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10 world cups in 10 years

1. What is the status of the government's plan to bid for 10 world cups over 10 years?
2. What was the total visitor spend at the ATP Cup 2020 in:
 - (a) Sydney?
 - (b) Brisbane?
 - (c) Perth?
3. What was the total visitor spend at the Rugby League World Cup 9s 2019 in Sydney?

Motor Vehicle Sports (Public Safety) Act 1985

4. What is the status of the review of the Motor Vehicle Sports (Public Safety) Act 1985 review?
5. Will the submissions to the review be made publicly available?
6. When will the report of the review be finalised?
7. How many licences for meetings for motor vehicle racing were issued under s4 of the Motor Vehicle Sports (Public Safety) Act 1985 in each of the past 5 years?

Combat Sports Act 2013

8. What is the status of the Combat Sports Act 2013 review?
9. Will the submissions to the review be made publicly available?
10. When will the report of the review be finalised?
11. How many combatants are registered in each class under the s10 of the Combat Sports Act 2013?
12. How many industry participants are registered in each class under s20 of the Combat Sports Act 2013?

Sporting Bodies' Loans Guarantee Act 1977

13. How many guarantees are current under the Sporting Bodies' Loans Guarantee Act 1977 for each of the following:
 - (a) the acquisition of land, or land and buildings thereon?

- (b) the construction, improvement or alteration of buildings?
- (c) the acquisition of items of plant or equipment that have or are to become fixtures?

Staffing

14. What is the total number of FTE staff in the Office of Sport?
 - (a) What is the number of FTE staff in each division of the Office of Sport?
 - (b) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (c) How many positions were advertised in each division of the Office of Sport over the last 12 months?
 - (d) How many FTE positions are currently vacant in each division of the Office of Sport?
15. What is the total number of FTE staff in Venues NSW?
 - (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
16. What is the total number of FTE staff in the Combat Sports Authority?
 - (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
17. What is the total number of FTE staff in the State Sporting Venues Authority?
 - (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
18. What is the total number of FTE staff at Sport and Recreation Centres?
 - (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
19. What is the total number of FTE staff in Sydney International Equestrian Centre?
 - (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?

- (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
20. What is the total number of FTE staff in Sydney International Regatta Centre?
- (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
21. What is the total number of FTE staff in Sydney International Shooting Centre?
- (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?
22. What is the total number of FTE staff in Southern Highlands Regional Shooting Centre?
- (a) What is the total number of FTE staff?
 - (b) How many positions were advertised over the last 12 months?
 - (c) How many FTE positions are currently vacant?

Active Kids vouchers

23. How many applications for Active Kids vouchers were received in 2020?
- (a) How many applications were successful?
 - (b) What is the total value of vouchers approved?
 - (c) What is the total value of vouchers redeemed?
 - (d) How many applications were not successful?
 - (e) Why were the applications in (d) not successful?
 - (f) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the successful applicants in (a) by local government area?
 - (g) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (d) by local government area?
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- (g) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (d) by local government area?

Grants

25. How many applications to the NSW ATP Cup Tennis Legacy Fund were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?
26. How many applications to the NSW 2022 UCI Road World Championships Wollongong Legacy Partnership Program were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?
 - (b) Which organisations were invited to apply by the Office of Sport?
 - (c) Which organisations were invited to apply by the minister's office?
 - (d) Will the route for the championships be announced before the opening of round 3 of the grants?
 - (e) Does the Office of Sport consider equity across local government areas when it determines successful applications for the grant?
 - (f) Was there any difference between the Round 1 grants recommended by the Office of Sport and the grants approved by the Minister?
 - (g) Was there any difference between the Round 2 grants recommended by the Office of Sport and the grants approved by the Minister?
 - (h) Were applications for Round 1 assessed by the Office of Sport and ranked in order to be funded?
 - i. Were all of the highest ranked projects funded?
 - ii. What criteria were used to determine the ranking?
 - iii. If all of the highest ranked projects were not funded, why not?
 - (i) Were all assessments in Round 1 undertaken by the Office of Sport in accordance with NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines Paper TPP17-03 "NSW Government Guide to Cost-Benefit Analysis"?

- (j) Were applications for Round 2 assessed by the Office of Sport and ranked in order to be funded?
 - i. Were all of the highest ranked projects funded?
 - ii. What criteria were used to determine the ranking?
 - iii. If all of the highest ranked projects were not funded, why not?
 - (k) Were all assessments in Round 2 undertaken by the Office of Sport in accordance with NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines Paper TPP17-03 “NSW Government Guide to Cost-Benefit Analysis”?
27. How many applications to the Surf Club Facility Program were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?
 28. How many applications to the Her Sport Her Way were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?
 29. How many applications to the Regional Sport Facility Fund were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?
 30. How many applications to the Greater Cities Sport Facility Fund were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?
 31. How many applications to the 2019/2020 Local Sport Defibrillator Grant Program were not successful?
 - (a) What are the reasons for why they were not successful?

Community Sport Recovery Package 2020

32. What was the total expended?
 - (a) How many applications were received from State Sporting Organisations (SSOs), State Sporting Organisations for people with disabilities (SSODs), and Regional Academies of Sport?
 - (b) How many applications were successful?
 - (c) How many applications were not successful?
 - (d) Why were the applications in (c) not successful?
 - (e) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the successful applicants in (B)?
 - (f) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (C)?

Sport and Recreation Recovery and Community Rebuild Package 2021

33. What is the total expended to date?
- (a) How many applications were received from State Sporting Organisations (SSOs), State Sporting Organisations for people with disabilities (SSODs), and Regional Academies of Sport?
 - (b) How many applications were successful?
 - (c) How many applications were not successful?
 - (d) Why were the applications in (c) not successful?
 - (e) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the successful applicants in (b)?
 - (f) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (c)?
 - (g) What proportion of the \$7.8 million to support sporting organisations and peak bodies has been paid?
 - (h) What proportion of the \$1 million for grants to support marketing and promotional activities for outdoor and active recreation providers has been paid?

COVID-19 Financial assistance for sporting organisations in 2021

34. How many inquiries were received from grassroots organisations for COVID-19-related financial support each month in 2021?
35. What is the total value of COVID-19-related financial support each month in 2021 provided by the Office of Sport?

Sport development grants

36. How many applications were received in 2020?
- (a) How many applications were successful?
 - (b) How many applications were not successful?
 - (c) Why were the applications in (b) not successful?
 - (d) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the successful applicants in (a)?
 - (e) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (b)?

Business cases assessment

37. Other than applying Treasury guidelines, what other internal processes are adopted by the Office of Sport in relation to cost benefit analysis?

38. What is the process if an application is received by the Office of Sport for a project which it decides not to fund?
 - (a) Would applications usually be referred to other agencies for consideration?
39. Over the past twelve months how many projects were funded by the Office of Sport whose Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR) was less than 1?
40. Michael Toohey has said that he did not believe the grant to the Australian Clay Target Association in Wagga Wagga stacked up, and said it would have been “absolutely” relevant to know that the MP championing it was in a relationship with the then Treasurer. Have you conducted a review of the Office of Sport’s involvement in this process?
41. Michael Toohey said he couldn’t see how the ACTA grant wasn’t “anything but a conflict of interest” so what changes have you made as a result of his evidence?
42. Given responsibility for the ACTA project was passed from the Office of Sport to the Department of Regional NSW, what processes have been established to ensure that the Office of Sport’s assessment of projects is made known to other agencies when funding responsibility is transferred?
43. Do you agree Taxpayers expect the “distribution of public funds will be fair”?
44. Do you believe sports grants in the past have met taxpayers’ expectations that the “distribution of public funds will be fair”?
45. What actions have been taken within the Office of Sport to ensure the future distribution of public funds is fair?
46. Did the Premier consult you before he announced he had asked the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the Productivity Commissioner to review how grants should be administered and assessed?
47. What lessons have been learnt by the Office of Sport which you intend will be passed on to the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the Productivity Commissioner as part of their review?
48. How many business cases for projects were provided to the Office of Sport for assessment in 2019?
 - (a) How many business cases were assessed by the Office of Sport with a benefit: cost ratio of less than 1?

- (b) What were those projects?
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- (a) How many business cases were assessed by the Office of Sport with a benefit: cost ratio of less than 1?
 - (b) What were those projects?
50. How many business cases for projects were provided to the Office of Sport for assessment in 2021 to date?
- (a) How many business cases were assessed by the Office of Sport with a benefit: cost ratio of less than 1?
 - (b) What were those projects?

Benefit cost analyses

51. How many project proposals valued at over \$10 million were assessed by the Office of Sport in 2014?
- (a) How many of those were provided with funding from the NSW Government?
52. How many project proposals valued at over \$10 million were assessed by the Office of Sport in 2015?
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58. How many project proposals valued at over \$10 million were assessed by the Office of Sport in 2021 to date?
59. Were all assessments undertaken by the Office of Sport in the questions above undertaken in accordance with NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines Paper TPP17-03 “NSW Government Guide to Cost-Benefit Analysis”?
- (a) Which assessments were not?
- (b) Why not?

Stadium Australia

60. Did the NSW Government buy back ANZ Stadium for \$220 million in 2016?
61. What works are planned to maintain and upgrade the stadium?
62. Former Sports Minister Graham Annesley previously said “If we didn't invest in the former Olympic stadium by the time it came back to us in 2031, we would have been taking back an asset which was ready for the bulldozer.” What was the rationale of the buyback?
63. What plans does the Minister have for the future ownership of Stadium Australia?

Stadium

64. What is the status of the proposal to build Parramatta PCYC on the land immediately to the north of the stadium?

Sydney Olympic Park sports facilities

65. Since Sydney Olympic Park hosted a vaccination hub at Qudos Bank Arena until 7 November, when will all sports resume at Sydney Olympic Park?

Women’s participation in sport

66. Given the former Minister for Sport said in the Her Sport Her Way Year One Action Plan “A key feature of the Her Sport Her Way - Year One Action Plan is a strong focus on initiatives that reduce barriers to participation and promote inclusive sport experiences that reflect what women and girls want” what targets have been set to improve participation?

67. By how much has women's participation increased since the release of the Her Sport Her Way strategy?

68. Please itemise the \$162.3 million in initiatives to support women and girls in sport?

Stronger Country Communities Fund

69. Of the \$50 million for projects that enhance female sporting facilities and increase participation please provide an itemised list of the funded projects?

70. What involvement in the assessment and approval of the grants does the Office of Sport have?

Grants for public swimming pools

71. Since March 2011 please list the location in regional areas, name of grant stream and grant value for public swimming pools that were provided NSW Government grants?

72. Since March 2011 please list the location in metropolitan areas, name of grant stream and grant value for public swimming pools that were provided NSW Government grants?

Centres of excellence fund

73. What assistance will be provided to smaller NSW based sporting clubs and associations to prepare comprehensive applications to the fund?

74. What advertising or stakeholder engagement will be undertaken in languages other than English to ensure multicultural sporting clubs and associations are aware that applications are now open to the fund?

COVID-19 roadmap

75. In relation to your comment that "... reopen first and then for competition ... and we were very active with the Minister for Health to try to push for that to happen as quickly as possible", in what format was that advice provided to NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer?

(a) Was the advice accepted initially by NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer?

(b) Did NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer provide any health advice inconsistent with the advice from the Office of Sport?

(c) Was the advice discussed by Cabinet?

(d) Was the advice discussed by Crisis Cabinet?

76. In relation to your answer about the Office of Sport making representations to Health to seek the return of community sport at 70 per cent double dose vaccination that "... the answer is

emphatically yes”, in what format was that advice provided to NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer?

- (a) What justification was provided by the Office of Sport in relation to reopening at 70 per cent?
- (b) Did NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer provide any health advice inconsistent with the advice from the Office of Sport?

77. Will you table a copy of the letter and plan referred to during the hearing?

Gyms and dance classes

78. In relation to your comment regarding the reopening of gyms and dance classes “Again, those decisions are made by NSW Health on health advice. Certainly, while I am very keen, and I think the Premier is very keen, to see gyms reopened ... they were matters for the health officials to make those decisions ...” was any advice provided to NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer?

- (a) Was the advice accepted initially by NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer?
- (b) Did NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer provide any health advice inconsistent with the advice from the Office of Sport?
- (c) Was any letter or plan to enable the reopening of gyms and dance classes provided to NSW Health and/or the Minister for Health and Medical Research and/or Chief Health Officer?
- (d) Was the advice discussed by Cabinet?
- (e) Was the advice discussed by Crisis Cabinet?

National Redress Scheme

79. Please clarify which sporting organisations are required to sign up to the National Redress Scheme?

- (a) Which sporting organisations are yet to sign up?
- (b) For those that are yet to sign up what is the Office of Sport doing to encourage them to do so?

Sporting Venues Authorities Act 2008

80. In relation to the Sporting Venues Authority:

- (a) How many sporting grounds, sporting facilities and recreational facilities are managed?
- (b) How many sporting competitions were held at facilities in:
 - i. 2017-18?
 - ii. 2018-19?
 - iii. 2019-20?
 - iv. 2020-21?
- (c) How many community facilities are managed?
- (d) What commercial and retail activities and facilities are undertaken?

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 - iv. 2020-21?
- (c) How many community facilities are managed?
- (d) What commercial and retail activities and facilities are undertaken?
- (e) What subsidiaries have been established?

NSW Institute of Sport (NSWIS)

- 82. What sports currently have programs at NSWIS?
- 83. Is consideration being given to including other sport programs at NSWIS?
- 84. What plans are there to increase the proportion of athletes selected to the Australian Olympic team from NSWIS above 21.6%?
- 85. What plans are there to increase the proportion of athletes selected to the Australian Paralympic team from NSWIS above 24.6%?
- 86. What targets has NSWIS set in order to measure achievement towards the purpose (as set out the Corporate Plan) of supporting Australian athletes to become the world's best?
 - (a) What progress is being made to achieve that purpose?

87. What targets has NSWIS set in order to measure achievement towards the vision (as set out in the Corporate Plan) of more NSW athletes representing Australia and winning medals?
- (a) What progress is being made to achieve that vision?
88. What NSW based National Training Centres are currently supported by NSWIS?
89. In relation to performance networks and partnerships, what progress has been made to the following 2024 targets:
- (a) 25% of national team members at Olympic / Paralympic and Benchmark events (BMEs) are NSWIS (annually)
- (b) > 10 NSW based National Training Centres (NTC)/Hubs supported by NSWIS
- (c) number of NSWIS staff in national lead/NTC or national roles
90. In relation to world class daily training environments, what progress has been made to the following 2024 targets:
- (a) Number of medals / number of medallists at BMEs and Olympic and Paralympic Games (annually)
- (b) > 10 NSW based NTC/Hubs and satellite sites are supported by NSWIS
- (c) Number of NSWIS staff contributing to NTC, NSWIS Hubs and satellite site operations
- (d) > 5 FTE allocation of sport physician, physiotherapy and soft tissue therapists
- (e) > 90% of training and competition days are completed without medical interruption (within priority campaigns)
91. In relation to sport investment and sustainability, what progress has been made to the following 2024 targets:
- (a) Sustainable investment with our sport partners committed through sport program partnership agreements
- (b) Financial reserves of no less than \$1m are maintained to meet potential fluctuations in sport partner funding that occur during the Olympic/Paralympic cycle and to ensure flexibility for emerging performance related projects
- (c) NSW Government base funding maintained (CP Indexed) and key projects supported
- (d) Achievement of annual commercial strategy revenue targets

92. In relation to best practice with people and operations, what progress has been made to the following 2024 targets:
- (a) 75% or above performance team effectiveness rating across sport programs
 - (b) > 80% People Matter Survey engagement score
 - (c) > 70% People Matter Survey leadership score
 - (d) 3-4 data science led projects completed annually (informing strategic decision making)
 - (e) 85% of NSWIS sport programs achieving KPI's
 - (f) 70% of our coaches are actively involved in our coach development/ learning programs and initiatives
93. In relation to athletes and pathways, what progress has been made to the following 2024 targets:
- (a) Systems and processes developed to identify and track emerging talent in NSW
 - (b) NSWIS athletes progressing across scholarship categorisation
 - (c) Completion of 1-2 talent identification projects annually
94. In relation to engagement, communication and education, what progress has been made to the following 2024 targets:
- (a) Number of total NSWIS development days delivered by NSWIS (to staff and coaches)
 - (b) Continued growth against key digital strategy and media metrics
 - (c) Applied research projects are undertaken with NSWIS sports with a clearly identified athlete performance impact
 - (d) Performance against annual internal communications survey benchmarks

Institute of Sport Act 1995

95. How many elite training squad programs are currently provided by NSWIS?
96. How many programs for coaches are currently provided by NSWIS?
97. Which sport science, sport medicine, sports management, career, education and program support services are currently provided by NSWIS?
98. Which facilities are currently maintained by NSWIS?
99. In the past four years how many commercial or co-operative ventures relating to research into sport, including sports medicine and sports technology have been entered into by NSWIS?

100. How many scholarships are being provided by NSWIS?
101. What commercial operations have commenced in the last four years to raise money for NSWIS?
102. What commercial arrangements have been entered into by NSWIS for the training of sportspeople from another State or from a Territory or from any other country?
 - (a) Which other State, Territories or countries?
103. How many sports events did NSWIS conduct in:
 - (a) 2017-18?
 - (b) 2018-19?
 - (c) 2019-20?
 - (d) 2020-21?
104. On how many occasions have formal or informal directions under s16 of the Act been issued by the Minister in:
 - (a) 2017-18?
 - (b) 2018-19?
 - (c) 2019-20?
 - (d) 2020-21?

Australian Clay Target Association Grant

105. Was a Cost-Benefit Analysis assessment undertaken by the Office of Sport of a proposal for the Australian Clay Target Association for a project in Wagga Wagga?
106. Did the Office of Sport apply the NSW Treasury Policy and Guidelines Paper TPP17-03 “NSW Government Guide to Cost-Benefit Analysis”; or the superseded Treasury Policy and Guidelines Papers “NSW Government Guidelines for Economic Appraisal”(TPP07-5) and “Economic Appraisal – Principles and Procedures Simplified” (TPP07-6)?
107. Was the Office of Sport analysis consistent with the GHD analysis that scored the project 2.31?
108. Was the Office of Sport analysis consistent with the April 2017 Department of Industry analysis that scored the project 0.88?
109. Was the Office of Sport analysis consistent with the revised Department of Industry analysis which upgraded the score for the project to 1.1?
110. What score did the analysis of the Office of Sport find for the project?

Greater Cities Sport and Regional Sport Facility Fund

111. Other than requirements concerning location, are the eligibility criteria and fund guidelines the same for Greater cities facilities applications and Regional facilities applications?
- (a) If not, what are the differences?
112. Other than requirements concerning location, are the assessment processes the same for Greater cities facilities applications and Regional facilities applications?
- (a) If not, what are the differences?
113. How much grant funding is available for metropolitan projects?
114. How much grant funding is available for regional projects?

Cross Border Sport Fund

115. How many recipients of 2020 Cross Border Sport Fund grants also received 2020 Grassroots Sport Fund grants?
116. Are recipients of 2021 Cross Border Sport Fund grants also eligible for 2021 Grassroots Sport Fund grants?

Organisation Support Program grants

117. How many applications were received in 2019?
- (a) How many applications were successful?
- (b) How many applications were not successful?
- (c) Why were the applications in (b) not successful?
- (d) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the successful applicants in (a)?
- (e) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (b)?
- (f) What is the total amount of funding provided?
118. How many applications were received in 2020?
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 - (d) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the successful applicants in (a)?
 - (e) Please provide a spreadsheet listing the unsuccessful applicants in (b)?
 - (f) What is the total amount of funding provided?
120. What assessment has been undertaken about the appropriateness of the current levels of funding provided to State Sporting Organisations and State Sporting Organisations for people with Disability, Peak Bodies and identified organisations?

\$600,000 to support regional talent pathways in the lead up to the Brisbane 2032 Olympics

121. How will the \$600,000 be allocated for regional talent pathways?
122. Will similar funds be allocated for metropolitan talent pathways?
123. What targets are being set to measure the success of the \$600,000 to be allocated for regional talent pathways?

COVID-19 pandemic

124. During the 2021 COVID-19 stay-at-home orders, how many local government areas waived costs for sporting fields and facilities rental?
125. What discussions did the Office of Sport have with local government areas about waiving costs for sporting fields and facilities rental?
126. Was any funding provided to local government areas to assist in waiving costs for sporting fields and facilities rental?
127. What actions were taken by the Office of Sport to ensure the survival of community sporting clubs during the COVID-19 stay-at-home orders in LGAs of concern?
128. What actions were taken by the Office of Sport to ensure the survival of community sporting clubs in June-October 2021 in regional LGAs?

\$3.1 million to support participation initiatives focused on areas most affected by restrictions, including south-western Sydney and regional NSW

129. How will the \$3.1 million be allocated to support participation initiatives?

130. Will specific participation initiatives be targeted for funding?
131. What proportion of the \$3.1 million will be allocated to Fairfield LGA and Cumberland LGA in Western Sydney?
132. Will the funding for regional NSW be allocated only to those LGAs to which lockdowns applied?
133. Which organisations will be invited to apply for funding?
134. Will organisations which successfully apply for a grant to support participation initiatives also be able to apply for other grant streams which also encourage participation initiatives?
135. Will funding be provided through the Local Sport Grants program or will a new grant stream be established?
136. What targets are being set to measure the success of the \$3.1 million be allocated to support participation initiatives?

Working with Children Checks (WWCC)

137. Is the Office of Sport aware of how many paid employees and volunteers of sporting organisations are required to have WWCCs?
 - (a) How many employees and volunteers have WWCCs?
138. How many employees within the Sports portfolio are required to have WWCCs?
 - (a) How many employees have WWCCs?
139. Did the Office of Sport provide any advice for any submission to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse concerning recognition of interstate WWCCs?
140. Did the Office of Sport provide any advice for any submission to the Statutory Review of the Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012?

National standard for sport science

141. As a member of the National Institute Network, is the NSW Institute of Sport required to ensure all of its sports science staff are accredited by Exercise & Sports Science Australia ESSA?
 - (a) If so, how many NSWIS staff are required to be accredited?
 - (b) If so, how many and what percentage of NSWIS sports scientists, including biomechanists, performance analysts, physiologists, skill acquisition specialists and strength scientists are accredited with Exercise & Sports Science Australia?
 - (c) If so, how many and what percentage of NSWIS strength and conditioning coaches are accredited with the Australian Strength and Conditioning Association?

- (d) What is the system of compliance NSWIS uses to ensure that all its sports science staff and strength and conditioning coaches are accredited?
- (e) Will an audit be undertaken to confirm that NSWIS is in compliance with its obligations?

Veterans' Strategy

- 142. How long did the veterans' strategy take to complete?
- 143. How much did the veterans' strategy cost to complete?
- 144. How many employees from the Office of Veterans Affairs were involved with formulating the strategy?
- 145. In regards to the online focus groups:
 - (a) When was each focus group held?
 - (b) Where was each focus group held?
 - (c) How many people attended each focus group?
- 146. How many family members of veterans were surveyed as part of the veterans' strategy?
- 147. Will there be a review carried out in relation to the 57 actions that stemmed from the veterans' strategy?
 - (a) If so, when will that review take place?
 - (b) When will the results of that review be made public?

Veterans Employment Program

- 148. How many veterans were employed as part of the Veterans Employment Program in the following financial years?
 - (a) 2015/16
 - (b) 2016/17
 - (c) 2017/18
 - (d) 2018/19
 - (e) 2019/20
 - (f) 2020/21
- 149. How many of those veterans employed in 2015/16 are still employed in the public service?

- (a) How many of those veterans employed in 2016/17 are still employed in the public service?
- (b) How many of the veterans employed in 2017/18 are still employed in the public service?
- (c) How many of those veterans employed in 2018/19 are still employed in the public service?
- (d) How many of those veterans employed in 2019/20 are still employed in the public service?
- (e) How many of those veterans employed in 2020/21 are still employed in the public service?
- (f) How many veterans have been employed as part of the Veterans Employment Program so far in the 2021/22 financial year?

Veterans Education Program

150. How many veterans applied for round 1 of the 2019/20 Veterans Education Program?
- (a) How many were successful?
 - (b) What was the total amount in funding provided to successful applicants?
151. How many veterans applied for the Veterans Education Program in 2020/21?
- (a) How many were successful?
 - (b) What was the total amount of funding provided to successful applicants?

Office of Veterans Affairs

152. What is the number full time equivalent of employees in the Office of Veterans Affairs currently?
- (a) What was the number full time equivalent of the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2021?
 - (b) What was the number full time equivalent of the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2019?
 - (c) What was the number full time equivalent of the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2018?
 - (d) What was the number full time equivalent of the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2011?
153. How many actual employees are there currently in the Office of Veterans Affairs?
- (a) How many actual employees were there in the Office of Veterans Affairs were there on June 30 2021?
 - (b) How many actual employees were there in the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2020?
 - (c) How many actual employees were there in the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2019?

- (d) How many actual employees were there in the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2018?
- (e) How many actual employees were there in the Office of Veterans Affairs on June 30 2011?

154. What is the budget for the Office of Veterans Affairs in 2021/22?

- (a) What was the budget for the Office of Veterans Affairs in 2020/21?
- (b) What was the budget for the Office of Veterans Affairs in 2019/20?
- (c) What was the budget for the Office of Veterans Affairs in 2018/19?
- (d) What was the budget for the Office of Veterans Affairs in 2011/12?

Seniors Social Isolation Grants

155. In 2021, the NSW Government awarded \$600,000 in funding for projects to reduce social isolation for seniors. What was the financial amount each of the following organisations awarded for the following initiatives under the “Reducing Social Isolation for Seniors” Grant Program?

- (a) CaLD Men Connected operated by 3Bridges Community?
- (b) Living Older Visibly Engaged (LOVE) Club for LGBTQ+ Seniors Goes Regional operated by ACON?
- (c) Inviting Our Disadvantaged Seniors to Start Living and Be Included operated by Australian Foundation for Disability?
- (d) Creating Connections operated by Bathurst Regional Council?
- (e) Words and Music: A Seniors Social operated by Bega Valley Shire Council?
- (f) The Golden Oldies Program operated by Bridge Housing?
- (g) Your Vintage Film Club operated by Clarence Valley Council (Clarence Regional Library)?
- (h) DanceWell - Community Dance Classes for Seniors operated by Dance Health Alliance?
- (i) Beat-It In-Language operated by Diabetes NSW & ACT?
- (j) Graceades Indigenous Oldies operated by Graceades Community Cottage?
- (k) Rhythm is Life: Together We Move, Together We Connect operated by Heartdancers?
- (l) Sconeversations operated by Holbrook & Walla Walla Meals & Social Support Services?
- (m) Seniors Connect Coffee and Wellness Club operated by Kingsgrove Community Aid Centre?

- (n) Age Well, Live Well - Social Support Clubs for Link Housing Residents operated by Link Wentworth Housing?
- (o) Lismore Library Activity Hub operated by Lismore City Council (Lismore City Library)?
- (p) Tovertafel 'Magic Table', Bringing People Together operated by Lithgow City Council?
- (q) Seniors on Tour operated by Liverpool City Council?
- (r) Let's Get Together operated by Melkite Catholic Welfare Association?
- (s) Active Senior Empowerment (ASE) operated by Mission Australia Housing?
- (t) Connecting Across Country - Elders Gatherings operated by Mudyala Aboriginal Corporation?
- (u) Hungry for more operated by NovaCare Community Services?
- (v) D Caf Ryde operated by Rotary Club of Ryde?
- (w) Senior Organic Gardening Team operated by SCRAP (School Communities Recycling All Paper) Ltd?
- (x) Connection for Carers operated by Stride Mental Health Services?
- (y) Wagga Women's Shed Garden operated by The Wagga Wagga Women's Shed?
- (z) Reducing Social Isolation For Male Carers From CaLD Backgrounds operated by Wesley Community Services Ltd (Wesley Mission)?