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SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

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REGIONAL TRANSPORT & ROADS

Regional Roads Fund

- (1) What is the status of each of these 28 projects?
- (2) What is the expected spending per year of this fund over the forward estimates?
- (3) What were the results of TfNSW assurance or business cases applied to the 10 projects over \$10 million?
 - (a) Did any projects fail to meet a Business Case Ratio of 1?
 - i. Which projects were found to have a Business Case Ratio less than 1?

EnergyCo OSOM

- (4) Are there any accurate month by month projections for freight movements between Newcastle Port and the Renewable Energy Projects?
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- (6) The Central West Orana and New England REZ OSOM traffic routes implementation have commenced through road reclassification, what information and modelling does the Government have on the expected traffic route?
- (7) Why has the Denman Bridge infrastructure upgrade not been actioned as a more suitable route?
- (8) The reclass is complete but is there any study to understand the impact of increased OSOM on local traffic considering the roads are used to access Bengalla Mine, Mangoola Mine and Mount Pleasant Mines (workforce of over 4000 people)?
- (9) Does TfNSW have an overall OSOM transport plan that shows the proposed routes between Newcastle Port and the Central West Orana REZ as well as the New England REZ?
 - (a) Including timings of required infrastructure?

- (10) Does the traffic modelling show the number of movements per day and how long the road will be shutdown for to local traffic?
- (11) Does TfNSW anticipate that traffic will be stopped in both directions on regional and minor State roads when OSOM is taken through? If this is not known how could decision be already made?
- (12) When OSOM turns the corners on these roads, traffic will be completely stopped. How long is this expected to take since 95m loads cannot turn on these corners?
- (13) Will Wybong Road be upgraded to a 2+1 lane road to allow traffic to keep moving while OSOM is moved through? Who pays for this upgrade, EnergyCo?
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 - (a) Who pays for this upgrade, EnergyCo?
- (15) If the renewable rollout is urgent and critical to the state, how can we justify delaying the Muswellbrook Bypass project?
 - (a) If the tender process started now, it would only start construction in 18months, why the delay?

M1 Motorway ext

- (16) What does the decrease in funding FY23-24 to FY24-25 signify?
- (17) When is it expected to be open to traffic?
- (18) Why is TfNSW ignoring the extensive flood experience of locals which choosing to build a viaduct to construct the bridge over the Hunter river?
- (19) Is there a cost difference between the two construction methods?
 - (a) Why allow the contractor to change from the original method?
- (20) If TfNSW TUFLOW flood modelling is incorrect, what measures will be taken?
- (21) What is the current daily traffic flow across the Hexham bridge?
- (22) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles across the Hexham bridge?
- (23) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (24) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?

- (25) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (26) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (27) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (28) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Coffs Harbour Bypass

- (29) There is an almost 30% decrease in funding FY23-24 to FY24-25, is this consistent with its successful completion by 2026, and when will it be open to traffic?
- (30) Has the tunnelling begun, what is the sequence for tunnelling for the 3 tunnels?
- (31) What is the current daily traffic flow through Coffs Harbour along the existing Pacific Highway?
- (32) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through Coffs Harbour along the existing Pacific Highway?
- (33) Along the current stretch of the Pacific Hwy which the Bypass will replace, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (34) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (35) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (36) When is it expected to be open to the public?
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Singleton Bypass

- (40) Are there any unexpected delays or issues, and have they been communicated to the public?
- (41) Early works on site is ongoing, when will major works commence?
- (42) Of the properties compulsorily acquired, what was the value agreed in court against the proposed values by Transport NSW?

- (a) Why does there seem to be a large discrepancy between the values (most reports are TNSW offer is just one third of agreed value)
- (43) What is the Minister doing to ensure that benefits from the projects are spread to local businesses? For example, reports of an on-site food outlet on the construction compound will be provided to feed workers - which will severely impact local food & takeaway outlets.
- (44) Are there any unexpected delays or issues, and have they been communicated to the public?
- (45) When will major works commence?
- (46) What is the current daily traffic flow through Singleton along the existing New England Highway?
- (47) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through Singleton along the existing New England Highway?
- (48) Along the current stretch of the New England Hwy which the Bypass will replace, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (49) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (50) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
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Muswellbrook Bypass

- (55) Has this project been tendered, if not when?
- (56) When is the proposed start of construction/main works?
- (57) Has the deed been signed?
- (58) With Federal Minister King releasing a build Federal contribution of \$241.92M and the NSW Budget forecasting a 4 year expenditure of \$392.9M expenditure, what is the Federal/State funding agreement for this project?
- (59) What is the current daily traffic flow through Muswellbrook along the existing New England Highway?

- (60) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through Muswellbrook along the existing New England Highway?
- (61) Along the current stretch of the New England Hwy which the Bypass will replace, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (62) What is the current daily Energy Co heavy vehicle movement along the New England Highway heading to the New England REZ?
- (63) What is the projected daily Energy Co heavy vehicle movement along the New England Highway heading to the New England REZ?
- (64) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (65) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (66) When is it expected to be open to the public?
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- (68) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (69) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Mount Ousley

- (70) When are major works expected to commence on this project?
- (71) Why was there a delay to the road closures in August 2024?
- (72) Why isn't the Government listening to locals and the local council in their fight to keep the pedestrian bridge?
- (73) What is the current daily traffic flow through this interchange along the existing Mount Ousley Road?
- (74) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through this interchange along the existing Mount Ousley Road?
- (75) Along the current interchange, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (76) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (77) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (78) When is it expected to be open to the public?

- (79) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (80) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (81) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Newcastle Inner City Bypass

- (82) What is the status of the Rankin Park to Jesmond section project?
- (83) What is the current daily traffic flow through Lambton along Lookout Road?
- (84) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through Lambton along Lookout Road?
- (85) Along the current stretch of Lookout Road which the Bypass will replace, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (86) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (87) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (88) When is it expected to be open to the public?
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- (90) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (91) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Barton Hwy Stage 2

- (92) When will major works for Stage 2 – Kaveney's intersection commence?
- (93) What is the current daily traffic flow through this interchange along the existing Kaveney's Road?
- (94) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through this interchange along the existing Kaveney's Road?
- (95) Along the current interchange, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (96) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (97) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (98) When is it expected to be open to the public?

- (99) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (100) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (101) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Great Western Highway

- (102) Does the decrease in funding FY23-24 to FY24-25 meet community expectations on the completion of these projects?
- (103) How has the Government addressed the concerns of residents for the Medlow Bath works?
- (104) What is the current daily traffic flow along this Blue Mountains section of the Great Western Highway?
- (105) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this Blue Mountains section of the Great Western Highway?
- (106) Along this Blue Mountains section of the Great Western Highway, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (107) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (108) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
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- (112) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Picton Road upgrade

- (113) Should the community be concerned with the safety implications of a decrease in funding FY23-24 to FY 24-25?
- (114) When will major works commence on the Western section?
- (115) Has the Government explored accelerating this project in line with community needs?
- (116) What is the current daily traffic flow along this Western section of Picton Road?

- (117) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this Western section of Picton Road?
- (118) Along this Western section of Picton Road, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (119) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (120) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (121) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (122) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (123) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (124) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Pacific Hwy (Wyang) upgrade

- (125) When is the project approval stage expected?
- (126) What is the current daily traffic flow through Wyong Town Centre along the Pacific Highway?
- (127) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through Wyong Town Centre along the Pacific Highway?
- (128) Along the current stretch of Pacific Highway through Wyong Town Centre, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (129) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (130) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (131) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (132) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (133) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (134) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Bells Line Rd Slope Repair

- (135) Can we get a progress report, when is completion expected?

- (136) What is the current daily traffic flow along Bells Line Rd?
- (137) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Bells Line Rd?
- (138) Along Bells Line Rd, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (139) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (140) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (141) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (142) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (143) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (144) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Jervis Bay Rd intersection

- (145) When is project approval expected?
- (146) What is the current daily traffic flow along this section of the Princess Highway?
- (147) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this section of the Princess Highway?
- (148) Along this section of the Princess Highway, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (149) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (150) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (151) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (152) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (153) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (154) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Milton-Ulladale Bypass

- (155) Why was there a decrease in funding FY23-24 to FY24-25?
- (156) When is project approval expected?

- (157) What is the current daily traffic flow along the section of the Princess Highway to be bypassed?
- (158) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along the section of the Princess Highway to be bypassed?
- (159) Along this section of the Princess Highway to be bypassed, what is the yearly motor vehicle accidents?
- (160) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (161) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (162) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (163) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (164) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (165) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Mandalong Rd upgrade

- (166) Would you provide a progress report on this upgrade?
- (167) When do you expect to reach the project approval stage?
- (168) What is the current daily traffic flow along Mandalong Road?
- (169) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Mandalong Road?
- (170) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Mandalong Road?
- (171) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (172) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (173) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (174) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (175) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (176) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Central Coast-Tumbi Rds intersection

- (177) Has tendering been completed?

- (178) What is the current daily traffic flow using this intersection?
- (179) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles using this intersection?
- (180) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents while using this intersection?
- (181) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (182) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (183) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (184) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (185) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (186) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Regional Rail Fleet

- (187) When do we expect to receive the entire fleet yet?
- (188) When will these enter service?

Mariyung Fleet

- (189) Has the testing been completed?
- (190) Given we are in the second half of 2024, when will these enter service?

Fixing Country Rail

- (191) Where is the Gilgandra to Coonamble 25 TAL upgrade at?
- (192) Where is construction at with the Wumbulgal Siding?

Newell Hwy Narrabri-Moree upgrade

- (193) Can we get an update on this project, where is Section 3 and 5 at?
- (194) What is the current daily traffic flow along the Newell Highway between Narrabri and Moree?
- (195) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along the Newell Highway between Narrabri and Moree?
- (196) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along the Newell Highway between Narrabri and Moree?

- (197) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (198) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (199) When is it expected to be open to the public?
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- (201) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (202) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Giinigay Way-Valla Beach Rd intersection

- (203) Has this intersection been identified by Transport NSW as an intersection of concern?
- (204) How is the Government approaching the safety issues at this intersection?
- (205) What is the current daily traffic flow through this intersection?
- (206) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through this intersection?
- (207) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents at this intersection?

Light Rail extension into NSW

- (208) Is the Department pursuing the extension of Light Rail into NSW?
- (209) What discussion have been held with the Queensland Government?
- (210) What discussion have been held with the Australian Government about funding and coordination of this project?

Waterfall Way

- (211) Can you confirm that the removal of Thora traffic lights?
- (212) What is the status of the following sub-projects:
- (a) Newell to Sherrard Falls culvert repair work?
 - (b) Kotupna pavement repairs?
 - (c) Slope repairs near Thora?
 - (d) Myers Bluff slip repairs?
 - (e) Slope repairs at Timber Crib Wall?

(f) Deer Vale pavement repairs?

(213) Is Transport NSW currently looking at the alternate route from Dorrigo to Coffs Harbour through Megan for resilience purposes?

(214) What is the current daily traffic flow along Waterfall Way?

(215) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Waterfall Way?

(216) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Waterfall Way?

(217) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?

(218) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?

(219) When is it expected to be open to the public?

(220) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?

(221) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?

(222) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Kempsey-Armidale Rd reconstruction

(223) Can you provide an update into this project and when Armidale Council will award a tender for construction?

(224) Which 43km of the road has been selected for works?

(225) What is the current daily traffic flow along Kempsey to Armidale Rd?

(226) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Kempsey to Armidale Rd?

(227) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Kempsey to Armidale Rd?

(228) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?

(229) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?

(230) When is it expected to be open to the public?

Armidale Rd Reclassification

(231) Can you confirm the classification of the Armidale Rd remains a State Government responsibility?

(232) Can we get an update on the reclassification negotiations with Council?

- (233) What is the current daily traffic flow along Armidale Rd between Grafton and Ebor?
- (234) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Armidale Rd between Grafton and Ebor?
- (235) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Armidale Rd between Grafton and Ebor?

N.E. Hwy-Puddledock Rd intersection

- (236) Is Transport NSW aware of safety issues at the Puddledock Rd intersection?
- (237) Given the safety issues at this intersection, is a dedicated turn lane into Puddledock Rd proposed?
- (238) Can you provide an update on plans for this intersection?
- (239) What is the current daily traffic flow through this intersection?
- (240) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through this intersection?
- (241) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents at this intersection?

TfNSW Safer Drivers Course

- (242) What was the reasoning for the failure to renew their Safe Drivers Course contract, following the completion of the 3-year contract on the 30 Jun 2024?
- (243) What were the audit results, conducted by KPMG for TfNSW, into this business?
- (244) Can the Minister confirm all the other 28 providers had their contracts renewed, and Learn Drive Survive have been singled out for exclusion despite ranking #3 among all providers within the industry?

Goldfields Way-Olympic Hwy intersection

- (245) Can you please advise the possibility for Transport for NSW to change the sign at the intersection of Goldfields Way and Olympic HWY from a give way to a Stop Sign?
- (246) What is the current daily traffic flow through this intersection?
- (247) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through this intersection?
- (248) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents at this intersection?

Mitchell Hwy Overtaking Lanes

- (249) Minister, what is your response to the people that travel this stretch of the Mitchell Highway each and every day?
- (250) Will you provide the funding required for the overtaking lanes on the Mitchell Highway between Dubbo and Wellington to improve travel time and safety for motorists?
- (251) What is the current daily traffic flow along the Mitchell Highway between Dubbo and Wellington?
- (252) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along the Mitchell Highway between Dubbo and Wellington?
- (253) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along the Mitchell Highway between Dubbo and Wellington?

New Dubbo Bridge

- (254) Minister, can you provide assurance that this project will be delivered on time and on budget?
- (255) When is bridge deck concrete pour expected to commence?
- (256) What is the current daily traffic flow over the existing bridge?
- (257) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles over the existing bridge?
- (258) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (259) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (260) When is it expected to be open to the public?

Rail Maintenance Facility

- (261) Minister, this project was on track to be completed by late 2025. Is that still the case.
- (262) We know that trains have been delivered to the facility, when can we expect to see this process complete, if it isn't already?
- (263) Given the significance of this project and the community interest will there be an opportunity for the community to see and experience the facility firsthand?

Wybong Rd – OSOM

- (264) Minister, the Government's acknowledgement of the significantly increased OSOM vehicle movement along Bengalla and Wybong roads associated with access required to the Central West Orana and New England REZs through road reclassification, what information and

modelling does the Government have on the expected traffic along these roads during peak hours?

- (265) Has the Government communicated to the local community and local mining industry, the expected disturbance the increased traffic will generate?
- (266) What is the current daily traffic flow along Wybong Road?
- (267) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Wybong Road?
- (268) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Wybong Road?

Avoca Rd upgrade at Kincumber

- (269) When is project approval expected for the priority first stage?
- (270) When will major works commence?
- (271) What is the current daily traffic flow along Avoca Road at Kincumber?
- (272) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along Avoca Road at Kincumber?
- (273) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Avoca Road at Kincumber?
- (274) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (275) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
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- (277) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
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Newcastle Link-Minmi Rds intersection

- (280) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
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Hume Hwy-Marulan pavement rehab

- (292) Has this pavement rehabilitation project been completed?
- (293) What is the current daily traffic flow along this stretch of the Hume Highway?
- (294) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch of the Hume Highway?
- (295) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along this stretch of the Hume Highway?
- (296) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (297) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (298) When is it expected to be open to the public?
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- (302) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Pacific Hwy-Harrington Rd intersection

- (303) When is project approval expected?
- (304) When will major works commence?
- (305) What is the current daily traffic flow through the current intersection?
- (306) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through the current intersection?

- (307) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents through the current intersection?
- (308) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
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- (313) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?
- (314) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Snowy Mountains Hwy repair

- (315) How is site 71 progressing?
- (316) When are works on Sites 72, 75, 96 and 10340 expected?
- (317) What is the current daily traffic flow along this stretch of the Snowy Mountains Highway?
- (318) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch of the Snowy Mountains Highway?
- (319) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along this stretch of the Snowy Mountains Highway?
- (320) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
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- (326) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Kidman Hwy Rest Stop

- (327) Has this project been completed, if not why the delay?

- (328) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
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- (334) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Hillsborough Rd upgrade

- (335) Has major works commenced on this project, if not when are they expected?
- (336) What is the current daily traffic flow along this stretch of the Hillsborough Road?
- (337) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch of the Hillsborough Road?
- (338) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along this stretch of the Hillsborough Road?
- (339) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (340) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (341) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (342) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (343) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (344) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?
- (345) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Pretty Plains Rd-Mitchell Hwy intersection

- (346) Has this project been completed?
- (347) What is the current daily traffic flow through the pre-existing intersection?
- (348) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles through the pre-existing intersection?
- (349) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents through the pre-existing intersection?

- (350) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (351) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (352) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (353) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (354) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (355) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?
- (356) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Nelson Bay Rd duplication

- (357) When is planning approval expected for the duplication?
- (358) When will major works commence?
- (359) What is the current daily traffic flow along this stretch of the Nelson Bay Road?
- (360) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch of the Nelson Bay Road?
- (361) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along this stretch of the Nelson Bay Road?
- (362) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (363) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (364) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (365) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (366) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (367) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Tocal Rd

- (368) Has this project been completed, is there a delay?
- (369) What is the current daily traffic flow along this stretch of Tocal Road?
- (370) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch of Tocal Road?
- (371) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along this stretch of Tocal Road?

- (372) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (373) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (374) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (375) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (376) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (377) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?
- (378) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Coulsons Creek Rd

- (379) How is this project progressing?
- (380) Is it still expected to be completed by mid-2025?
- (381) What is the previous daily traffic flow along this stretch of Coulsons Creek Road before closure?
- (382) What is the previous daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch of Coulsons Creek Road before closure?
- (383) What were the yearly motor vehicle accidents along Coulsons Creek Road before closure?
- (384) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (385) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (386) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (387) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (388) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?
- (389) What fund is this budget allocation from?

Albion Bypass-Tripoli Way extension

- (390) When is planning approval for this project?
- (391) When will major works commence?
- (392) What is the current daily traffic flow along this stretch Tongarra Road to be bypassed?

- (393) What is the current daily number of heavy vehicles along this stretch Tongarra Road to be bypassed?
- (394) What is the yearly motor vehicle accidents along this stretch of Tongarra Road to be bypassed?
- (395) What are the latest figures for the expected current financial year spend on this project?
- (396) Have there been any delays in the project this calendar year?
- (397) When is it expected to be open to the public?
- (398) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for planning and design?
- (399) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for external contractors?
- (400) What is the percentage of the allocated budget this year is for internal Department expenditure?

Demerit Point Reinstatement

- (401) Have individuals involved in serious and fatal accidents had their demerit points reinstated?

Average Speed Cameras

- (402) What are the number of fatalities for each of the 31 active average speed camera zones across NSW between 2019-2023?

Cabinet Sub Committees

- (403) What cabinet sub committees are you a member of?

Training

- (404) Since 28 March 2023, have you had training from an external stakeholder that included an invoice and payment paid for using your ministerial budget?
- (a) If yes, what is the description of training?
- (b) If yes, how much?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports

- (405) In what month will the 2023-24 annual reports for each department / agency in your portfolio be published?

(406) Will the 2023-24 annual reports for the department / agency in your portfolio include a printed copy?

(a) If yes, how much is budgeted for printing in 2024-25?

ETU membership

(407) Have you ever been a member of the Electrical Trades Union (ETU)?

(a) If yes, when?

Parliamentary Secretary

(408) Does your Parliamentary Secretary have pass access to your ministerial office?

(409) Does your Parliamentary Secretary have a desk in your ministerial office?

(410) Did any catering costs in 2023-24 include expenditure on alcohol?

Department(s)/Agency(s) in Portfolio

(411) What department(s)/agency(s) are included in your portfolio?

Former Ministerial Employees

(412) Are there any former employee from your ministerial office now employed by any department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?

(a) If yes, how many?

Signal

(413) Are you on Signal?

(a) If yes, do you access Signal from a NSW Government device?

Ministerial Staff – Local Government Councillors

(414) As at 30 June 2024, how many of your ministerial staff were local government councillors?

(415) What local government(s) did they serve?

Union membership fees

(416) What was the expenditure for you to join a union in:

- (a) 2022-23?
- (b) 2023-24?
- (c) 2024-25?

ETU meetings

(417) Given ministerial diary disclosures do not include all meetings and provide exceptions to disclosures, since 28 March 2023, have you met with the ETU?

Workplace complaints

(418) Have you been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment since 28 March 2023?

(419) Has any member of your ministerial staff been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment since 28 March 2023?

Paper shredder

(420) Does your ministerial office have a paper shredder?

State Records Act

(421) Have you and your ministerial office had training and/or a briefing about the State Records Act from State Records NSW and/or The Cabinet Office and/or Premier's Department?

- (a) If yes, when?

Camera, video recorder and microphones

(422) Does your ministerial office have the following paid by your ministerial budget:

- (a) Handheld camera?
- (b) Handheld video recorder?
- (c) Microphone?
 - i. If yes to (a) to (c), how much is each worth when purchased?

Legal Costs

(423) How much did the Department/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend in legal costs since 28 March 2023?

(a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?

(424) Are you a member of a union?

(a) If yes, what union?

Advertising

(425) How much has each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities spent on advertising or sponsored posts since 28 March 2023 on the following social media platforms:

(a) Facebook

(b) Instagram

(c) LinkedIn

(d) TikTok

(e) YouTube

(f) X (formerly known as Twitter)

Catering

(426) How much of your ministerial budget was spent on catering in 2023-24?

(427) Was catering used for external stakeholders?

(a) If yes, who were these external stakeholders?

Senior Executive Drivers

(428) How many senior executives in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) have a driver?

CFMEU membership

(429) Have you ever been a member of the Construction, Forestry and Maritime Employees Union (CFMEU)?

(a) If yes, when?

Speeches

(430) Does your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) draft and write speeches for you?

(431) How many public servants have undertaken writing speeches in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?

Hard hats and/or vests

(432) Do you have a hard hat and/or vest for visiting infrastructure sites?

- (a) If yes, was it paid from your ministerial budget?

Efficiency dividends

(433) Was an efficiency dividend applied to your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) within your portfolio responsibilities in:

- (a) 2023-24?

- (b) 2024-25?

- i. If so, what was the efficiency dividend applied to each department/agency?
- ii. What measures are being considered to achieve this efficiency dividend?

Gin

(434) Since 28 March 2023, have you or your ministerial office purchased 'gin' using your ministerial budget?

Ministerial Advisers

(435) How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office in 2023-24 FY?

(436) What is the average salary for staff members in your ministerial office in 2023-24 FY?

Ministerial disclosures to The Cabinet Office

(437) On what date did you last update/make a ministerial disclosure to The Cabinet Office?

Stationery

(438) How much of your ministerial budget was spent on stationery in 2023-24?

(439) Did your stationery expenditure include gifts for external stakeholders?

- (a) If yes, what was the gift(s)?

- (b) If yes, who received the gift(s)?

GIPA Applications / Standing Order 52 – Ministerial Office

(440) Does your ministerial office have staff member(s) to undertake Government Information (Public Access) Act application(s) and/or Standing Order 52 requests?

- (a) If yes, has that ministerial staffer(s) received formal training about their legal obligations?

(441) How many GIPA Applications have been received by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

Police Commissioner Gin

(442) Have you received gin from the Police Commissioner?

Qantas Chairman's Club

(443) Are you a Member of the Qantas Chairman's Club?

- (a) If no, have you ever previously been a member?
- (b) If yes, when did you cease to be a member?
- (c) If yes, when did you initially become a member?
- (d) If yes, when did you make a declaration to The Cabinet Office?
- (e) If yes, how many times since 28 March 2023 have you used the Qantas Chairman's Club?

E-Toll

(444) Does your ministerial vehicle have an E-Toll?

- (a) If yes, is expenditure paid by your by your ministerial budget?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Gifts and Hospitality Register

(445) Does your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) have a gifts and/or hospitality register?

- (a) If yes, is it available online?
 - i. If yes, what is the URL?

Ministerial visits

(446) Since 28 March 2023, have you visited any of these postcodes:

- (a) 2077?
- (b) 2079?
- (c) 2080?

- (d) 2081?
- (e) 2082?
- (f) 2083?
- (g) 2117?
- (h) 2118?
- (i) 2119?
- (j) 2120?
- (k) 2121?
- (l) 2125?
- (m) 2126?
- (n) 2151?
- (o) 2154?
- (p) 2156?
- (q) 2157?
- (r) 2158?
- (s) 2159?
- (t) 2756?
- (u) 2775?

i. If yes to (a) to (u):

1. What was the purpose of the visit(s)?
2. Did you make a funding announcement(s)?

Ministerial Code of Conduct

(447) Since 28 March 2023, have you breached the Ministerial Code of Conduct?

- (a) If yes, what was the breach?

TikTok

(448) Are you on TikTok?

- (a) If yes, do you access TikTok from a NSW Government device?

CFMEU meetings

(449) Given ministerial diary disclosures do not include all meetings and provide exceptions to disclosures, since 28 March 2023, have you met with the CFMEU?

Credit Cards

(450) Have you ever been issued with a credit card by a NSW Government department(s) and/or agency(s) since 28 March 2023?

- (a) If yes, under what circumstance?
(b) If yes, what items and expenditure was undertaken?

(451) For each department, agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) How many credit cards are currently on issue for staff? (Please provide a break-down of this information by grade)
(b) What was the value of the largest reported purchase on a credit card for the last year?
(c) What was each largest reported purchase for?
(d) What was the largest amount outstanding on a single card at the end of a payment period?
(e) And what was the card holder's employment grade?
(f) How many credit cards have been reported lost or stolen?
(g) What was the cost to replace them?
(h) How many credit card purchases were deemed to be illegitimate or contrary to agency policy?
 i. How many purchases were asked to be repaid on the basis that they were illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and what was the total value thereof?
 ii. Were all those amounts repaid?
(i) Are any credit cards currently on issue connected to rewards schemes?
 i. Do staff receive any personal benefit as a result of those reward schemes?
 ii. Can a copy of the staff credit card policy please be provided?

Ministerial Vehicles and Driving Offences

(452) Since 28 March 2023, have you personally driven your ministerial vehicle?

(453) As a driver since 28 March 2023:

- (a) Have you been pulled over by the NSW Police Force?
- (b) Have you been fined for speeding?
- (c) Have you been fined for school zone related offence?
- (d) Have you been fined for red light related offence?
- (e) Have you been involved in an accident that included the NSW Police attending the scene?
 - i. If yes to a) to e), did this include whilst driving your ministerial vehicle?

Department(s)/agency(s) desk or office

(454) Do you have a desk or office in your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) building(s)?

Land audit – Department(s)/Agency(s)

(455) Has your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) undertaken a land audit of surplus government property in any of the following postcodes:

- (a) 2077?
- (b) 2079?
- (c) 2080?
- (d) 2081?
- (e) 2082?
- (f) 2083?
- (g) 2117?
- (h) 2118?
- (i) 2119?
- (j) 2120?
- (k) 2121?
- (l) 2125?

- (m) 2126?
- (n) 2151?
- (o) 2154?
- (p) 2156?
- (q) 2157?
- (r) 2158?
- (s) 2159?
- (t) 2756?
- (u) 2775?

i. If yes to (a) to (u), how many properties have been identified

Mobile phones

- (456) How many mobile phones has your ministerial office been allocated as at 1 July 2024?
- (457) How many mobile phones in your ministerial office have been lost or stolen since 28 March 2023?

Consultants

- (458) Since 28 March 2023, how many consultancy contracts have been signed in your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
 - (a) What was the individual amount of each contract?
 - (b) What is the purpose of each contract?
 - (c) Who was the contract with?
 - (d) Did the contract go through a competitive tender?

Ministerial staff disclosure of gifts and/or hospitality

- (459) Does your ministerial office keep a register of gifts and/or hospitality for staff to make disclosures?
- (460) Have any staff members in your office been the recipient of any free hospitality?
 - (a) What was the total value of the hospitality received?
 - (b) Are these gifts of hospitality declared?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Travel

(461) As Minister, do you approve overseas travel for public servants in your portfolio department(s) / Agency(s)?

(a) If yes, how many overseas trips have you approved since 28 March 2023?

(462) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?

(463) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on domestic flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?

(a) Of these, how many flights were taken in business class?

(464) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on international flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?

(a) Of these, how many flights were taken in business class?

(b) Of these, how many flights were taken in first class?

(465) What was the total expenditure since 28 March 2023 by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:

(a) Taxi hire?

(b) Ridesharing services?

(c) Limousine/private car hire?

(d) Hire car rental?

Cabinet documents

(466) Since 28 March 2023, have you shared Cabinet documents with your Parliamentary Secretary?

Website usage

(467) What were the top 20 most utilised (by data sent and received) unique domain names accessed by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

(468) What were the top 20 most accessed (by number of times accessed) unique domain names accessed by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

Department(s)/Agency(s) Employees

(469) How many senior executive service employees were employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:

- (a) 28 March 2023?
- (b) 1 July 2023?
- (c) 1 January 2024?
- (d) 1 July 2024?

(470) How many public servants within your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) were paid more than the Premier in 2023-24?

(471) How many redundancies were processed by each Department(s)/agency(s) within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

- (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary?
 - ii. Forced?
- (b) What was the total cost of all redundancies in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?

Media releases and statements

(472) Are all the ministerial media releases and statements issued by you publicly available at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases>?

- (a) If no, why?

GIPA Applications – Department(s)/Agency(s)

(473) Since 28 March 2023, have you and/or your ministerial office given instructions to your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) in relation to Government Information (Public Access) Act application(s)?