

Supplementary Questions – Minister Kamper

Questions from Hon Tania Mihailuk MLC

Sport

\$14.5 million grant to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC

#	1
Question	<p>Did you approve the provision of a \$14.5 million “Football in Schools” grant to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC?</p> <p>(a) In the Office of Sport’s media release dated 15 September 2023 announcing the \$14.5 million ‘Football in Schools’ grant to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC, it states that the program will reach “40,000 children”, does this include the footprint of the Southern Districts Soccer Football Association which is the governing body for football/soccer in the Liverpool and Fairfield LGAs?</p> <p>(b) Is the Office of Sport overseeing this grant?</p>

Q.1: I am advised:

Following the announcement of the program in September 2023, delivery of the program and administration of the funding was transferred to NSW Department of Education.

Questions about the status of the program and program delivery should be directed to the Minister for Education and Early Learning.

#	2
Question	<p>Can you provide a breakdown of the financial amount (by financial year) distributed to the following organisations under the Football in Schools grant:</p> <p>(a) To Macarthur FC</p> <p>(b) To Western Sydney Wanderers FC</p> <p>(c) To any schools (please name them)</p> <p>(d) To any other organisations</p>

Q.2: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

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Question	Did the grant contain a proposed budget to expend \$14.5million dollars? (a) What was the breakdown for each item of expenditure in the grant proposal stage?
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Q.3: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	4
Question	Can you please advise: (a) How much of the funding received by Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC has been expended to date for each of the previous three financial years? i. Including itemised lines of expenditure if it has been reported to the Office of Sport. (b) The name of each school which has participated in Football in Schools, the date of the school visit, and how much each visit cost. (c) The number of employees/contractors allocated by Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC to deliver Football in Schools i. How many of these people are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casual employees • Full time/part time (d) The number of Office of Sport staff with responsibility to oversee/project manage the delivery of Football in schools.

Q.4: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	5
Question	Has the Office of Sport evaluated how the funding provided to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers has been expended? (a) If yes, when? i. What was the outcome of the evaluation?

Q.5: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

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Question	<p>When did you in your capacity as Minister or the Office of Sport become aware of the following donations made by Macarthur FC, Western Sydney Wanderers FC, and the Southern Districts Soccer Football Association?:</p> <p>(a) Southern Districts Soccer Football Association (SDSFA) donated:</p> <p>i. \$5720 to NSW Labor</p> <p>ii. i\$3300 to Nathan Haggarty</p> <p>iii. \$3300 to Charishma Kaliyanda</p> <p>(b) Macarthur FC donated:</p> <p>i. \$4460 to NSW Labor</p> <p>(c) Western Sydney Wanders FC donated:</p> <p>i. \$3960 to Stephen Bali</p> <p>ii. \$990 to Hugh McDermott</p>
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Q.6: I am advised:

The Electoral Funding Act is administered by the Special Minister of State.

#	7
Question	<p>If you as Minister were aware of these political donations prior to the Office of Sport, did you disclose this knowledge to the Office of Sport?</p> <p>i. If not, then why not?</p>

Q.7: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 6.

#	8
Question	<p>Did you in your capacity as Minister request the Office of Sport to prepare the \$14.5 million grant to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers?</p>

Q.8: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	9
Question	<p>When did the Office of Sport become aware of the NSW Labor election commitment announced on the Macarthur FC website of \$8 million dollars, which included quotes from then candidates Charishma Kaliyanda and Nathan Haggarty?</p> <p>(a) Please provide a copy of any minutes or briefings provided to/by the Office of Sport regarding the implementation of this \$8 million election commitment to Macarthur FC.</p>

Q.9: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	10
Question	<p>Did Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC disclose to you or the Office of Sport prior to receiving their grant that they were both reportable political donors to the NSW Labor Party?</p> <p>(a) If yes, when did this disclosure happen?</p> <p>(b) If no, did you in your capacity as Minister, or the Office of Sport, request this information from Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC?</p>

Q.10: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	11
Question	<p>Did you sign a brief in your capacity as Minister for Sport approving the provision of \$14.5 million dollars to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC?</p> <p>(a) Did this brief refer to the fact that Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers FC were reportable political donors to NSW Labor and Labor candidates?</p>

Q.11: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	12
Question	<p>What consultation did you as Minister or the Office of Sport undertake with Football NSW prior to the disbursement of the \$14.5 million dollar grant to Macarthur FC and Western Sydney Wanderers?</p> <p>(a) Was information sought from Football NSW on which geographical region had the highest need to receive a discretionary grant?</p>

Q.12: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	13
Question	<p>Were football clubs or associations that were not reportable political donors to NSW Labor and Labor candidates provided with the opportunity to receive funding to deliver Football in Schools?</p> <p>(a) If yes, please advise the date and name that consultation was undertaken with:</p> <p>i. Other football clubs;</p> <p>ii. Other football associations based in a different geographical region which is not in the footprint covered by the Southern Districts Soccer Football Association.</p>

Q.13: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

#	14
Question	<p>Does the Office of Sport have minutes of meetings between Macarthur FC, Western Sydney Wanderers FC, and the Office of Sport, prior to the disbursement of the \$14.5 million grant?</p> <p>(a) If yes, will you make the minutes of any meeting publicly available?</p>

Q.14: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 1.

Office of Sport grants to reportable political donors

#	15
Question	<p>Have you issued a directive to the Office of Sport on how it should manage the provision of grants to reportable political donors such as the Southern Districts Soccer Football Association?</p> <p>(a) If not, then why not?</p>

Q.15: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 6.

#	16
Question	Can you please outline:

	<p>(a) How many reportable political donors in NSW have received grants from the Office of Sport over the past 2 financial years?</p> <p>i. The amount of funding provided to each organisation;</p> <p>ii. The name of the political party or candidate who received a political donation;</p> <p>iii. Whether a conflict of interest was declared by the grant applicant;</p> <p>iv. Whether the Office of Sport was aware of the grant recipient's status as a reportable political donor;</p> <p>v. Whether the Minister for Sport approved each grant application</p>
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Q.16: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 6.

#	17
Question	<p>Have the Members for Leppington and Liverpool ever requested or made recommendations to you as Minister or the Office of Sport to support funding or grant applications from any organisations within their electorates who are reportable political donors or constituent members of a reportable political donor?</p> <p>(a) If yes, which organisations?</p> <p>(b) How much funding was provided?</p> <p>(c) Did the Members for Leppington or Liverpool disclose a conflict of interest?</p>

Q.17: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 6.

#	18
Question	<p>Has the Office of Sport been advised by, or liaised with, any other Government Department/Agency/Office, including the Premier's Department/Office and the Department of Education, to support the provision of public funding to reportable political donors to the NSW Labor Party?</p> <p>(a) If yes, please provide the details of each project including the funding recipient and amount of funding recommending for approval.</p>

Q.18: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 6.

Prioritisation of grant funding by Office of Sport to Football Associations

#	19
Question	<p>Please outline:</p> <p>(a) The name of each Football Association affiliated to Football NSW or Northern NSW Football that has received funding from the Office of Sport in the past two years;</p> <p>(b) Whether each of those Football Associations is a reportable political donor to any political party or candidate in NSW;</p> <p>(c) The total value of funds received by each of those Football Associations in the years 2023, 2024 and 2025 to date.</p>

Q.19: I am advised:

Past recipients of grant programs are available on the NSW Government Grants and Funding website and the Office of Sport website.

#	20
Question	<p>Football NSW's Infrastructure Strategy "NSW-Football-Infrastructure-Strategy-2020-web.pdf" notes the significant infrastructure gap for football facilities in our state and how Football NSW aligns its plans with the Office of Sport's Strategic Plan 2020-2024. The Football NSW Infrastructure Strategy highlands a problem faced by the Sutherland Shire Football Association and other local Football Associations in NSW – children and adults who want to experience the health and social benefits of playing football are turned away due to "Training space availability, accompanied by greater provision of playing field lighting are seen as the key facility issues to address" (pg18):</p> <p><i>Given that Football NSW has recognised that community football infrastructure in the Electorates of Cronulla, Miranda, Heathcote and Holsworthy (Sutherland Shire Football Association) is inadequate, is it the case that Sutherland Shire Football Association can only get prioritised for funding by your Government if they start donating their portion of soccer registration fees to Sussex Street and their local Labor candidates?</i></p>

Q.20: I am advised:

No.

Multiculturalism

Ministerial referrals

#	21
Question	Section 13 (1)(c) of the Multicultural NSW Act 2000 states that you as Minister have the power to refer matters to Multicultural NSW for further research and investigation. Have you made any referrals to the statutory authority under this provision of the Act since you've been the Minister? (a) Please list each referral and provide an update on where each matter is at as of 28 February 2025

Q.21: I am advised:

Advice and recommendations are exchanged directly between my office and Multicultural NSW on a regular basis on a variety of topics.

Multicultural NSW Strategic Plan data collection

#	22
Question	Multicultural NSW's Strategic Plan 2021-2025 states as a priority that decision making and services will meet the needs of culturally diverse communities through the implementation of data, evidence and research – monitoring and measuring the state of relations as affected by cultural, religious and linguistic diversity. (a) What data and evidence has been collected in accordance with the 2021-2025 strategic plan when it comes to supporting different faith communities? i. How does this data and evidence support s3(1)(c) of the Multicultural NSW Act 2000 - “free to profess, practise and maintain their own religious and ancestral heritage”?

Q.22: I am advised:

Multicultural NSW draws on a range of data sources to understand the cultural, linguistic and religious diversity of the people of NSW. The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 2021 Census remains the best and most current data available for this purpose.

In establishing the NSW Faith Affairs Council, Multicultural NSW used 2021 ABS Census data to identify the 12 largest religious affiliations in NSW to ensure these faith groups were represented as part of the Council's membership.

Since 2022, Multicultural NSW has been working in partnership with experts from the Australian National University (ANU) to find a way to further understand the state of community relations as affected by cultural diversity. In the 2023 Community Relations Report, Multicultural NSW presented the preliminary findings of a novel/pilot community relations survey developed by ANU: the NSW Community Relations Survey.

The survey includes novel measures that aim to capture the extent to which community members actively seek to engage with fellow community members from cultural and religious backgrounds different to their own. The findings from the second NSW Community Relations Survey will be presented in the 2024 Community Relations Report.

Throughout the life of Multicultural NSW’s Strategic Plan 2021-2025, Multicultural NSW has drawn on various sources of information to conduct its work as an agency overall.

This includes but is not limited to:

- information drawn from Multicultural NSW programs,
- evaluation of programs,
- Department of Customer Service behavioural insights data,
- community sentiment work,
- information collected through Multicultural NSW’s community networks, and
- other forums (such as the NSW Community Resilience and Response Plan (COMPLAN) Committee).

#	23
Question	In the past two years while you’ve been the Minister, what data, evidence, and research have you instructed the department to collect regarding interfaith communities? (a) Have you discussed this data, evidence, and research with the Faith Council reporting to Multicultural NSW? (b) If not, then why not?

Q.23: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 22.

#	24
Question	Has the Faith Council provided you with any data, evidence, and/or research affecting their faith communities and interfaith relations in NSW? (a) If yes, what did they say?

Q.24: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 22.

#	25
Question	<p>It is now 2025 and we don't have an updated Strategic Plan for Multicultural NSW, will the updated plan include specific ways to strengthen inclusion and equity when it comes to NSW's diverse interfaith communities?</p> <p>(a) When will the updated Strategic Plan be released?</p> <p>(b) Please advise the amount of funding from the 24/25 Budget that was provided to Multicultural NSW to develop their new strategic plan</p>

Q.25: I am advised:

The Multicultural NSW Strategic Plan is currently under review. Further information regarding the Plan's focus areas will be released once completed. The Plan will be developed within existing Agency resources which are contained in the annual report.

Faith Affairs Council

#	26
Question	What issues have you referred to the Faith Council?

Q.26: I am advised:

A 2024 statement of activities for the NSW Faith Affairs Council will be published in the 2024 Community Relations Report, to be tabled in Parliament in the first half of 2025.

#	27
Question	What issues were considered at the most recent meetings of the Faith Council?

Q.27: I am advised:

The last meeting of the NSW Faith Affairs Council was held in February 2025. A 2025 statement of activities for the NSW Faith Affairs Council will be published in the 2025 Community Relations Report, to be tabled in Parliament in the first half of 2026.

#	28
Question	<p>Did you consult with the Faith Council about the ramifications the Crimes Amendment (Inciting Racial Hatred) Bill 2025 would have on religious freedom, prior to my amendment</p> <p>7</p>

	<p>being included to add the words ‘or discussion’ after ‘teaching’ in Schedule 1, proposed section 93ZAA(2), line 20?</p> <p>i. If not, then why not?</p> <p>(b) What issues did the Faith Council raise relating to the bill?</p> <p>(c) Prior to ramming the bill through Parliament, did you or any of the members of your office pick up the phone to the Faith Council to discuss the accelerated time frame?</p> <p>i. If yes, what did they say to you?</p> <p>ii. If not, then why not?</p> <p>(d) Did the members of the Faith Council express any opinion to you on the speed with which the hate speech laws were rammed through Parliament?</p>
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Q.28: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 26.

#	29
Question	How many recommendations has the Faith Council made to date?

Q.29: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 26.

#	30
Question	<p>Will you make these recommendations public?</p> <p>(a) If yes, when?</p> <p>(b) If not, why not?</p>

Q.30: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 26.

#	31
Question	<p>Have you asked the Faith Council to make any recommendations to you?</p> <p>(a) If yes, what about?</p>

Q.31: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 26.

#	32
Question	Have you applied any recommendations the Faith Council made to you? (a) If yes, which ones? (b) If not, why not?

Q.32: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 26.

Questions from Hon Chris Rath MLC (on behalf of Opposition)

Land and Property

Land Audit

#	33
Question	The land audit commenced in 2023 with the directive to audit government-owned land for the suitability of housing. As of today, how many total sites have been identified as suitable for housing development?

Q.33: I am advised:

The NSW Government will deliver up to 30,000 well-located homes, close to infrastructure and transport, with amenities and work opportunities, with surplus land to be made available for housing over the next four years.

As at 28 January 2025, 9,089 sites had been assessed, with sites suitable for housing and announced to date expected to deliver more than 8,100 dwellings.

The locations of sites suitable for housing are progressively being announced as they are transferred to housing delivery agencies or brought to market for sale.

The property audit will continue as an ongoing and regular function of government in our efforts to find new opportunities to deliver critically needed housing across NSW.

#	34
Question	Minister, the ROI campaign for developing 22 surplus NSW Government sites was open from 23 November to 14 December 2024. How many registrations of interest were received during this period?

Q.34: I am advised:

Property and Development NSW (PDNSW) received 85 responses. There was interest in all 22 sites.

#	35
Question	How were these sites selected for inclusion in the campaign, and what makes them suitable for expedited housing development?

Q.35: I am advised:

These sites were assessed as being suitable for housing as part of the Property Audit for housing.

Property and Development NSW completed due diligence on these lots following the end of the ROI process in December 2024. The ROI helped inform how the sites will be divested to ensure they can deliver the best possible housing outcomes for communities across NSW.

#	36
Question	When does the government anticipate finalising the shortlist of developers or parties for these sites?

Q.36: I am advised:

The timeline will differ from site to site.

The first tranche of 11 properties was listed on the market on 24 February 2025. These sites are relatively low complexity and will be sold by way of public auction, with outcomes expected in the first half of 2025.

The timelines on higher complexity sites are highly dependent on the response from the market.

#	37
Question	Will any of these sites start construction in 2025?

Q.37: I am advised:

Construction commencement will be subject to planning approval and developer timeframes for construction.

#	38
Question	Will land be leased, sold, or allocated under a joint venture model? What conditions apply to each option?

Q.38: I am advised:

Divestment options are determined based on a site-by-site assessment, including market feedback. A range of contractual measures may be applied to ensure housing delivery within agreed timeframes. This will be assessed on a case-by-case basis based on individual site attributes.

#	39
Question	What criteria will be used to evaluate submissions from developers and the public?

Q.39: I am advised:

The Government's objectives for delivering housing are:

- To maximise dwelling yield
- To minimise time to delivery of new housing
- To support the delivery of affordable and key workers rental housing, where practicable and feasible
- Support modern methods of construction, where practicable and feasible
- Support increased productivity in the housing sector through innovative approaches to development and construction
- Ensure value for money

#	40
Question	What criteria will be used to select private partners, and how will the government ensure that these partnerships deliver quality housing that meets community needs?

Q.40: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 39.

#	41
Question	How will the government ensure that selected proposals align with objectives to maximize dwelling yield, minimize delivery time, and support affordable housing?

Q.41: I am advised:

Registrations of Interest campaigns occurring to date have called on parties to indicate their interest in developing a mix of low, medium and high-density market housing at sites across Sydney and regional NSW. The Government's objectives for delivering housing are:

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- To minimise time to delivery of new housing

- To support the delivery of affordable and key workers rental housing, where practicable and feasible
- Support modern methods of construction, where practicable and feasible
- Support increased productivity in the housing sector through innovative approaches to development and construction
- Ensure value for money

This information will be considered alongside the Government's objectives for the program to inform how housing will be delivered on these sites.

#	42
Question	What infrastructure assessments have been conducted to ensure that the selected sites can support the proposed housing developments?

Q.42: I am advised:

Consideration has been given to the location of land relative to existing services and amenities as part of the audit process.

#	43
Question	Will you guarantee a minimum percentage of affordable and social housing in these developments?

Q.43: I am advised:

The NSW Government's focus is on delivering up to 377,000 new well-located homes across the State by 2029, with up to 30,000 new homes being delivered on surplus government land.

The NSW Government anticipates that 30 per cent of the 30,000 homes to be delivered will be social or affordable.

Individual sites will be subject to local government planning controls following the requirements of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

#	44
Question	Is there a mandated percentage of affordable or key worker housing units that developers are required to include in their proposals? (a) If it varies per site, explain, per site, how it varies.

Q.44: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 43.

#	45
Question	What is the estimated timeline from site allocation to the first shovel in the ground?

Q.45: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 41.

#	46
Question	Have developers been given a deadline to commence construction once sites are allocated? What penalties are in place if they fail to meet milestones?

Q.46: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 41.

#	47
Question	What percentage of projects are expected to be completed within the next three years?

Q.47: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 41.

#	48
Question	Have developers been given flexibility on what types of housing they build, or are there strict requirements on dwelling types?

Q.48: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 41.

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Question	<p>Can you please provide updates on the following sites, including how many ROI's there were for each site, what the proposed mix of housing density is on each site (in homes) and the projected timeline for home delivery is on each site:</p> <p>(a) 11-13 West Botany Street, Arncliffe (b) 28-30 West Botany Street, Arncliffe (c) 92-98 West Botany Street, Arncliffe (d) 33-37 Regent Street, Chippendale (e) Cnr Wisdom Lane and Palmer Street, Darlinghurst (f) Stanley Street, Darlinghurst (g) 16-18 Bayview Avenue, Earlwood (h) 422, 424 and 426 The Horsley Drive, Fairfield (i) 595-597 Warringah Road, Frenchs Forest (j) 164 Talavera Road, Marsfield (k) 6-10 Pembroke Road, Minto (l) 8 Yambo Street, Morisset (m) 52 McLaren Street, North Sydney (n) 129-133 Sale Street, Orange (o) 832-842 Windsor Road, Rouse Hill (p) 870 Windsor Road, Rouse Hill (q) Windsor Road & Annangrove Road, Rouse Hill (r) 5-17 Clavering Road, Seaforth (s) 5-9 Cardigan Street, Stanmore (t) 1334 and 1340 Pacific Highway, Turrumurra (u) 56-58 Richards Road, Wakeley, 60A Box Road, Prairiewood, 479 Smithfield Road, Wakeley (v) 117 Sparks Road, 680 and 680A Bruce Crescent, Wallarah</p>
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Q.49: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 41.

#	50
Question	<p>Are any of the above sites located on areas of trunk drainage land, any areas with 1-in-100 year flood risks, or classified as “bushfire prone land” according to DPHI definitions? (a) If so, which sites?</p>

Q.50: I am advised:

The Building Homes for NSW program, which incorporates the Land Audit, has been established to identify NSW Government owned land that is suitable for housing use. A wide range of factors are considered when assessing the suitability of land for future

residential use including access to infrastructure and limitations due to environmental issues.

#	51
Question	<p>The 19.4-hectare site at 26 Kissing Point Road and 266 Victoria Road, Rydalmere is slated for rezoning to deliver approximately 2300 homes.</p> <p>(a) How was the projection of 2300 homes reached? Explain the methodology?</p> <p>(b) What is the anticipated timeline for the completion of these homes, and how will they be allocated among different housing categories (e.g., social, affordable, private)</p> <p>(c) Additionally, what range of housing types (e.g., apartments, townhouses) is being considered for this development?</p>

Q.51: I am advised:

The Government owned site located at the intersection of Kissing Point Road and Victoria Road in Rydalmere has been identified to deliver an estimated 2,300 homes in the important Western Sydney growth corridor.

The Government plans to rezone the 19.4-hectare site as part of the Building Homes for NSW program that is targeting the delivery of 30,000 homes across the state.

The Rydalmere site, identified through the Government's land audit, will deliver housing, open space, including accessible bushland reserve alongside Vineyard Creek, commercial and retail space, and a new internal road network.

Due to being located on the doorstep to Parramatta's CBD, Western Sydney University's Rydalmere campus, Westmead health campus, and the Yallamundi stop on the new Parramatta Light Rail, the site has been identified as having the capacity to deliver in the order of 2,300 critically needed homes.

The Government is in the midst of a tender process aimed at securing a development partner able to deliver the Government's vision for the site.

#	52
Question	<p>It has been revealed a number of surplus government land sites have been sold to private developers - why did Homes NSW and Landcom deem these sites not appropriate for them to build housing on?</p> <p>(a) Will the condition of any sale agreements for these parcels of land be that there is housing on the site? Instead of another commercial purpose?</p>

	<p>(b) How much revenue is expected to be generated from the sale of these government-owned properties?</p> <p>(c) Will 100% of the funds be reinvested into housing, or will it be used to plug budget shortfalls elsewhere?</p> <p>(d) Has the Government ring-fenced these funds specifically for housing projects, or is there no guarantee that the money will go towards addressing housing supply?</p> <p>(e) How many more government-owned properties identified in the land audit are under review for potential sale rather than being used for housing?</p>
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Q.52: I am advised:

HomesNSW is the responsibility of the Minister for Housing.

Landcom is the responsibility of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces.

Parramatta North Precinct

#	53
Question	<p>The proposal mentions new recreational green spaces.</p> <p>(a) Will City of Parramatta Council be expected to deliver these open spaces?</p> <p>(b) Will an NSW Government agency be expected to deliver these open spaces, and if so – who?</p> <p>(c) What funding will be given to the Council to deliver these open spaces?</p>

Q.53: I am advised:

The rezoning proposal, recently on public exhibition, states that all open space necessary is proposed to be delivered by the NSW Government.

For further detail, please refer to:

<https://pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/draftplans/under-consideration/parramatta-north-precinct-state-led-rezoning-proposal>

#	54
Question	<p>The public consultation period for the Parramatta North Precinct rezoning proposal closed on 10 February 2025. When does the Government expect to finalise the planning instrument changes following this consultation?</p>

Q.54: I am advised:

Public exhibition ran from 13 Jan – 24 Feb 2025. The proposal is now under assessment by DPHI Planning.

#	55
Question	Will the Government be releasing a summary of community feedback received during the exhibition period? If so, when can the public and stakeholders expect to see it?

Q.55: I am advised:

This is a matter for the Consent Authority.

#	56
Question	How many submissions were received during the exhibition period, and what proportion of them were supportive, opposed, or sought amendments?

Q.56: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 55.

#	57
Question	What weight will the Government give to community feedback, particularly concerns about density, heritage protection, and infrastructure capacity?

Q.57: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 55.

#	58
Question	Can you confirm whether the rezoning and planning controls will be finalised via ministerial decision alone, or will there be further parliamentary or public scrutiny?

Q.58: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 55.

#	59
Question	Does the Government anticipate any delays in finalising the rezoning due to community objections, infrastructure constraints, or other factors?

Q.59: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 55.

#	60
Question	The Minister's media release suggests the plan will "unlock Parramatta North's potential." How soon after the finalisation of the plan does the Government anticipate development applications will begin?

Q.60: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 55.

#	61
Question	Will there be any further rounds of consultation or modifications to the plan before it is officially adopted, or is the Government committed to proceeding with the current proposal as exhibited?

Q.61: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 55.

\$54.6 Million Investment to Clean Up Contaminated Sites

#	62
Question	The government has known about many of these contaminated sites for years. Why has it taken until now for some of these clean-ups to begin?

Q.62: I am advised:

The current NSW Government has committed millions to the remediation of contaminated land across NSW arising from historic industrial land uses. In locations including Hunters Hill, Waratah, Allawah and Rutherford sites are nearing the completion of works that will enable their return to productive uses including for employment, residential and open space.

#	63
Question	What is the estimated timeframe for completing all site remediations, and what contingencies are in place if further delays occur?

Q.63: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 62.

#	64
Question	Can the government provide a clear breakdown of how the \$54.6 million is being allocated across the different contaminated sites?

Q.64: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 62.

#	65
Question	How much of this funding is being used for actual clean-up works as opposed to administrative and consultancy costs?

Q.65: I am advised:

All funding has been allocated to the clean-up works. The benefit of establishing an in-house remediation expert (Waste Assets Management Corporation) is that the Government's costs are controlled and managed by experts in the contaminated land field.

#	66
Question	The Truegain site has been abandoned since 2016, and work is still ongoing in 2024. Why has it taken so long, and what is being done to prevent similar delays at other sites?

Q.66: I am advised:

Questions relating to the period between 2016 and March 2023 are a matter for the former government.

#	67
Question	How will the government ensure transparency and keep the public informed? Will there be regular public reporting on clean-up progress?

Q.67: I am advised:

Each remediation project has its own webpage to provide stakeholders and the wider public regular updates.

Residents immediately impacted by projects receive a weekly newsletter and can also attend monthly community meetings.

#	68
Question	Once these sites are remediated, will they be retained as public land, or does the government intend to sell them for commercial or residential development?

Q.68: I am advised:

This will be determined on a site-by-site basis.

#	69
Question	Will all remediated sites undergo independent environmental assessments before any redevelopment occurs to guarantee they are safe for future use?

Q.69: I am advised:

Yes.

#	70
Question	What enforcement actions will be taken against companies responsible for contamination, so taxpayers are not left to cover the costs?

Q.70: I am advised:

The management of clean-up notices, prohibition notices, penalty notices and prosecution proceedings are under the responsibility of the NSW Environment Protection Authority.

#	71
Question	The NSW Land and Environment Court ordered the former Truegain director to pay \$1.2 million in clean-up costs. How much has been recovered, and what is the plan if the funds are not paid?

Q.71: I am advised:

This question should be referred to the Minister for the Environment.

Coffs Harbour Jetty Foreshore Precinct Revitalisation

#	72
Question	The government has committed to a 20-year shared community vision. What are the firm delivery timelines for each stage of this project?

Q.72: I am advised:

The NSW Government is proceeding with the Coffs Jetty precinct master plan, in alignment with the goals of the Coffs Harbour Regional City Action Plan 2036. On 1 October 2024, the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure accepted the Precinct proposal under the State Significant Rezoning Policy. For more information visit www.planning.nsw.gov.au/plans-for-your-area/state-significant-rezoning-policy.

The community is and always has been at the heart of this masterplan process and people will be able to have their say again when the rezoning application is publicly exhibited as part of the statutory assessment process expected to commence imminently.

When approved, the NSW Government will seek market interest to partner with it to deliver a range of outcomes detailed in the master plan including residential, tourist accommodation, open space, hospitality, cultural and environmental land uses. These land uses will secure the vision aimed at establishing the precinct as a great location to visit for locals and tourists alike.

#	73
Question	With the Coffs Bypass set to open in 2027, when can the community expect to see tangible progress on the foreshore revitalisation?

Q.73: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	74
Question	The government claims this will be a self-sustaining, cost-neutral project—can the government outline the financial model ensuring all funds generated are reinvested into the precinct?

Q.74: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	75
Question	What is the total estimated cost of the revitalisation, and will additional state or federal funding be required to complete the project?

Q.75: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	76
Question	The government has promised that no foreshore land will be developed for profit. Can the government confirm how this aligns with plans for additional housing and expanded tourism and hospitality offerings?

Q.76: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	77
Question	How will the government ensure that promised public space improvements, such as better parklands and recreational facilities, are prioritised and not delayed in favour of commercial development?

Q.77: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	78
Question	What planning controls will be in place to ensure any housing and commercial development respects the character of the Coffs Harbour foreshore and does not compromise public access?

Q.78: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	79
Question	The government claims this project will increase local jobs and economic growth. How will job creation be tracked and measured to ensure real benefits for the Coffs Harbour community?

Q.79: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

#	80
Question	What guarantees are in place to ensure that new housing in the precinct will address affordability concerns rather than becoming short-term holiday rentals?

Q.80: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 72.

Old Grafton Gaol Redevelopment

#	81
Question	What is the expected timeline for selecting a successful bid from the Expressions of Interest (EOI) process, and when will redevelopment begin?

Q.81: I am advised:

The EOI campaign closed on 24 April 2024 and following a comprehensive review of the submissions received, the Government has decided not to progress the EOI in its current form.

#	82
Question	Are there any deadlines for when the successful bidder must commence work on the site, or could it sit vacant for years after being sold?

Q.82: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	83
Question	Will there be any progress reporting requirements for the successful bidder to ensure the redevelopment stays on track?

Q.83: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	84
Question	How much revenue is the government expecting to generate from the sale or lease of the site, and how will those funds be allocated?

Q.84: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	85
Question	What financial incentives will businesses or organisations receive to redevelop the site?

Q.85: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	86
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Question	Will the government provide any funding or subsidies for heritage restoration as part of this redevelopment?
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Q.86: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	87
Question	The government has stated that heritage and community outcomes are at the heart of this EOI. What measures will be in place to ensure these commitments are upheld by the successful bidder?

Q.87: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	88
Question	Can the government guarantee that the site's redevelopment will not lead to the demolition of key heritage structures?

Q.88: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	89
Question	What lessons has the government learnt from previous heritage site redevelopments to ensure this process is transparent and beneficial to the community?

Q.89: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	90
Question	Will there be any restrictions placed on the type of development allowed on the site, or could it be turned into private residential housing?

Q.90: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	91
Question	What planning controls will ensure that the new use of the site aligns with State and Local Planning Strategies, as claimed by the government?

Q.91: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	92
Question	What community consultation will be required before final planning approvals are granted for the redevelopment?

Q.92: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	93
Question	How will the government ensure that the redevelopment creates lasting economic benefits for Grafton, rather than just a one-off sale?

Q.93: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	94
Question	What job creation targets have been set for the project, and will local tradespeople and businesses be prioritised in the redevelopment process?

Q.94: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	95
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Question	How will the redevelopment integrate with the surrounding community to ensure it delivers social as well as economic benefits?
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Q.95: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 81.

#	96
Question	What safeguards will be in place to ensure the site does not become a derelict or underutilised space after sale?

Q.96: I am advised:

This question should be directed to the Minister for Corrections.

Crown Lands Staffing, Disputes and Aboriginal Land Claims

#	97
Question	How many Crown Land Claims remain unresolved as of today?

Q.97: I am advised:

There are no legislative provisions for Crown Land Claims.

#	98
Question	How many Crown Land Claims were resolved in FY 2023-24?

Q.98: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 97.

#	99
Question	How many Crown Land Claims were granted in FY 2023-24?

Q.99: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 97.

#	100
Question	How many Crown Land Claims have been resolved in FY 2024-25?

Q.100: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 97.

#	101
Question	How many Crown Land Claims have been granted in FY 2024-25?

Q.101: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 97.

#	102
Question	How many Aboriginal Land Claims remain unresolved as of today?

Q.102: I am advised:

The Office of the Registrar of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* is the statutory authority responsible for maintaining the register of Aboriginal Land Claims.

#	103
Question	How many Aboriginal Land Claims were resolved in FY 2023-24?

Q.103: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 102.

#	104
Question	How many Aboriginal Land Claims were granted in FY 2023-24?

Q.104: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 102.

#	105
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Question	How many Aboriginal Land Claims have been resolved in FY 2024-25?
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Q.105: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 102.

#	106
Question	How many Aboriginal Land Claims have been granted in FY 2024-25?

Q.106: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 102.

#	107
Question	How many staff are currently employed by Crown Lands?

Q.107: I am advised:

Staff numbers are included in the annual reports of Department(s)/Agency(s).

#	108
Question	How many of FTE staff are assigned to work on Crown Land Claims?

Q.108: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 97.

#	109
Question	How many of FTE staff are assigned to work on Aboriginal Land Claims?

Q.109: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 107.

#	110
Question	How many Crown Lands Claims remained unresolved on 30 June 2024

Q.110: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 97.

#	111
Question	What are the 20 longest land claims still on the books? (take on notice)

Q.111: I am advised:

ALC	Lodged on
ALC/815	31/10/1984
ALC/5890	15/05/1996
ALC/5892	15/05/1996
ALC/5893	15/05/1996
ALC/5897	15/05/1996
ALC/5903	16/05/1996
ALC/5909	16/05/1996
ALC/5937	17/05/1996
ALC/5938	17/05/1996
ALC/5945	15/05/1996
ALC/5949	17/05/1996
ALC/5950	15/05/1996
ALC/5951	15/05/1996
ALC/5952	17/05/1996
ALC/5953	17/05/1996
ALC/5954	17/05/1996
ALC/5959	15/05/1996
ALC/5960	15/05/1996
ALC/5970	17/05/1996
ALC/5971	17/05/1996

Land Leaving the Crown Estate

#	112
Question	How much land (by area and value) has left the Crown Estate in the last financial year? Can a breakdown be provided of the purpose of each transfer? Under what mechanisms did these vestings or transfers occur (excluding the Roads program). Can a breakdown be provided for each category including the following:

Q.112: I am advised:

Land can be added through escheatment, purchase, excess and exchange with private land owners, and reduced through vesting, sales, compulsory acquisition, Western Division conversions, Hay Irrigation conversions, Aboriginal Land Claims, Aboriginal Land Agreements and Native title claims (this includes Crown roads).

#	113
Question	<p>Sales Programs</p> <p>(a) One off vestings</p> <p>(b) Transfers to government agencies, including Property NSW</p> <p>15</p> <p>(c) Transfers to local councils under the Crown Lands Management Act</p> <p>(d) Transfers to non-government agencies</p> <p>(e) Aboriginal Land Rights transfers</p> <p>(f) Native Title transfers</p>

Q.113: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 112.

Griffith City Council-Argyle Housing Affordable Housing

#	114
Question	<p>In February 2024, in order to acquire two small parcels of Crown land for an affordable housing initiative in partnership with Argyle Housing, to gain an exemption from the market value determination requirement, Griffith City Council were given an eight-step process involving the development of a business case, two Ministerial sign-offs, and the Treasurer's approval for a budget allocation to offset the value of the land.</p> <p>(a) What progress toward the transfer of title of the two plots of land has occurred to date?</p> <p>(b) Is the Government taking any steps to streamline exemptions to the market value determination requirement for transfer of title for affordable housing projects?</p>

Q.114: I am advised:

Progress on this matter was contingent on Griffith City Council developing a business case and pursuing the necessary approvals.

The NSW Government is committed to finding innovative solutions to unlock Crown land for housing, ensuring affordability and sustainability for regional communities. Crown Lands is working with local councils and Homes NSW to support housing

development in regional areas. This includes working with Griffith Council to determine the feasibility of other parcels of land for housing development.

Crown Reserves Improvement Fund Assessment Criteria

#	115
Question	How many grant applications for the Crown Reserve Improvement Fund 20254-2025 round were received and how does this compare to previous years?

Q.115: I am advised:

The 2023/24 program received 609 applications. In 2024/25, the program received 297 applications.

The details of the application process and assessment criteria are available on the Crown Lands website.

Each year, Crown Lands receives funding requests for urgent maintenance on Crown land from Crown land managers. Examples of emergency grants are varied, and can range from roof repairs, to road maintenance, to remediation of public access paths.

The details for CRIF Strategic Emergency Grants are currently being finalised and will be advertised on the Crown Lands website once finalised.

#	116
Question	Have details of the Crown Reserve Improvement Fund strategic emergency grants been finalised? (a) When will details become available including application process and assessment criteria?

Q.116: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 115.

#	117
Question	Can you give an example of the type of project or expenditure that would be considered a strategic emergency for a crown reserve manager?

Q.117: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 115.

#	118
Question	Illabo Showground Land Manager need \$40,000 for a storage room to provide security for equipment and protect it from the elements. Could they receive a strategic emergency grant for this? If not, what funding options are available?

Q.118: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 115.

Crown Road Enclosure Permit Fees

#	119
Question	Since the progressive removal of concessions for Crown road enclosure permit fees began on 1 July 2024, has there been an increase in the number of landholders who have relinquished or decided not to renew their permits?

Q.119: I am advised:

Under the Crown Lands Management Act 2016 (section 6.2), Crown Lands is required to apply statutory minimum rent for enclosure permits.

Crown Lands needs to ensure all Crown land tenures are compliant with the Act as required by the Audit Office, that there is equity among all tenure holders, and that a fair return for the State can be reinvested back into community land.

Rental income is vital as it is used to maintain the Crown land estate, including recreation land for local communities, fire trails to keep communities safe, and remediate contaminated land so that it can be reused.

Since 2004 enclosure permit holders were granted concessions to reduce their annual rent to \$0-173 dollars per year, costing the government and taxpayers approximately \$9.6 million a year in foregone rental income.

From 1 July 2024 Crown Lands phased out concessions for enclosure permit holders over a two-year period. For holders of multiple enclosure permits, concessions were phased out over a three-year period.

By implementing statutory minimum rent, we ensure that tenure holders who benefit from the use of Crown land pay a reasonable return on behalf of the people of NSW.

Statutory minimum rent was \$595 on 1 July 2024 and is adjusted for CPI annually. As of 29 January 2025, statutory minimum rent is \$604.00

To support customers with this change, removal of concessions currently provided to enclosure permit holders are phased-out from 1 July 2024. This means that customers are charged \$295 from 1 July 2024 and full statutory minimum (adjusted for CPI) from 1 July 2025.

For customers who hold two or more enclosure permits, concessions are phased out over three years. This means, customers will be charged \$295 from 1 July 2024, \$413 from 1 July 2025, and full statutory minimum (adjusted by CPI) from 1 July 2026.

All customers are provided the option to change their billing cycles (yearly to quarterly or monthly) and automatic payment plans if the removal of concessions leads to financial hardship.

#	120
Question	If so, can you quantify this in either number of landholders, number of enclosures, or in revenue terms?

Q.120: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 119.

#	121
Question	Has there been an increase in the number of landholders converting enclosure permits to freehold title since the removal of concessions began?

Q.121: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 119.

#	122
Question	Since 1 July 2024, what additional resources and funding has been dedicated to land management activities such as bushfire mitigation or weed and feral pest management normally undertaken by enclosure permit holders?

Q.122: I am advised:

Any land returned following a cancellation of an enclosure permit is managed directly by the Department as business as usual. Annual pest, weed, bushfire and other land management programs are delivered using a risk-based approach with existing resources.

#	123
Question	Have any additional staff been engaged regionally for land management activities in response to changes resulting from the removal of concessions?

Q.123: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 122.

Independent Review into Statutory Framework for Small Scale Titles in New South Wales

#	124
Question	In response to recommendation 11.4 of the Review into Statutory Framework for Small Scale Titles, what additional work has been undertaken by the Lightning Ridge Area Opal Reserve Manager to improve safety within the preserved fields at Lightning Ridge? (a) Has this or will this result in any increase in the Environmental Levy paid by mineral claim holders?

Q.124: I am advised:

The Independent Review into the Statutory Framework for Small Scale Titles in NSW and subsequent report is a matter for the Minister for Natural Resources.

#	125
Question	In response to recommendation 15.4, what additional income streams has or is the Lightning Ridge Area Opal Reserve Manager implementing to reduce reliance on landholder compensation payments? (a) What is the amount of additional income the Government anticipates the Lightning Ridge Area Opal Reserve Manager can achieve through new income streams?

Q.125: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 124.

Multiculturalism

Safe Places for Faith Communities Grants

#	126
Question	Regarding the Safe Places for Faith Communities Grants: (a) Which peak religious organisations received the largest share of the funding? (b) Can you provide a breakdown of which regions of Greater Sydney and regional and rural NSW received funding and how much? (c) Will the NSW Government increase the amount total amount committed for these grants beyond the original \$15 million commitment?

Q.126: I am advised:

Grants awarded by Multicultural NSW are published in the agency's annual report.

Hate Speech Laws

#	127
Question	Regarding the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Bill 2025: (a) Apart from the Faith Affairs Council how did the Minister other cultural communities that are also going to be impacted by this bill? (b) Which cultural communities did the Minister consult?

Q.127: I am advised:

The Attorney General is responsible for the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Racial and Religious Hatred) Bill 2025.

Multicultural Media Funding

#	128
Question	Regarding the NSW Government's spend on advertising with Independent Multicultural Media: (a) How much did the NSW Government spend in the last 12 months, please provide breakdown of this figure by language?

Q.128: I am advised:

NSW Government advertising matters are the responsibility of the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government.

#	129
Question	Regarding the Multicultural and Aboriginal Advertising Policy: (a) Has the 9% spend target been reached? (b) What was the actual spend since July 2024? (c) Of the percentage spent, how much was provided specifically to Independent Multicultural Media outlets?

Q.129: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 128.

#	130
Question	Can the Minister provide the dates when he has met with the Independent Multicultural Media Association since becoming Minister?

Q.130: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 128.

Multicultural Capital Partnerships Fund

#	131
Question	Regarding the Multicultural Capital Partnerships Fund: (a) How much additional funding has the Melkite Catholic Eparchy of Australia received to complete their project? (b) What is the status of their project? (c) Does MNSW have compliance measures in place to ensure that projects remain on time and on budget, please specify?

Q.131: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 126.

#	132
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Question	Can the Minister provide a status update on each of the Multicultural Capital Partnerships Fund projects? (a) Can the Minister note if any have experienced cost overruns and how much additional funding has been requested by each project?
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Q.132: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 126.

MNSW Staff

#	133
Question	How many full-time or full-time equivalent staff does MNSW currently have? (a) Does MNSW currently possess sufficient staff to meet the demands of the agency's program and initiatives, and what benchmarks or criteria are used to assess this adequacy? (b) In terms of a percentage, how much has the MNSW workforce grown from 2019-20 to 2023-24 FYs? (c) According to MNSW's annual report from 2022-23 FY to 2023-24 FY MNSW's staff increased by 13 positions. Can the Minister explain the specific operation or strategic factors that necessitated raising the staff count from 105 to 118, and what measurable needs justified this increase? (d) With the 13-position increase, what performance indicators will be used to evaluate whether these additional roles are effectively enhancing service delivery and meeting the agency's objectives?

Q.133: I am advised:

Staff numbers are included in the annual reports of Department(s)/Agency(s).

Translation Services

#	134
Question	Regarding the Service NSW Business Bureau's free in-language support: (a) How much is being spent on the contracted independent advisors who speak a second language? (b) What languages are available other than Mandarin, Vietnamese and Arabic? (c) Are there plans to expand the number of languages available, if so, which languages?

	(d) Noting that the Service NSW Business Bureau website can be translated into 70 languages are there plans to expand this considering more than 238 languages are spoken in NSW?
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Q.134 I am advised:

Questions relating to Service NSW free in-language support should be directed to the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government.

Domestic and Family Violence in Multicultural Communities

#	135
Question	What additional steps is the NSW Government taking to address domestic and family violence in multicultural communities, particularly in relation to: (a) Funding? (b) Building a workforce of multicultural specialists workers? (c) Codesigned and community-led primary prevention and early intervention? (d) Access to income support, health care and housing for people on temporary visas?

Q.135: I am advised:

Domestic and Family Violence matters are the responsibility of the Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

#	136
Question	Will the Minister advocate for the establishment of a Domestic and Family Violence Multicultural Committee as part of the NSW Domestic and Family Violence and Sexual 19 Assault Council to inform whole-of-government strategies at the intersection of multiculturalism and domestic and family violence?

Q.136: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 135.

#	137
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Question	<p>Will the Minister advocate to Minister Harrison for the NSW Government to consider funding specific supports for migrant and refugee women experiencing violence as recommended in the Domestic Violence NSW Pre-Budget Submission such as:</p> <p>(a) \$12 million over two years for a pilot program by DVNSW to provide victim-survivors from migrant and refugee backgrounds with increased access to culturally and religiously responsive support?</p> <p>(b) \$3.45 million over two years for a pilot program for all funded women's refuges to provide essential support to women on temporary visas including living allowances, medical costs, food, clothing, transport, English classes, document translation, immigration support legal costs?</p>
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Q.137: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 135.

#	138
Question	<p>Will the Minister advocate to Minister Jackson for the extension of eligibility for women on temporary visas to the broader NSW housing and homelessness system, including access to social and affordable housing and temporary accommodation?</p>

Q.138: I am advised:

Housing and homelessness matters are the responsibility of the Minister for Housing and Minister for Homelessness.

Stockroute Park and the Discobolus Monument at Sydney Olympic Park

#	139
Question	<p>What is the status of Stockroute Park and the Discobolous Monument at Sydney Olympic Park, considering the potential impact of the Sydney Olympic Park Master Plan 2050?</p>

Q.139: I am advised:

Stockroute Park and the Discobolous Monument at Sydney Olympic Park are the responsibility of the Minister for Planning and Public Places.

#	140
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Question	If the relocation of the Discobolous Monument proceeds, what are the estimated costs, which parties would be responsible for funding this move?
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Q.140: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 139.

#	141
Question	How do you address concerns regarding the proposed removal of the Discobolous Monument, and concerns regarding the loss of this vital green space?

Q.141: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q.139.

#	142
Question	When can the public expect a definitive decision regarding the future of Stockroute Park and the Discobolous Monument?

Q.142: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 139.

#	143
Question	What measures are being taken to involve the Greek Australian community in the decision-making process regarding the future of this significant cultural landmark?

Q.143: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 139.

#	144
Question	What is the expected timeline for a final decision on the future of the site?

Q.144: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 139.

Sport

Local Sport Defibrillator Program

#	145
Question	How many applications were received for the last round of the Local Sport Defibrillator Program?

Q.145: I am advised:

The NSW Government is providing up to \$500,000 in funding to eligible sporting clubs and facility owners through the Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program in 2024/25 with grants up to \$3,000 available.

In 2024/25 funding is open to applicants within the bottom five Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) as ranked by the Australian Bureau of Statistics or those who can demonstrate financial hardship in order to prioritise available funds to those who need it most.

Regarding the in the Local Sport Defibrillator Program 2024/25:

- There were 283 applications received.
- There were 193 successful applications in the 2024/25 Local Sport Defibrillator Program.
- Seven applications were received from organisations not eligible on postcode criteria, but indicating they were experiencing financial hardship.
- Financial hardship applications were required to provide clear evidence that they were unable to meet core club expenses or other existing financial obligations as they fall due. This could be evidenced by providing a statement by an independent qualified accountant, statutory declaration, profit and loss from an annual report, or any other evidence deemed appropriate.
- Three successful applicants were deemed eligible due to demonstrating they were experiencing financial hardship.
- 34 enquiries were received from organisations in ineligible wanting to access the program.

#	146
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Question	How many applications were received from organisations not eligible on postcode criteria but able to demonstrate financial hardship?
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Q.146: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 145.

#	147
Question	How was this financial hardship measured or assessed?

Q.147: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 145.

#	148
Question	How many of the successful applicants were not eligible on postcode criteria but able to demonstrate financial hardship?

Q.148: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 145.

#	149
Question	How many successful applicants were there announced in January through the Local Sport Defibrillator Program? (a) Of these successful applicants, how many qualified due to financial hardship?

Q.149: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 145.

#	150
Question	How many enquiries did the Office of Sport receive from organisations in ineligible postcodes wanting to apply for defibrillators or complain about the inability to access the program?

Q.150: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 145.

Local Sport Grants Program

#	151
Question	When will the review into the Local Sport Grant Program be completed? (a) What were the reasons for this review being undertaken?

Q.151: I am advised:

The process evaluation is expected to be completed in FY24-25.

The evaluation will ensure that the Office meets recommendations in the NSW Grants Administration Guide to undertake evaluation of grant programs, particularly where they are significant to agency objectives as is the case for this program.

#	152
Question	Have funds been set aside for the program to be offered for the 2024/25 financial year should this review be completed in time?

Q.152: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 151.

Learn to Swim Program

#	153
Question	When establishing your Learn to Swim Program, how was it determined which communities would have access to program?

Q.153: I am advised:

The Learn to Swim program targets population groups most likely to face barriers to accessing water safety lessons, and most at risk of drowning. These groups include: First Nations, multicultural groups, low SEIFA (Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas) communities and people living in regional areas.

25 organisations applied to be a part of the new Learn to Swim program, of which 15 organisations were successful, and 10 organisations were unsuccessful.

The program covers participant transport costs in some areas.

#	154
Question	How many organisations applied to be a part of the new Learn-to-swim program? (a) Of those organisations how many were successful? (b) Of those organisations that were unsuccessful, how many were based or planned to offer programs in areas with high numbers people born overseas and those living in the most disadvantaged areas of NSW?

Q.154: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 153.

#	155
Question	Under this program can a young person residing in the Bayside Local Government Area access the Learn-to-Swim program at the Sutherland Leisure Centre? (a) What steps is the Government undertaking to ensure access to this program is available to those in most need?

Q.155: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 153.

#	156
Question	What support is the NSW Government providing those in areas that cannot easily access the swim program the Learn-to-Swim program in receiving life-saving swim lessons?

Q.156 I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 153.

Dunc Gray Velodrome

#	157
Question	As at July 2024, what was the number of cyclists participating in the NSW Institute of Sport's high performance track cycling program?

Q.157: I am advised:

In July 2024 there were 11 athletes in the Track Cycling program at Dunc Gray Velodrome plus 1 Graduate based in Adelaide.

The NSWIS track program is broken into two disciplines, sprint and endurance.

NSWIS categorised athletes on the track sprint program will be offered different solutions depending on their categorisation level. Those categorised as Podium Potential, Podium Ready and Podium will be offered scholarships on the NSWIS Individual Athlete Scholarship program. Those track sprint riders categorised at Developing or Emerging levels will be offered transition support services involving 12 months of Athlete Wellbeing and Engagement support and limited sessions of S&C, nutrition and psychology support. These transition services are offered to all athletes when they come off an NSWIS Scholarship.

NSWIS categorised athletes on the track endurance program will continue to take part in an NSWIS Endurance program. The NSWIS Endurance Cycling Head Coach will oversee the program.

The endurance program will focus on preparing these riders to be race ready in different environments through a more targeted approach to athlete development.

The endurance program will be individualised for each athlete based on their agreed Individual Athlete Development Plans agreed with AusCycling, with opportunities sourced for them to ride with pro teams both domestically and overseas.

#	158
Question	Given the NSWIS track cycling program can no longer be supported after 31 March, what support is being provided to track cycling athletes based in NSW?

Q.158: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 157.

Penrith Whitewater Stadium and Sydney International Regatta Centre

#	159
Question	Have the measures outlined by Leon Walker on Page 74 of the uncorrected transcript also been implemented at the Sydney International Regatta Centre (a) If so, when were these measures first implemented at: i. The Penrith Whitewater Stadium? ii. The Sydney International Regatta Centre?

Q.159: I am advised:

Yes, the measures are applicable to both the Penrith Whitewater Stadium and Sydney International Regatta Centre. The measures have been progressively implemented since late-2024.

Closed Grant Funding

#	160
Question	<p>What was the total allocated under the Organisation Support Program 2023-2024?</p> <p>(a) Were these funds fully deployed? If not, what was the total the amount left undeployed?</p> <p>(b) If funding has not been fully deployed, were these undeployed funds spent elsewhere in the Office of Sport or were they returned to Treasury?</p>

Q.160: I am advised:

\$5 million was allocated under the Organisation Support Program 2023-2024.

The funds were fully deployed.

#	161
Question	<p>What was the total allocated under the Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program for 2023/24?</p> <p>(a) Were these funds fully deployed? If not, what was the total the amount left undeployed?</p> <p>(b) If funding has not been fully deployed, were these undeployed funds spent elsewhere in the Office of Sport or were they returned to Treasury?</p>

Q.161: I am advised:

\$500,000 was allocated under the Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program 2023/24.

\$33.64 of the total awarded was not paid. This was due to an applicant paying a lower amount for a defibrillator and providing Office of Sport with a reduced invoice.

Unpaid funds were allocated elsewhere within the Office of Sport.

#	162
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Question	<p>What was the total allocated under the Surf Club Facility Program for 2023/24?</p> <p>(a) Were these funds fully deployed? If not, what was the total the amount left undeployed?</p> <p>(b) If funding has not been fully deployed, were these undeployed funds spent elsewhere in the Office of Sport or were they returned to Treasury?</p>
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Q.162: I am advised:

\$5.25 million was allocated under the Surf Club Facility Program for 2023/24.

As at 10 March 2025, \$2,810,250 remains to be paid to recipients. The funds not yet paid are budgeted to be paid to recipients in 2024/25 and future financial years as project milestones are met, as per the conditions of their funding agreements.

#	163
Question	<p>What was the total allocated under the Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program for 2023/24?</p> <p>(a) Were these funds fully deployed? If not, what was the total the amount left undeployed?</p> <p>(b) If funding has not been fully deployed, were these undeployed funds spent elsewhere in the Office of Sport or were they returned to Treasury?</p>

Q.163: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 161.

#	164
Question	<p>What was the total allocated under the Level the Playing Field Program for 2023/24</p> <p>(a) Were these funds fully deployed? If not, what was the total the amount left undeployed?</p> <p>(b) If funding has not been fully deployed, were these undeployed funds spent elsewhere in the Office of Sport or were they returned to Treasury?</p>

Q.164: I am advised:

\$30 million was allocated under the Level the Playing Field Program 2023/24.

As at 10 March 2025, \$12,201,548 remains to be paid to recipients. The funds not yet paid are budgeted to be paid to recipients in 2024/25 and future financial years as project milestones are met, as per the conditions of their funding agreements.

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#	165
Question	<p>What was the total allocated under the Local Sport Grant Program for 2023/24</p> <p>(a) Were these funds fully deployed? If not, what was the total the amount left undeployed?</p> <p>(b) If funding has not been fully deployed, were these undeployed funds spent elsewhere in the Office of Sport or were they returned to Treasury?</p>

Q.165: I am advised:

\$4.65 million was allocated under the Local Sport Grant Program 2023/24.

\$56,200.85 of the total awarded was not paid. This was due to recipient withdrawal or failure to claim grant.

Unpaid funds were allocated elsewhere within the Office of Sport.

Budget

#	166
Question	<p>The 2024-25 Budget provided a revised 2023-24 figure of \$400,446,000 in expenses, however \$594,542,000 was budgeted. What is the reason for this discrepancy?</p>

Q.166: I am advised:

The lower revised budget is mainly due to grants expense carry forwards from 2023-24 to forward years. The carry forwards are due to delayed infrastructure projects resulting in deferred milestones for grant expenses.

#	167
Question	<p>The 2024-25 Budget provided a revised 2023-24 figure of \$59,243,000 in employee related operating expenses. However, \$61,07,000 was budgeted, please outline the reason for this discrepancy.</p>

Q.167: I am advised:

The reduced amount in employee-related operating expenses in 2023-24 is mainly due to unfilled positions during 2023-24.

#	168
Question	The 2024-25 Budget provided a revised 2023-24 figure of \$282,052,000 in Grants and Subsidies, however \$477,638,000 was budgeted for 2023-24. What is the reason for this discrepancy?

Q.168: I am advised:

The lower revised budget in Grants and Subsidies is mainly due to grants expense carry forwards from 2023-24 to forward years. The carry forwards are due to delayed infrastructure projects resulting in deferred milestones for grant expenses.

#	169
Question	The 2024-25 Budget provided a revised 2023-24 figure of \$106,396,000 in Total Current Assets but only \$84,801,000 for 2024-25. What is the reason for this discrepancy?

Q.169: I am advised:

The lower current assets budget in 2024-25 is mainly due to forecasted payments for a grant program and a capital project during 2024-25.

#	170
Question	The 2024-25 Budget provided a revised figure of \$180,121,000 in Land and Building Assets. Please provide a list of these assets including street address, suburb and facility name. Please provide a detailed list of Right of Use assets for the 2024-25 year.

Q.170: I am advised:

Details on Land and Building Assets are available in the 2024-25 Budget.

Small Business

Business insolvency

#	171
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Question	NSW tourism remains 10.4% below 2019 levels yet the government continues to highlight an 8.6% rise in recent months. Why is the focus on selective figures instead of addressing the ongoing challenges facing businesses?
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Q.171: I am advised:

The Service NSW Business Bureau was launched in October 2023, delivering on the NSW Government's commitment to supporting small businesses. The Bureau provides free navigational and advisory support services to NSW small businesses across NSW in all sectors, including construction and hospitality, helping them address current economic challenges including high operating costs, ensuring they are aware of growth opportunities (e.g. tendering to government, export programs), referred to relevant supports on staffing and training and provided with tailored advice on financial and business planning, marketing, communications and digital literacy capability uplift.

In the 2024 calendar year (1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024) the Business Bureau has supported:

- 11,600 business customers (ongoing case management)
- 27,000 business customers with transactional support
- 10,500 business customers with Business Connect advice
- 45,800 active Business Profile users
- 16,400 active mobile app users

Since 2023, Bureau staff have met with 53 industry associations across 29 industry sectors including hospitality, retail, accounting, legal, construction, trades, franchises, recreation and sport, health and transport sectors. Bureau staff also meet regularly with key organisations including COSBOA, Business NSW, CPA Australia, Master Builders Association and Regional Development Australia.

#	172
Question	NSW recorded more hospitality business closures than any other state between July and December 2024. What targeted financial relief has been provided to support restaurants cafés and venues struggling with rising costs?

Q.172: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 171.

#	173
Question	NSW accounted for 42% of all business insolvencies in 2023-24 despite making up just 31% of the population. Why has there been a failure to implement sufficient support measures for small businesses?

Q.173: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 171.

#	174
Question	Between October and December last year only one meeting on small business was held despite widespread closures and financial distress. Why has engagement with struggling businesses been so limited?

Q.174: I am advised:

I regularly meet with representatives from the small business community. Events are generally not recorded in Ministers' Diary Disclosures.

Ministers' Diary Disclosures are published on The Cabinet Office website:

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/the-cabinet-office/access-to-information/ministers-diary-disclosures>

#	175
Question	Construction and hospitality insolvencies continue to rise. What urgent relief measures have been introduced to prevent further closures and support businesses at risk?

Q.175: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 171.

#	176
Question	Business NSW has shown NSW's hospitality sector is experiencing a sharp rise in insurance premiums, making it even harder for small businesses to remain viable. What action has been taken to address the rising cost of business insurance?

Q.176: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 171.

Workplace shortages

#	177
Question	Access to skilled workers remains a major issue for construction businesses, with ongoing staff shortages. What measures have been put in place to improve workforce retention and training in these industries?

Q.177: I am advised:

Skills-related matters are the responsibility of the Minister for Skills, TAFE and Tertiary Education.

Toll Relief

#	178
Question	With the NSW Toll Relief Rebate Scheme set to conclude on 30 June 2025, what measures are being considered to assist small businesses with toll costs beyond this date? Will the government introduce a replacement program to continue easing cost-of-doing business pressures?

Q.178: I am advised:

Toll relief matters are the responsibility of the Minister for Roads.

Business Bureau and Business Charter

#	179
Question	Now that the Charter for Small Business has been in place for a year what practical actions have resulted from it? The Charter commits to developing and applying performance metrics to NSW Government agencies. What are those specific metrics and which agencies are they being applied to?

Q.179: I am advised:

The Charter for Small Business is underpinned by a 2-year Action Plan. An annual progress report will be published soon reflecting achievements under the Plan including metrics. It includes:

- release of a new online self-check tool to support motor vehicle repairers in staying compliant, identify opportunities to improve, and avoid fines,
- supporting vibrancy reforms by digitising processes that small businesses use to apply for a takeaway liquor licence to make it easier and quicker to comply, and
- supporting food handling businesses with compliance of new food standards regulations, through enhanced referral pathways between the Business Bureau and NSW Food Authority.

The NSW Government has provided the following targeted financial support:

- SafeWork small business rebate (\$1000) for small business owners and sole traders to purchase safety-related items
- Active and Creative Kids voucher program which provides two \$50 vouchers for eligible families with school-aged children for sport, recreational, creative or cultural activities, redeemed through small business providers. Businesses can use the Bureau's Mobile App to redeem vouchers.
- Toll Relief program providing 40% cash back for eligible sole traders with a personal, business, or mixed toll account who spend more than \$402 a year for tolls accrued from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. Eligible sole traders can claim up to \$1,605, claims need to be submitted prior to 30 June 2025.
- Business Connect Advice program providing business owners with 8 hours of free tailored advice from an independent business advisor on a range of specialised topics such as marketing, bookkeeping, online growth and procurement tendering
- Disaster support for Maitland, Port Stephens, and Snowy Valleys Local Government Areas affected by severe weather and storms from 15 January 2025. NSW residents experiencing a power outage longer than 12 hours in the storm are eligible for up to \$250 from Ausgrid to cover food spoilage, electrical appliance damage, damage to property
- Business recovery support for Far West NSW, \$200 for individuals, \$400 for small and medium businesses directly impacted by the electrical power outages
- Disaster support for individuals and families impacted by Cyclone Alfred, with \$180 for individuals and up to \$900 for families.

Since the Service NSW Business Bureau launched in October 2023, there has been a focus on key Government priorities to boost small businesses access to export and procurement opportunities, supporting impacted businesses following unplanned events on behalf of partner agencies, as well as working collaboratively across Government to cut red tape.

On export, the Bureau has been working closely with Investment NSW to:

- enable smooth referrals to its Export Capability Building, Investment Attraction, and Going Global programs
- integrate its call service for small businesses wanting export support, with businesses calling for export advice connected with other supports relevant to their business. This has achieved a 90% satisfaction rating for support received, and there have been over 3,000 visits to Bureau's export web page.

The Bureau also connects businesses with other export opportunities including Business & Skilled Migration, Fostering Innovation Sponsorship and International Landing Pad programs and links them up with innovation precincts (Sydney Startup Hub, Western Sydney Startup Hub, Tech Central).

On procurement, the Bureau is supporting small businesses understand NSW Government procurement processes and steps to take to submit a tender. Business Concierges refer small businesses to procurement resources developed by NSW Small Business Commission and TAFE NSW and relevant training program. Business Connect advisors can assist them undertake an assessment of their 'tender readiness' and help them build capability to procure.

The Bureau is also working with NSW Procurement on making it easier for small businesses to tender and win contracts.

The Bureau supports small businesses impacted by unplanned events, leveraging its strong relationships with local small businesses, councils and agencies to deliver integrated support to small businesses quickly and efficiently. It has included supporting small businesses impacted by:

- fire ants and varroa mite in northern NSW,
- the electrical power outage in Far West NSW,
- the stabbing incident in Bondi Junction Westfield with a business recovery hub set up,
- M6 construction works creating a sinkhole in Rockdale, and
- the closure of a major meat renderer in Riverstone.

The Business Bureau is also ready to respond and assist in disaster recovery, as it is currently following Cyclone Alfred and recent storm and flood events.

In 2024, (1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024) the Business Bureau has supported:

- 11,600 business customers (ongoing case management), with an 86% satisfaction rating
- 27,000 business customers with transactional support
- 10,500 business customers with Business Connect advice, with a 96% satisfaction rating

- 45,800 active Business Profile users
- 16,400 active mobile app users.

Since 2023, Bureau staff have met with 53 industry associations across 29 industry sectors including hospitality, retail, accounting, legal, construction, trades, franchises, recreation and sport, health and transport sectors to understand issues impacting their sectors including red tape. Bureau staff also meet regularly with COSBOA, Business NSW, CPA Australia, Master Builders Association and Regional Development Australia.

#	180
Question	The Charter for Small Business also speaks of “streamlining regulation and providing targeted financial support.” What specific examples can the government provide from the past year where these commitments have been implemented?

Q.180: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 179.

#	181
Question	What services does Service NSW Business Bureau now provide that were not being provided by ServiceNSW before the Bureau came into existence?

Q.181: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 179.

#	182
Question	How has the government measured the effectiveness of the Business Bureau in reducing regulatory burdens or simplifying business operations?

Q.182: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 179.

#	183
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Question	The Charter for Small Business pledged to boost procurement opportunities for small businesses. What percentage of NSW Government contracts have been awarded to small businesses in the past year and how does this compare to previous years?
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Q.183: I am advised:

Procurement matters are the responsibility of the Minister for Finance.

General Questions

CFMEU meetings

#	184
Question	Given ministerial diary disclosures do not include all meetings and provide exceptions to disclosures, since 28 March 2023, have you met with the CFMEU?

Q.184: I am advised:

In accordance with the Premier's Memorandum M2015-05 Publication of Ministerial Diaries and Release of Overseas Travel Information, all Ministers publish extracts from their diaries, summarising details of scheduled meetings held with stakeholders, external organisations, third-party lobbyists and individuals.

Ministers are not required to disclose details of the following meetings:

- meetings involving Ministers, ministerial staff, parliamentarians or government officials (whether from NSW or other jurisdictions)
- meetings that are strictly personal, electorate or party political
- social or public functions or events
- meetings held overseas (which must be disclosed in accordance with regulation 6(1)(b) of the Government Information (Public Access) Regulation 2018 and Attachment B to the Premier's Memorandum), and
- matters for which there is an overriding public interest against disclosure.

Ministers' diary disclosures are published quarterly on The Cabinet Office's Website:

(<https://www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/the-cabinet-office/access-to-information/ministers-diary-disclosures>).

ETU meetings

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Ministerial disclosures to The Cabinet Office

#	186
Question	On what date did you last update/make a ministerial disclosure to The Cabinet Office?

Q.186: I am advised:

The Ministerial Code of Conduct (Ministerial Code) requires Ministers to make certain disclosures to the Premier and the Secretary of The Cabinet Office. I comply with my obligations under the Ministerial Code.

Department(s)/Agency(s) Employees

#	187
Question	How many redundancies were processed by each Department(s)/agency(s) within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

	<p>(a) Of these redundancies, how many were:</p> <p>i. Voluntary?</p> <p>ii. Forced?</p> <p>(b) What was the total cost of all redundancies in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?</p> <p>(c) On what page are redundancies published in the respective Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports?</p>
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Q.187: I am advised:

Redundancies are published in the respective Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports under employee related expenses.

Published Annual reports can be accessed on respective Departmental websites.

Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports

#	188
Question	On what date were the annual report(s) from 2023-24 for each department / agency in your portfolio published?

Q.188: I am advised:

The annual reports were tabled in accordance with the requirements of the *Government Sector Finance Act 2018*.

#	189
Question	Were the annual report(s) from 2023-24 for each department / agency in your portfolio printed? (a) If yes, what was the printing cost(s) for each department / agency?

Q.189: I am advised:

Annual reports should be prepared in accordance with the NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines TPG23-10 Annual Reporting Requirements. TP23-10 also requires that an agency's annual report contain the total external costs incurred in the production of the report, including printing costs.

#	190
Question	Did the annual report(s) from 2023-24 for each department / agency in your portfolio use in part or full an external production / body / consultant to draft? (a) If yes, what was the cost(s) for each department / agency?

Q.190: I am advised:

In accordance with the Treasury Policy and Guidelines TPG23-10 Annual Reporting Requirements, an agency's annual report must contain the total external costs incurred in the production of the report, including fees for consultants.

#	191
Question	In what month will the 2024-25 annual report(s) for each department / agency in your portfolio be published?

Q.191: I am advised:

The annual report of a reporting GSF agency is to be prepared, submitted and tabled in accordance with requirements under the *Government Sector Finance Act 2018* and Treasurer's Direction 23-11 Annual reporting requirements.

#	192
Question	Will the 2024-25 annual report(s) for the department / agency in your portfolio include a printed copy? (a) If yes, how much is budgeted for printing in 2024-25 for each department / agency?

Q.192: I am advised:

Annual reports should be prepared in accordance with the NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines TPG23-10 Annual Reporting Requirements. TP23-10 also requires that an agency's annual report contain the total external costs incurred in the production of the report, including printing costs.

State Records Act

#	193
Question	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?

Q.193: I am advised:

The Ministers' Office Handbook provides guidance in relation to recordkeeping obligations under the *State Records Act 1998*.

The Cabinet Office also provide guidance, advice, training and support on these obligations for Ministers' offices.

Further information is available on State Records NSW's website:

(www.nsw.gov.au/departments-and-agencies/dciths/state-records-nsw).

I expect my office to comply with their obligations under the *State Records Act 1998*.

Advertising

#	194
Question	On what page is advertising published in the respective Department(s)/Agency(s) annual report(s)?

Q.194: I am advised:

Annual reports are published on the website of the relevant department or agency and are also held by the Parliamentary Library.

Agency expenditure must be reported in accordance with TD23-11 Annual reporting requirements and TPG23-10 Annual Reporting Requirements.

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

#	195
Question	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 website URL?

Q.195: I am advised:

The standards for publishing gifts and hospitality are outlined in the Public Service Commissioner's Direction No. 1 of 2022 – Managing Gifts and Benefits: Minimum Standards.

Ministerial staff disclosure of gifts and/or hospitality

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Question	Does your ministerial office keep a register of gifts and/or hospitality for staff to make disclosures? (a) If yes, what is the website URL?
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Q.196: I am advised:

All Ministerial staff are required to comply with their disclosure obligations under the Gifts, Hospitality and Benefits Policy for Office Holder Staff and I expect them to do so.

A breach of the Policy may be a breach of the Office Holder's Staff Code of Conduct. The Policy includes disclosure obligations for Ministerial staff in respect of gifts, hospitality and benefits over \$150.

If a Ministerial staff member is required by their role to accompany their Office Holder at an event that the Office Holder is attending as the State's representative, or where the Office Holder has asked the staff member to attend, then attendance at that event would not constitute a gift or benefit for the purposes of the Policy.

#	197
Question	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?

Q.197: I am advised:

All Ministers are expected to comply with their obligations under the NSW Ministerial Code of Conduct (Ministerial Code) at all times.

The Ministerial Code sets the ethical standards of behaviour required of Ministers and establishes practices and procedures to assist with compliance.

Among other matters, the Ministerial Code requires Ministers to:

- disclose their pecuniary interests and those of their immediate family members to the Premier
- seek rulings from the Premier if they wish to hold shares, directorships, other business interests or engage in secondary employment (known as 'prohibited interests')
- identify, avoid, disclose and manage conflicts of interest
- disclose gifts and hospitality with a market value over \$500.

A substantial breach of the Ministerial Code (including a knowing breach of any provision of the Schedule) may constitute corrupt conduct for the purposes of the *Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988*.

Ministerial Code of Conduct

#	198
Question	Since 28 March 2023, have you breached the Ministerial Code of Conduct? (a) If yes, what was the breach?

Q.198: I am advised:

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A substantial breach of the Ministerial Code (including a knowing breach of any provision of the Schedule) may constitute corrupt conduct for the purposes of the *Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 1988*.

Credit Cards

#	199
Question	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?

Q.199: I am advised:

Ministers and Ministerial Staff are not eligible to receive Departmental credit cards except in the case of overseas travel. In cases of overseas travel short-term cards will be issued and returned at the completion of official travel together with a travel diary for fringe benefit tax purposes.

Where an NSW Government-issued credit card is provided the credit card must only be used for official overseas business trips and official business purposes, this includes for transport to/from the airport when departing/returning from the trip. NSW Government-issued credit cards for official business trips overseas will be held with government contract bankers and used within credit limits imposed.

Credit cards are a useful means of expenditure control, but their use should never be for personal purposes.

Costs associated with overseas travel are published on the NSW Government website in line with M2015-05.

#	200
Question	Do public servants in your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) been issued with department/agency credit cards?

Q.200: I am advised:

The use and management of purchasing (credit) cards for official purposes is in accordance with standard procurement arrangements of the NSW Government.

#	201
Question	If yes, what is the website URL of the credit card policy?

Q.201: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 200.

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

#	202
Question	Do you have a desk or office in your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) building(s)?

Q.202: I am advised:

I make use of an office in 52 Martin Place, NSW Parliament and my Electorate office.

When travelling, Ministers may make ad hoc arrangements to work for periods in Departmental offices.

Senior Executive Drivers

#	203
Question	As at 1 February 2025, how many senior executives in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) have a driver?

Q.203: I am advised:

No senior executive employed within Department(s)/Agency(s) reporting to me has a Driver.

GIPA Applications – Ministerial Office

#	204
Question	Has your Ministerial Office received a GIPA Application(s) since 28 March 2023? (a) If yes, how many? (b) If yes, what is the website URL of the disclosure log?

Q.204: I am advised:

GIPA statistics for Ministers' offices are published in the annual reports of the Department of Communities and Justice.

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

#	205
Question	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)?

Q.205: I am advised:

Under the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*:

An agency is not subject to the direction or control of any Minister in the exercise of the agency's functions in dealing with a particular access application.

My office complies with the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*.

GIPA Act – Disclosure Log Website URL

#	206
Question	What is the website URL for the GIPA Act disclosure log each of your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?

Q.206: I am advised:

Disclosure logs are published and are available on the respective websites of each Department(s)/Agency(s).

TikTok

#	207
Question	Are you on TikTok? (a) If yes, do you access TikTok from a NSW Government device?

Q.207: I am advised:

The Circular DCS-2025-01 Cyber Security NSW Directive - Restricted Applications List advises how NSW Government agencies are required to appropriately manage risks to NSW Government information on government-issued devices, or personal devices that are used for government business.

Signal

#	208
Question	Are you and/or your ministerial staff on Signal? (a) If yes, do you and/or your ministerial staff access Signal from a NSW Government device? (b) If yes, does Signal comply with the State Records Act?

Q.208: I am advised:

Like the former Coalition Government, a range of communications are used by the NSW Government.

I comply with the *State Records Act 1998*, and I expect all staff members to comply with their obligations under the *State Records Act 1998*.

Training

#	209
Question	<p>Since 28 March 2023, have you had training from an external stakeholder that included an invoice and payment paid for using your ministerial budget?</p> <p>(a) If yes, what is the description of training?</p> <p>(b) If yes, how much?</p>

Q.209: I am advised:

Ministers have undertaken a program of Ministerial induction training.

Ministers have undertaken training on the Respectful Workplace Policy.

Members of Parliament are provided with a Skills Development Allowance that may be used in a manner consistent with the Parliamentary Remuneration Tribunal Annual Determination.

Ministerial Office Budgets are managed in accordance with the Ministers' Office Handbook.

Cabinet documents

#	210
Question	<p>Since 28 March 2023, have you shared Cabinet documents with your Parliamentary Secretary?</p>

Q.210: I am advised:

The conventions and practice for access to Cabinet documents are outlined in Premier's Memorandum M2006-08 - Maintaining Confidentiality of Cabinet Documents and Other Cabinet Conventions.

The Premier's Memorandum M2006-08 provides that the unauthorised and/or premature disclosure of Cabinet documents undermines collective ministerial responsibility and the convention of Cabinet confidentiality. It is essential that the confidentiality of Cabinet documents is maintained to enable full and frank discussions to be had prior to Cabinet making decisions.

Parliamentary Secretary

#	211
Question	Does your Parliamentary Secretary have pass access to your ministerial office?

Q.211: I am advised:

Security passes for the parliamentary precinct and 52 Martin Place are required to be issued in accordance with the Parliament House Security Pass Policy and 52 Martin Place security procedures and the associated Privacy and Surveillance Statement.

#	212
Question	Does your Parliamentary Secretary have a desk in your ministerial office?

Q.212: I am advised:

No.

#	213
Question	Has your Parliamentary Secretary ever used your Ministerial Vehicle?

Q.213: I am advised:

The Ministers' Office Handbook provides that:

- the Premier's Department will provide each Minister with a designated vehicle, which may be used by other drivers nominated by the Minister from time to time.
- the Premier's Department transport services may be used by Parliamentary Secretaries for official business trips in connection with their duties as Parliamentary Secretaries, with costs paid from the Ministers' office budget.

Media releases and statements

#	214
Question	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?

Q.214: I am advised:

The Department of Customer Service (DCS) is responsible for managing www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases and the publication of media releases.

Overseas Travel

#	215
Question	As Minister, do you approve overseas travel for public servants from your portfolio department(s)/agency(s)?

Q.215: I am advised:

The NSW Government Travel and Transport Policy provides a framework for NSW Government travelling employees and covers official air and land travel by public officials using public money. Section 2.1 of that Policy sets out approvals required in relation to overseas travel. Further information in relation to the Policy can be found here: <https://www.info.buy.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/travel-and-transport-policy>

NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines – Annual Reporting Requirements (TPG-10) requires agencies to include information on overseas visits by officers and employees in agency annual reports.

Data Breaches

#	216
Question	Does your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) keep a register of data breaches in accordance with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection (PIIP) Act?

Q.216: I am advised:

Agencies are required by section 59ZD of the *Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (PIIP Act)* to prepare, publish and make publicly available a data breach policy. The PIIP Act does not provide for the internal register to be made public.

Under clause 17 of Schedule 1 to the *Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009*, it is conclusively presumed that there is an overriding public interest against disclosure of information contained in a document prepared for the assessment of an eligible data breach under the PIIP Act, Part 6A, if the information could worsen a public sector agency's cyber security or lead to further data breaches.

#	217
Question	If yes to 38, what is the website?

Q.217: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 216.

Discretionary Fund

#	218
Question	As Minister, do you have a discretionary fund? (a) If yes, what department(s) / agency(s) administer it? (b) If yes, what is the website URL detailing expenditure?

Q.218: I am advised:

Information relating to grants administered by Department(s)/Agency(s) are available in their respective individual Annual Reports.

Published Annual reports can be accessed on respective websites.

Qantas Chairman's Lounge

#	219
Question	Are you a member of the Qantas Chairmans Lounge?

Q.219: I am advised:

Relevant disclosures have been made to The Cabinet Office and to the NSW Parliament.

Local Government Councillors

#	220
Question	How many of your Ministerial staff is a local government councillor(s)?

Q.220: I am advised:

Ministerial staff are employed by Ministers, on behalf of the State, in their capacity as "political office holders" under Part 2 of the *Members of Parliament Staff Act 2013*.

All Ministerial staff are required to comply with the NSW Office Holder's Staff Code of Conduct, including obligations to seek approval for secondary employment, and to take reasonable steps to avoid, and in all cases disclose, any actual or potential conflicts of interest (real or apparent).

Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC

Public land audit

#	221
Question	<p>In relation to the ongoing audit of public land for the purposes of identifying “surplus” land suitable for use as housing, how many properties, by local government area, have been assessed through the audit?</p> <p>(a) How many properties, by local government area, have been deemed suitable for use as housing?</p> <p>(b) How far is the audit from completion in terms of months/weeks?</p> <p>(c) How far is the audit from completion in terms of the number of properties yet to be assessed?</p> <p>(d) Will Homes NSW and LAHC be required to purchase land identified as suitable for use as housing at market value?</p> <p>i. What policies or legislation determine how the property is purchased, sold and/or transferred?</p>

Q.221: I am advised:

The NSW Government will deliver up to 30,000 well-located homes, close to infrastructure and transport, with amenities and work opportunities, with surplus land to be made available for housing over the next four years.

The locations of sites suitable for housing are progressively being announced as they are transferred to housing delivery agencies or brought to market for sale.

The property audit will continue as an ongoing and regular function of government in our efforts to find new opportunities to deliver critically needed housing across NSW.

In accordance with the Treasurer's Directions and the Government Property Framework, market value must be realised on the sale of government assets including for transfers between NSW Government agencies. This is detailed in ‘Premiers Memorandum M2024-08 Government Property Framework’.

#	222
Question	<p>In relation to the 11 publicly owned properties that will be sold at a group auction on 2 April 2025, what is the address of each of these properties?</p> <p>i. Which agency currently owns each of these properties?</p> <p>ii. What is the current use of these properties? (E.g. - privately leased residence, meanwhile use, vacant block, etc)</p> <p>(b) Were each of these properties offered for sale to LAHC?</p> <p>(c) Were each of these properties offered for sale to Homes NSW?</p>

	<p>(d) Were other agencies provided with the option to purchase these properties?</p> <p>i. If so, which agencies?</p> <p>ii. What was the process for how these offers were made? UP TO HERE</p> <p>(e) If the properties were offered to LAHC and Homes NSW, what were the respective dates of these offers?</p> <p>i. When did these agencies decline to purchase the properties; and</p> <p>ii. On what basis did they decline to purchase the properties?</p> <p>(f) Were additional properties offered to LAHC and/or Homes NSW that they did agree to purchase as part of this audit?</p> <p>i. If so, how many?</p> <p>30</p> <p>(g) What portion, if any, of the proceeds from the sale of the 11 properties will be made available to LAHC for the purposes of increasing housing supply?</p> <p>(h) What portion, if any, of the proceeds from the sale of the 11 properties will be made available to Homes NSW for the purposes of increasing housing supply?</p>
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Q.222: I am advised:

Please refer to the answer to Q. 221.