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9724 POLICE—POLICE DOG DEPLOYMENT—Ms Abigail Boyd to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) How many total police dog deployments were recorded for each of the 6 month periods during the following calendar years:
 - (a) 2020?
 - (b) 2021?
 - (c) 2022 to date?
- (2) How many police dog deployments were recorded against people who identified as Indigenous or Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander for each of the 6 month periods during the following calendar years:
 - (a) 2020?
 - (b) 2021?
 - (c) 2022 to date?
- (3) How many injuries were recorded as a result of police dog deployments for each of the 6 month periods during the following calendar years:
 - (a) 2020?
 - (b) 2021?
 - (c) 2022 to date?
- (4) How many people, who identified as Indigenous and/or Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, recorded injuries as a result of police dog deployments for each of the 6 month periods during the following calendar years:
 - (a) 2020?
 - (b) 2021?
 - (c) 2022 to date?

9725 REGIONAL HEALTH—VALE POINT POWER STATION—The Hon. Penny Sharpe to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health—

- (1) What monitoring has the government undertaken to review any adverse health effects experienced by communities proximate to Vales Point Power Station?

9726 ENERGY—VALE POINT POWER STATION—The Hon. Penny Sharpe to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

- (1) Is there a clause in the original sale of Vales Point Power Station (VPPS) that makes the Government a party to consent on any on-sale of VPPS?
- (2) Will the sale of VPPS to Sev.En mean that VPPS will be able to continue past its scheduled 2027-2029 closure date?
 - (a) What representations has the Minister or Department made to confirm this?
- (3) What is the contractual agreement regarding who is responsible for the cost of clean-up and deconstruction of the site VPPS is located on?
- (4) How does the application to extend the Chain Valley & Mannering mines to 2029 align with VPPS' expected closure of 2027 when its air pollution exemptions expires?

- (5) Given that Chain Valley & Mannering mines are applying for mine extensions with an official subsidence calculation of 780mm why has the subsidence status been lifted from districts on the Central Coast?
- (6) Who is responsible for any/all of subsidence remediation costs caused by the mines extension?

9727 TRANSPORT—TRAFFIC LIGHT INSTALLATION—The Hon. Rose Jackson to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for Veterans, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) On what date did Transport for NSW receive a request from Newcastle council to approve the installation of traffic signals at the intersection of Clyde and Chinchin Streets, Islington?
 - (a) How many times was this request followed up with Transport for NSW?
 - (b) What caused the delays in approving this request?
 - (c) Is it normal practice for traffic signal requests to take this long to approve?
 - (d) The delays in approving the traffic signals have resulted in a dangerous intersection not being upgraded to improve safety at this location, does this concern the Minister?
 - (e) What action has the Minister taken to ensure these delays do not happen again?
 - (f) What can the Minister do to expedite the installation of the traffic signals?
- (2) Will Transport for NSW urgently work with Newcastle council to improve pedestrian safety at this location after a student was hit by a car?
 - (a) If not, why not?

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