

The Hon John Graham MLC

Special Minister of State, Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts,
Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, Minister for Jobs and Tourism,
Deputy Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council



Ref: LC Supplementary Question for Written Answer

Re: LC - SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER – COST OF SYDNEY METRO STAFF

Question asked on 14 August 2024

Answer due on 15 August 2024

Latham, Mark, to the Minister for Roads, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Music and the Night-time Economy, and Minister for Jobs and Tourism, representing the Minister for Transport

(1) What was the cost of the Sydney Metro workers in T shirts telling me that the Metro will open 'sometime'?

ANSWER

I am advised

Customer service street teams are deployed across the network to engage, inform and assist passengers when there are significant changes on the transport network. This includes in preparation of the new Metro City line.

The street teams address have been deployed to 17 locations. They answer individual customer questions, issues and queries that may not be delivered by advertising and other notifications. Importantly, they are able to effectively engage with culturally and linguistically diverse audiences in their language.

The customer service street team is funded from within the overall Sydney Metro project budget as part of Operational Communications with a cost of approximately \$560,000.

Sincerely,

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**Supplementary question for written response****Question**

The Hon. RACHEL MERTON on 14 August 2024 asked by way of supplementary question(s):

When did the Australian Red Cross first engage with the Government regarding lighting the Opera House red on the night of 14 August? When was the application refused? What reason was given to the Australian Red Cross for this refusal?

Answer

On Wednesday, 26 June this year Red Cross Australia approached my office regarding its request to light the Opera House Sails for its 110th Anniversary celebration on Tuesday, 13 August 2024.

The request was refused on Tuesday, 6 August 2024 by the Sydney Opera House, which manages these requests. My office wrote to Red Cross Australia on Wednesday, 7 August 2024 confirming the refusal.

The current policy is that applications by the public to light the Opera House Sails are generally not accepted.

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The Hon Penny Sharpe MLC

Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy,
Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage,
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SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN RESPONSE

CADIA GOLDMINE

QUESTION:

On 14 August 2024, Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC asked the Hon Penny Sharpe MLC, Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment and Minister for Heritage, the following supplementary question for written answer:

My supplementary question for written answer is directed to the Minister for the Environment. Has the Environment Protection Authority [EPA] tested for PFAS and/or PFOS from the samples collected in July from the Belubula River? What are the results?

ANSWER:

Yes. The sampling results will be provided to the community as soon as all sampling results are received and analysed (expected to be completed the week commencing 19 August).

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