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Western Sydney

1. Of the \$146 million allocated in this year's budget for projects for the NSW Police Force,
 - a. What proportion of funding has been allocated to train and support the 500 new probationary constables added in Greater Western Sydney since May 2011, in their development to effectively engage with and understand issues particularly affecting the CALD communities of Western Sydney and more generally, other minority groups, for example the LGBTI community?
 - b. Is there any plan to introduce such a program?
2. During the hearing for Western Sydney on Friday 16 August 2013, a correlation was made between sleeping rough and those suffering from a mental illness.
 - a. How much of the \$324 million allocated to the Blacktown and Mt Druitt expansion will support the Western Sydney community in addressing mental health issues to alleviate the numbers sleeping rough?
 - b. How much of the \$139 million allocated to the redevelopment of Macarthur GP After Hours Service, Stage 1 will support the Western Sydney community in addressing mental health issues to alleviate the numbers sleeping rough?
 - c. How much of the \$138 million Nepean Hospital redevelopment will support the Western Sydney community in addressing mental health issues to alleviate the numbers sleeping rough?
 - d. What programs does the government have specifically targeting rough sleepers in Western Sydney?

General Questions

1. What is your relationship to Michael Photios?
2. How often do you speak with him?
3. Have you met with clients of PremierState?
4. On how many occasions and what dates did you meet with Michael Photios or representatives of PremierState?
5. What was discussed at these meetings?
6. On how many occasions have you declined to meet with Michael Photios or a client of PremierState?

7. Did you attend his wedding?
8. Did Michael Photios vote in your preselection?
9. Have you met with lobbyists other than PremierState?
10. On how many occasions have you met with a lobbyist, and what were the dates of these meetings?
11. Which lobbyists have you met with, and what was discussed?
12. On how many occasions have you declined to meet with a lobbyist?
13. To deliver greater transparency and accountability, will you publish a monthly online diary of all meetings with lobbyists?
14. In order to deliver greater transparency and accountability, as promised by the Premier, will you commit to keeping a record of all lobbying activities and documentation and allow them to be subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act?
15. Since becoming a Minister, have you taken any interstate or intrastate trips involving overnight accommodation or flights?
16. Will you provide a list to the committee of the details of all travel?
17. Have you taken any trips intrastate or interstate to attend Liberal/National Party functions? What are the details of the trips including dates and costs?
18. Have you taken any trips intrastate or interstate to attend lobbyists' functions? What are the details of the trips including dates and costs?
19. Were these trips paid for by the taxpayer?
20. Were these trips booked through the government travel management system?
21. Since becoming a Minister, have you paid back money to the state because you booked unauthorised travel with the government travel management system? How much? When did you travel? When did you pay back the money? How many occasions has this happened?
22. Have you had meetings scheduled interstate or intrastate on Fridays or weekends which involved you staying overnight?
23. Did you take your spouse/partner on these trips?
24. Have any members of your staff made complaints to or raised concerns with you, your Chief of Staff or the Department of Premier and Cabinet about bullying in your office?
25. If so, have any members of your staff resigned or been removed from their position after making such a complaint or raising such concerns?

26. How many blackberries or smart phones are assigned to your staff?
27. For each phone, how much was each bill in the 2012/13 financial year?
28. How many have phones have been lost in your office?
29. What is the cost of replacing those phones?
30. How many iPads or tablet computers does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
31. How many iPads or tablet computers have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
32. How many iPhones or other smart phones does DPC assign to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
33. How many iPhones or other smart phones have you purchased for your office and to whom have they been issued?
34. How many iPhones or other smart phones have been lost in your office?
35. How many iPads or tablet computers have been lost in your office?
36. What is the cost of replacing those phones or iPads or tablet computers?
37. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies?
38. What is the forecast for 2013/14 for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
39. Have any of your overseas trips in the past year been paid for in part or in full by using public money?
40. If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
41. What is the annual remuneration package for your chief of staff
42. What is the annual remuneration package for your head media advisor?
43. What is the annual remuneration package for each of your staff?
44. What is the estimated expenditure for your office budget in 2012-13?
45. Have any office renovations or fit outs been undertaken in your ministerial office since April, 2011?
46. If so, could you give details of contracted costs?

47. What is your Ministerial office budget for 2013/14?
48. How many political advisors are in your office?
49. How many administration staff?
50. How many Department Liaison Officers are assigned to your office?
51. How many staff in the Department are assigned to Ministerial support duties?
52. Are any contractors or consultants working in your ministerial office?
53. If so, in what capacities?
54. How much did your Ministerial office spend on contractors or consultants?
55. How much did your Ministerial office spend on taxi fares, including Cabcharge in the 2012/13 financial year?
56. Are any of your portfolio agencies undergoing a restructure?
57. How many jobs are expected to be cut as a result of that restructure?
58. How many people are expected to have their wages cut as a result of that restructure?
59. How many voluntary redundancies were offered in your Departments since April 2011?
60. How many voluntary redundancies were accepted from employees in your Departments since April 2011?
61. How many voluntary redundancies are expected to be offered in 2013/14?
62. How much did your Department(s) spend on catering in 2012/13?
63. How much did your Department(s) spend on stationary in 2012/13?
64. What is your Department's catering budget?
65. What is your Department's stationary budget?
66. Since April 2011 have any of the agencies in your Department(s) changed their branding?
67. If so, how much was spent on rebranding the agency?
68. How long is the average turnaround for responding to correspondence in your Department(s)?
69. How many pieces of correspondence have been outstanding for more than 60 days?

70. In 2012/13 how many invoices has your Department(s) failed to pay a supplier or contractor for more than 30 days?
71. As a result of late payment, how much penalty interest has been paid to contractors since 1 January 2011?
72. How many invoices have been outstanding for longer than 60 days?
73. Does your department provide recurrent grant funds to non-government organisations? If yes,
- What are the names of all organisations in receipt of funding?
 - What is the total amount of funding received by each organisation including goods and services tax?
 - On what date was the funding advanced?
 - What was the purpose for each grant or funding advance?
 - Was any funding withheld or returned?
 - If so, what were the reasons for withholding or requiring the funding to be returned?
 - What is the indexation rate applied to non-recurrent grant funds in 2013/2013?
 - What are the details of any costs involved in each study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - Have any provisions been included in grant agreements to prohibit these organisations from criticising the Government or any of its policies?
74. How many contractors has your Department(s) retained since 1 July 2013 and at what cost?
75. What is the current level of Aboriginal employment within your Department(s)?
76. How has that changed since 1 July 2012?
77. Since 1 July 2011, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your Department(s)?
78. Is your department currently undertaking any feasibility studies, audits, taskforces or reviews? If so; then;
- What are the terms of reference or details of each study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - Who is conducting the study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - Was each study, audit, taskforce or review was publically advertised seeking expression of interest or competitive tenders?
 - Is there a contract in place detailing terms of engagement for the study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - What is the timeline of each study, audit, taskforce or review?
 - What are the details of any costs involved in each study, audit, taskforce or review?
79. Can you please list all travel related costs for your Parliamentary Secretaries incurred in their capacity as Parliamentary Secretary since 1 July 2012
- kilometres travelled
 - accommodation,
 - air fares
 - meals/entertaining?

80. Can you please provide details of the following activities undertaken by your Parliamentary Secretaries since 1 July 2012;
- a. meetings attended in their capacity as Parliamentary Secretary?
 - b. functions attended in their capacity as Parliamentary Secretary?
81. How often do you meet with your Parliamentary Secretaries?
- a. Are these meetings documented?
 - b. Who attends these meetings?
82. Who provides instructions and direction to your Parliamentary Secretaries, you or your Chief of Staff?
83. Have the Parliamentary Secretaries been provided with Speech, Voice or Media Training since becoming Parliamentary Secretary? If so, then;
- a. Who conducted the training?
 - b. When was it conducted?
 - c. Where was it conducted what were the costs of the training?
 - d. Who paid for the training?