydney Startup Hub since it was created?
 - (2) How many start-ups are currently occupying space in the Sydney StartUp Hub as of February 2020?
 - (3) How much spare capacity is available at the Sydney Startup Hub as of February 2020?
- 1051 CUSTOMER SERVICE—CHANGES TO NSW WARATAH LOGO DESIGN—Mr Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service—
- (1) How much did the Government spend on focus groups examining alternatives to the NSW Waratah Logo design in 2019 and 2020?
 - (2) How much did the Government spend on other research examining alternatives to the NSW Waratah Logo design in 2019 and 2020?
 - (3) Since March 2019, how much has the Government spent on merchandise related to the creation and use of the new Rainbow Waratah logo?
 - (4) Since March 2019, how much has the Government spent on logo replacement related to the creation and use of the new Rainbow Waratah logo?
 - (5) Since March 2019, how much has the Government spent on other activities related to the creation and use of the new Rainbow Waratah logo?

- 1052 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING PROGRAM—Mr Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) The Department of Education's website states that the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program "involves schools using an evidence-based problem solving framework". What is the evidence base showing that PBL achieves or contributes to improved academic results for students?
 - (2) On average for participating schools, how many classroom hours per week are used in teaching PBL?
 - (3) Which public schools using PBL since the beginning of the 2018 school year achieved higher average NAPLAN reading results that lifted them above the comparable schools measure on the My School website for 2019 NAPLAN?
 - (4) Which public schools using PBL since the beginning of the 2018 school year achieved higher average NAPLAN numeracy results that lifted them above the comparable schools measure on the My School website for 2019 NAPLAN?
- 1053 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—SCHOOL PLAN STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS—Mr Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) In the three Strategic Directions of their School Plans (2018-20), which NSW government schools list "Achieving Academic Growth" (or words of similar intent)
 - (2) Why has the school goal/strategic direction of achieving academic growth not been made compulsory in New South Wales government schools?
- 1054 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—NESA SPONSORSHIP—Mr Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) How much in sponsorship did the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) pay to support the "dedicated day for students in Years 9 to 12 on 29 April at the Sydney Writers Festival"?
 - (2) On what basis did NESA, in promoting the event in (1) above, describe Miranda Tapsell as "an acclaimed journalist and writer"?
 - (3) Did NESA sponsor the Sydney Writers Festival session by Bruce Pascoe and if so, how much did this cost?
 - (4) On what basis does NESA regard the fiction author in (3) above as being a credible source for New South Wales school students studying Australian history?
- 1055 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—CLOSURE OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS AND HEALTH SERVICES—Mr Primrose to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) How many New South Wales public hospitals or public health services have closed since 2011?
 - (2) What are the names of all New South Wales public hospitals or public health services that have closed since 2011?

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