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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Tuesday, 5 October 2010

Racing: hold harmless clause

2767(ab). Mr WAKELING to ask the Minister for Racing with reference to the inclusion of ‘hold harmless clauses’, which provide full indemnity for the Government or its departments for all loss and damage, regardless of whether the Government or department has contributed to the loss or damage, in temporary employment service procurement contracts:

- (1) Do any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses; if so, which departments or agencies.
- (2) If any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses, what is the policy that supports this inclusion.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Racing Portfolio, and its associated agencies, do not require or recommend the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in temporary employment service procurement contracts.

For temporary employees engaged by the Department using employment panel agencies, the whole of Government contract terms and conditions apply.

There is no requirement or recommendation for the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in the temporary employment service procurement contracts of the Department or its agencies.

Where companies or individuals are engaged by the State, under standard professional services contracts (i.e. not as employees), an indemnification to the State is a standard requirement in those circumstances, as is usual commercial practice.

Attorney-General: hold harmless clause

2767(e). Mr WAKELING to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the inclusion of ‘hold harmless clauses’, which provide full indemnity for the Government or its departments for all loss and damage, regardless of whether the Government or department has contributed to the loss or damage, in temporary employment service procurement contracts:

- (1) Do any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses; if so, which departments or agencies.
- (2) If any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses, what is the policy that supports this inclusion.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Department of Justice, and its associated agencies, do not require or recommend the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in temporary employment service procurement contracts.

For temporary employees engaged by the Department using employment panel agencies, the whole of Government contract terms and conditions apply.

There is no requirement or recommendation for the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in the temporary employment service procurement contracts of the Department or its agencies.

Where companies or individuals are engaged by the State, under standard professional services contracts (i.e. not as employees), an indemnification to the State is a standard requirement in those circumstances, as is usual commercial practice.

Health: magnetic resonance imaging

2849. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Health —

- (1) How many public MRI machines are operational in Melbourne.
- (2) What is the average waiting time for MRI scans to be taken.
- (3) Are there any plans to expand the number of public MRI machines in Victoria; if so, what are they.
- (4) How many private MRI machines are currently operating in Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

As of 1 January 2010, there are 22 MBS-licensed MRI machines operational in Melbourne.

Data relating to the average waiting time for MRI scans to be taken is not collected.

As of 1 January 2010, there are 8 private MBS-rebatable MRI licences in Victoria.

Agriculture: locust control

2896. Mr WALSH to ask the Minister for Agriculture excluding money provided to the Australian Plague Locust Commission, how much money has the Government given to the Department of Primary Industries in 2010 to undertake locust control activities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that/as follows:

As at the time this question was raised, the Victorian Government had allocated the equivalent of approximately 15 staff as part of its response to plague locusts. This included part-time Department of Primary Industries (DPI) personnel to undertake the role of the Victorian Plague Locust Commissioner; a senior DPI policy officer, a senior DPI project officer and a communications officer for the 2009–10 season. This also included, approximately 13 DPI staff in regional locations who undertook monitoring activities to locate and map locust egg beds and identify where laying activities were occurring.

In addition to these staff, during the 2009–10 season, approximately \$70 000 was allocated to undertake monitoring and communication activities. An additional \$72 000 was also internally reprioritised toward locust control activities.

Subsequently and in response to the threat of locusts in Spring 2010, in June 2010 an additional \$43.5 million was allocated by Treasury to DPI to supplement DPI resources to help combat locusts. This includes \$21 million for an insecticide rebate scheme, \$4.45 million for purchase of locust insecticides for use on public land and up to \$850 000 to assist councils treat locusts on council reserves and roadsides.

Public transport: myki ticketing system

2915. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport why is it not possible to put cash credits on a myki card at the MetShop at the Melbourne Town Hall.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

Commuters can currently top up myki at more than 300 myki machines at train stations across the metropolitan rail network, at selected tram and bus stops, at myki.com.au or by calling 13 6954 (13 myki).

The rollout of myki across Melbourne continues in stages. Since Sunday 25 July 2010, commuters have been able to purchase myki cards at the MetShop. Top-ups will become available at the MetShop in future stages of the rollout.

Water: Yarra River — environmental flows

3058. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water for each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Yarra River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Yarra River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Yarra system includes:
 - An Environmental Entitlement to 27 billion litres, of which 17 billion litres are held in storage and 10 billion litres are provided as passing flows from unregulated tributaries.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Yarra River.
 - Above cap flows.
- Between 2007 and 2010, rights to water have been temporarily qualified in the Yarra system to assist in maintaining critical supplies to Melbourne.
 - In March 2007, 27 billion litres of the Yarra Environmental Entitlement was retained.
 - Passing flows were further qualified in October 2007 to provide up to an additional 10 billion litres per year.
 - A total of 17 billion litres of this environmental water has already been returned to the Yarra system in 2010.
- Information on current qualifications of rights is available on the website <http://www.waterregister.vic.gov.au/Public/Reports/BulkEntitlements.aspx>.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Yarra Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	386 900	153 100	40%
2006–07	388 200	136 100	35%
2005–06	589 800	253 400	43%

Water: Thomson River — environmental flows

3059. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Thomson River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Thomson River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Thomson system includes:
 - An Environmental Bulk Entitlement to 10 billion litres held in storage.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Thomson River.
 - Above cap flows.
- Between 2007 and 2010, rights to water have been temporarily qualified in the Thomson River system to assist in maintaining critical supplies to Melbourne:
 - In 2007, a temporary qualification of rights retained up to 10 billion litres of the Thomson River Environmental Bulk Entitlement.
 - In September 2009, a temporary qualification of rights reduced passing flows to retain up to an additional 10 billion litres.
 - In 2010, 20 billion litres was returned to the system.
- Information on current qualifications of rights is available on the website <http://www.waterregister.vic.gov.au/Public/Reports/BulkEntitlements.aspx>.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Thomson Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	1 188 000	727 000	61%
2006–07	665 200	299 200	45%
2005–06	498 700	216 700	43%

Water: Murray River — environmental flows

3060. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Murray River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Murray River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Murray system includes:
 - An Environmental Bulk Entitlement to 27.6 billion litres of water held in storage for release to achieve specific environmental objectives such as providing water to wetlands in northern Victoria.
 - Environmental Bulk Entitlements to approximately 140 billion litres of water held in storage to meet Victoria’s Living Murray commitments.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Murray River.
 - An allocation of up to 91.3 billion litres of water per year as an operational rule embedded in consumptive entitlements to meet Lindsay River dilution flow.
 - An allocation of up to 50 billion litres high reliability and 25 billion litres low reliability per year set aside for Barmah-Millewa forest as an obligation on Goulburn Murray Waters Bulk Entitlement, which accumulates in an account for large scale watering.
 - Above cap flows.
- No environmental entitlements were qualified or retained for other purposes, and passing flows were provided in accordance with the Murray Darling Basin Agreement.
- The volume of water that leaves Victoria is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the Victorian part of the Murray System.
- Water leaving the Murray Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water leaving the Basin to South Australia (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	1 632 800	404 500	25%
2006–07	1 140 900	807 900	71%
2005–06	4 394 300	1 471 000	33%

Water: Ovens River — environmental flows

3061. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Ovens River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Ovens River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.

- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Ovens system includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Ovens River.
 - Above cap flows.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Ovens Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	589 700	525 900	89%
2006–07	190 400	119 400	63%
2005–06	1 423 800	1 378 000	97%

Water: Goulburn River — environmental flows

3062. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Goulburn River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Goulburn River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Goulburn system includes:
 - An Environmental Entitlement to 141 billion litres of low reliability water held in storage for release as part of Victoria’s commitment to the Living Murray.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Goulburn River and its unregulated tributaries.
 - Above cap water.
- No environmental entitlements were qualified or retained for other purposes. Passing flows continued to be provided, but were reduced by a qualification of rights in 2005.
- Under the terms of the qualification, the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority can call for releases to meet critical environmental requirements.
- Information on current qualifications of rights is available on the website <http://www.waterregister.vic.gov.au/Public/Reports/BulkEntitlements.aspx>.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Goulburn basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below. In the Goulburn system, water leaving the basin includes irrigation transfers in addition to passing flows.

Year	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)			
	Inflows (ML)	Outflow to Murray River	Outflow to Murray River via Broken Creek	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	1 241 100	204 900	25 300	19%
2006–07	753 300	145 700	19 800	22%
2005–06	1 834 400	471 300	5800	26%

Water: Campaspe River — environmental flows

3063. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Campaspe River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Campaspe River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Campaspe system includes:
 - An Environmental Entitlement to five million litres of water held in storage and released to meet Victoria’s commitment to the Living Murray.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Campaspe River and its unregulated tributaries.
 - Above cap flows.
- Passing flows continued to be provided but were reduced by a qualification of rights in 2005. Under the terms of the qualification, the North Central Catchment Management Authority can call for releases to meet critical environmental requirements.
- Information on current qualifications of rights is available on the website <http://www.waterregister.vic.gov.au/Public/Reports/BulkEntitlements.aspx>.
- Consumptive water—that would normally be delivered from Goulburn Basin to the Murray—was redirected via the West Waranga Channel and released into the lower Campaspe River for drought refuge and to improve water quality before entering the Murray.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Campaspe Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Inflow from Goulburn River	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	93 400	2400	11 700	12%
2006–07	34 500	0	4300	12%
2005–06	80 900	2000	8500	10%

Water: Loddon River — environmental flows

3064. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Loddon River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Loddon River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Loddon system is comprised of an environmental (bulk) entitlement to:
 - Two billion litres of high reliability entitlement and 2.1 billion litres of low reliability entitlement, which are held in storages for release.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites along the Loddon River.
 - Above cap flows.
- The Loddon system has been qualified since 2006, reducing some passing flow requirements in order to supply critical human needs.
- Under the terms of the qualification, the North Central Catchment Management Authority can deliver up to 600 million litres a year from water set aside in the Loddon System Withheld Flows Account to maintain drought refuges at priority wetlands.
- Information on current qualifications of rights is available on the website <http://www.waterregister.vic.gov.au/Public/Reports/BulkEntitlements.aspx>.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Loddon Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the environment
2007–08	57 900	3300	6%
2006–07	39 900	1500	4%
2005–06	124 000	2600	2%

Water: Mallee Basin — environmental flows

3065. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Mallee Basin in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Mallee Basin receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- The environmental flows available to the Mallee Basin are identical to those available to the River Murray. Information on environmental flows available in the Murray River is provided below.

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Murray system includes:
 - An Environmental Bulk Entitlement to 27.6 billion litres of water held in storage for release to achieve specific environmental objectives such as providing water to wetlands in northern Victoria.
 - Environmental Bulk Entitlements to approximately 140 billion litres of water held in storage to meet Victoria’s Living Murray commitments.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Murray River.
 - An allocation of up to 91.3 billion litres of water per year as an operational rule embedded in consumptive entitlements to meet Lindsay River dilution flow.
 - An allocation of up to 50 billion litres high reliability and 25 billion litres low reliability per year set aside for Barmah-Millewa forest as an obligation on Goulburn Murray Waters Bulk Entitlement, which accumulates in an account for large scale watering.
 - Above cap flows.
- No environmental entitlements were qualified or retained for other purposes, and passing flows continue to be provided in accordance with the Murray Darling Basin Agreement.
- The volume of water that leaves Victoria is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the Victorian part of the Murray System.
- Water leaving the Murray Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water leaving the Basin to South Australia (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	1 632 800	404 500	25%
2006–07	1 140 900	807 900	71%
2005–06	4 394 300	1 471 000	33%

Water: Snowy River — environmental flows

3066. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Snowy River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Snowy River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Snowy system consists of:
 - Environmental Entitlements to 23.5 billion litres of water (Victorian water only) held in storage for release to the Snowy River (as at 30 June 2008).
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Snowy River.

- Above cap flows.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Snowy River since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows NSW catchments (ML)*	Inflows Vic catchments (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	221 300	672 600	888 100	99%
2006–07	212 500	568 300	774 900	99%
2005–06	234 700	843 600	1 072 200	99%

* Inflows from NSW recorded on the Snowy River exclude water diverted to the Murray system (this information is only available from NSW).

Water: Mitchell River — environmental flows

3067. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Mitchell River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Mitchell River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Mitchell Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- On 7 December 2006, the Minister for Water temporarily qualified rights to water and reduced passing flows in the Mitchell River for 30 days to maintain critical water supplies for Bairnsdale.
- Water leaving the Mitchell Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	609 500	590 700	97%
2006–07	353 800	335 700	95%
2005–06	675 700	656 600	97%

Water: Wimmera River — environmental flows

3068. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Wimmera River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Wimmera River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve available to the Wimmera system includes:
 - An Environmental Bulk Entitlement for 40.56 billion litres of water held in storage for release, created in 2004; and 34.7 billion litres of rules-based water from the environment’s 83 billion litre share of savings from the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline Project was created in 2009, to be used to achieve specific environmental objectives. Note that this entitlement is shared between the Wimmera and Glenelg systems. Note also that environmental entitlements to the environment’s remaining share of its 83 billion litres in water savings from the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline are currently being finalised.
 - Above cap flows.
- To assist in meeting critical human needs, environmental flows have been reduced in the Wimmera system between 2006 and 2008:
 - From October 2006 to June 2007, the annual volume available under the entitlement was withheld in response to a Ministerial Direction.
 - From January to October 2008, the annual volume available under the entitlement was temporarily qualified.
- The volume of water that reaches the terminal lakes is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water reaching the Wimmera Basin terminal lakes since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	25 700	100	<1%
2006–07	62 400	100	<1%
2005–06	109 600	10 600	9.6%

Water: Latrobe River — environmental flows

3069. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Latrobe River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Latrobe River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.

- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Latrobe system includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Latrobe River and its unregulated tributaries.
 - Above cap flows
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Latrobe Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below. These are outflows from the Latrobe system to Gippsland Lakes, and do not include Thomson River flows.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	575 200	426 700	74%
2006–07	306 500	194 000	63%
2005–06	507 800	400 800	79%

Water: South Gippsland Basin — environmental flows

3070. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the South Gippsland Basin in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the South Gippsland Basin receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the South Gippsland Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- Between 2006 and 2010, there have been several instances where rights to water have been temporarily qualified in order to maintain critical water supplies to towns. These are as follows:
 - Between October 2006 and June 2010, passing flows were reduced in the Tarwin River system to maintain water supplies for Leongatha and Korumburra.
 - Between July and October 2007, passing flows were reduced in the Powlett River system to maintain water supplies for Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Patterson.
 - Between June 2008 and November 2009, passing flows were reduced in the Powlett River system to maintain water supplies for Wonthaggi.
 - Between March and August 2007, passing flows were reduced in the Toora system to maintain water supplies for Toora, Welshpool and Port Welshpool.
 - Between October 2006 and September 2007, passing flows were reduced in Westernport supply system and Bass River to maintain water supplies for Westernport townships.

- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the South Gippsland Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	538 300	494 700	92%
2006–07	191 100	147 200	77%
2005–06	632 600	589 100	93%

Water: Bass River — environmental flows

3071. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Bass River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Bass River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- The Bass River is located in the South Gippsland Basin. Information on the environmental water reserve is reported at the basin level and not for individual rivers, such as the Bass River. Information on environmental flows for the South Gippsland basin is provided below.
- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the South Gippsland Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- Between 2006 and 2010, there have been several instances where rights to water have been temporarily qualified in order to maintain critical water supplies to towns. These are as follows:
 - Between October 2006 and June 2010, passing flows were reduced in the Tarwin River system to maintain water supplies for Leongatha and Korumburra.
 - Between July and October 2007, passing flows were reduced in the Powlett River system to maintain water supplies for Wonthaggi, Inverloch and Cape Patterson.
 - Between June 2008 and November 2009, passing flows were reduced in the Powlett River system to maintain water supplies for Wonthaggi.
 - Between March and August 2007, passing flows were reduced in the Toora system to maintain water supplies for Toora, Welshpool and Port Welshpool.
 - Between October 2006 and September 2007, passing flows were reduced in Westernport supply system and Bass River to maintain water supplies for Westernport.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the South Gippsland Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	538 300	494 700	92%
2006–07	191 100	147 200	77%
2005–06	632 600	589 100	93%

Water: East Gippsland Basin — environmental flows

3072. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the East Gippsland Basin in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the East Gippsland Basin receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the East Gippsland Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the East Gippsland Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below:

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	466 700	464 900	99.6%
2006–07	788 600	786 900	99.8%
2005–06	508 600	506 900	99.7%

Water: Maribyrnong River — environmental flows

3073. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Maribyrnong River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Maribyrnong River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.

- The environmental water reserve in the Maribyrnong Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- Between December 2008 and June 2010, passing flows in the Maribyrnong River were reduced by a temporary qualification of rights to maintain emergency backup supplies for Gisborne, Riddells Creek and Sunbury.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Maribyrnong Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	25 900	11 000	42%
2006–07	19 600	4600	23%
2005–06	30 400	16 000	53%

Water: Barwon River — environmental flows

3074. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Barwon River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Barwon River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Barwon Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Barwon Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	182 300	112 300	62%
2006–07	83 400	31 700	38%
2005–06	142 000	81 000	57%

Water: Corangamite River — environmental flows

3075. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Corangamite River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Corangamite River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that there is no river called the Corangamite River. Information has been provided below on environmental flows in the Corangamite Basin.

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Corangamite Basin comprises above cap flows.
- The volume of water that reaches the terminal lakes is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water reaching the Corangamite Basin terminal lakes since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	61 400	43 900	71%
2006–07	11 700	2300	20%
2005–06	71 000	53 300	75%

Water: Corangamite Basin — environmental flows

3076. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Corangamite Basin in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Corangamite Basin receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve in the Corangamite Basin comprises above cap flows.
- The volume of water that reaches the terminal lakes is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water reaching the Corangamite Basin terminal lakes since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	61 400	43 900	71%
2006–07	11 700	2300	20%
2005–06	71 000	53 300	75%

Water: Moorabool River — environmental flows

3077. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Moorabool River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Moorabool River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.
- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The Moorabool River is located in the Moorabool Basin. Information on the environmental water reserve is reported for the entire basin and not for individual rivers such as the Moorabool River.
- The environmental water reserve in the Moorabool Basin includes:
 - Passing flow requirements flows at key sites in the basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- In 2008–09 and 2009–10, releases of 400 ML and 240 ML respectively were provided from Lal Lal Reservoir for river health purposes.
- Between July 2007 and January 2010 rights to water were temporarily qualified. Passing flows were ceased below Lal Lal and White Swan reservoirs to maintain critical water supplies for Ballarat.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Moorabool Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.
- Outflows in this basin are low due to the temporary qualification of rights to maintain critical water supplies for Ballarat.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	39 200	400	1%
2006–07	25 100	500	2%
2005–06	47 900	1800	4%

Water: Glenelg River — environmental flows

3078. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water — For each of the years 2006 to 2010:

- (1) How much water was allocated to the Glenelg River in environmental flows.
- (2) How much water did the Glenelg River receive in environmental flows.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- Environmental flow data for 2008–09 is currently being finalised for release later this year. The 2009–10 water year has only just finished and data is still being collected to prepare the accounts.

- Information on environmental flows in 2005–06, 2006–07 and 2007–08 is available in the annual Victorian Water Accounts on the Our Water, Our Future website www.ourwater.vic.gov.au/monitoring.
- The environmental water reserve available to the Glenelg River includes:
 - An Environmental Bulk Entitlement to 40.56 billion litres of water held in storage for release, created in 2004; and 34.7 billion litres of rules-based water from the environment’s 83 billion litre share of savings from the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline Project was created in 2009 to be used to achieve specific environmental objectives. Note that this entitlement is shared between the Wimmera and Glenelg systems. Note also that environmental entitlements to the environment’s remaining share of its 83 billion litres in water savings from the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline are currently being finalised.
 - Passing flow requirements at key sites in the Glenelg Basin.
 - Above cap flows.
- To assist in meeting critical human needs, environmental flows have been reduced in the Wimmera system between 2006 and 2008:
 - From October 2006 to June 2007, the annual volume available under the entitlement was withheld in response to a Ministerial Direction.
 - From January to October 2008, the annual volume available under the entitlement was temporarily qualified.
- The volume of water that leaves a river basin is a key measure of the total environmental flow passing through the system.
- Water leaving the Glenelg Basin since 1 July 2005 is set out in the table below.

Year	Inflows (ML)	Water Leaving the Basin (ML)	Flow to the Environment
2007–08	308 100	189 900	62%
2006–07	140 200	42 200	30%
2005–06	140 700	51 400	37%

Environment and climate change: Environment Protection Authority — staff

3114. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change — By classification, how many Environment Protection Authority full-time equivalent staff are based:

- (1) At the head office.
- (2) Elsewhere.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of EPA Victoria staff at 17 August 2010 is:

EPA Victoria—FTE by Location	
Head Office	Elsewhere
280.5	117

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3125. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to traffic offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington in May 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected.
- (2) How many red light camera offences were detected.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In May 2010, there were no speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In May 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

(All lanes were non-operational for speed and red light detection during May 2010 due to scheduled roadworks.)

Consumer affairs: liquor accords

3129. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Consumer Affairs are there any plans to make Liquor Accords binding.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Liquor Accords are essentially voluntary agreements or arrangements reached between local stakeholders (in most cases local police, licensees and local councils) with a commitment to improving safety and amenity and reducing alcohol-related violence and antisocial behaviour in their community.

Accords are voluntary, however, licensees who nominate to become a member of an accord must demonstrate adherence to the criteria in the accord guidelines. Accords contain a number of management criteria for participating venues to follow, usually focused on safety, security, service and responsibility.

The high number of participants in voluntarily Licensing Accords and Forums demonstrates the success of the program and the willingness of licensees, police, local councils and other stakeholders to take a unified stance on alcohol consumption, and to reduce alcohol-related harm in and around licensed premises. It is therefore not considered necessary to make accords binding at this time.

Health: hospice care — Mildura

3133. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Health —

- (1) Where is the nearest hospice care facility for residents of Mildura.
- (2) What plans does the Minister have to provide hospice care to Mildura.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The government provides palliative care (or hospice) services for the people of Mildura in a number of ways.

Two palliative care beds are funded at Mildura Base Hospital. The government provided \$308 736 for this purpose in 2009–10. These beds are used to provide care to patients who require complex symptom and pain management or end-of-life care.

In addition, residents of Mildura can also receive community palliative care at home. The government provided \$499 950 to the Sunraysia Community Health Service for this purpose in 2009–10.

Community palliative care can include nursing care, allied health, respite and practical support as well as information, equipment, medications and access to medical review and assessment in people's homes. Advice and assistance is available on request after hours and on weekends.

A nurse-led Specialist Palliative Care Clinic also operates in Mildura. As part of this clinic, the government funds a palliative care specialist from the Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre to provide medical consultancy services.

As part of the 2010–11 State Budget, an additional \$400,000 has been allocated to establish a new palliative care consultancy team in the Loddon Mallee region. This team, which will include medical and nursing staff, will provide expert palliative care consultancy and advice across Loddon Mallee region, including Mildura.

Mental health: unscheduled departures

3139. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — Barwon-south western region

3140. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Barwon South West Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — Grampians region

3141. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Grampians Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.

- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — Loddon Mallee region

3142. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Loddon Mallee Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — eastern metropolitan region

3143. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Eastern Metropolitan Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — southern metropolitan region

3144. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Southern Metropolitan Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — north and west metropolitan region

3145. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the North and West Metropolitan Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — Gippsland region

3146. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Gippsland Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Mental health: unscheduled departures — Hume region

3147. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health for each year from 2007 to date, how many people in the Hume Region with a diagnosed mental illness made unscheduled departures from:

- (1) Inpatient mental health facilities.
- (2) Adult mental health facilities.
- (3) Aged care facilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department does not collect data on unscheduled departures.

Environment and climate change: Sandringham beach

3156. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change —

- (1) What are the Government's plans in relation to the re-establishment of a walkway down to the beach near the former Red Bluff Hotel car park.
- (2) When will the cliff face protection works at Sandringham Beach be completed.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Bayside City Council as the committee of management is responsible for the re-establishment of a walkway down to the beach near the former Red Bluff Hotel car park. Council has informed the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) that the alignment of the access path has been chosen and an application for a Planning Permit and vegetation removal has been submitted. Following the approvals process, the works will be tendered and construction is scheduled for completion by December 2010.

DSE has completed the cliff protection works and Sandringham Beach was reopened to the community in July 2009.

The works costing \$1.4M, included:

- A new rock groyne to stabilise the sand;
- 20 000m³ of sand renourishment to protect the cliffs from further wave attack; and
- Cliff rehabilitation works including revegetation to make the area safe for public use.

Since the groyne and the new beach were constructed, the unstable cliffs at Royal Avenue have not suffered from further erosion and are naturally achieving a safer slope. This is an indication that the works are protecting the cliffs as intended.

To determine the long term effectiveness of the renourishment project, DSE has contracted coastal engineers to undertake a two-year sand monitoring program to assess the stability of the sand and assist with future management options for Sandringham Beach.

Consumer affairs: container deposits

3157. **Mr CRISP** to ask the Minister for Consumer Affairs does the South Australian container deposit apply to containers sold in Victoria if supplied from South Australia; if so, how can Mildura residents recover the deposit.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The South Australian container deposit scheme only applies to containers sold in South Australia.

The scheme is legislated under the Environment Protection Act 1993 and is administered by the South Australian Environment Protection Authority (EPA SA). The EPA SA advises that labels must read as either:

- “10c refund at collection depots when sold in SA”
- “10c refund at point of sale when sold in SA”

It is an offence under section 69C of the Act to claim a refund on containers purchased outside of the State.

Education: Mildura college lease

3158. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Education are the water entitlements used on Mildura College Lease land owned by the occupiers; if so, is there any impediment to the sale of the permanent entitlement.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

On rural blocks, providing the tenant is not in arrears, the tenant is entitled to use, sell or a combination of both, the yearly water allocation.

As owner of the land, the permanent water entitlement for Mildura College Lease land belongs to the Minister and cannot be sold.

Roads and ports: unregistered vehicles

3159. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports with reference to fines for driving a vehicle with unpaid registration:

- (1) How many motorists were fined between in 2009–10.
- (2) Is there a tolerance discretion applied in the imposition of a fine covering clerical error or minor delay in registration details.
- (3) Is there any discretion able to be applied to cover circumstances such as the transfer from a novated lease agreement to a private ownership at a new address combined with an absence from principal place of residence.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

(1) For the 2009–10 financial year, there were 59 648 infringements issued for the use of unregistered vehicles.

(2) & (3)

Tolerance or discretion may be applied where acceptable supporting evidence is provided:

- of a clerical error or a registration processing delay for which the operator is not responsible;
- where it is evident that the driver/operator has endeavoured to do the lawful thing or could not reasonably have known that the vehicle was unregistered; and
- where other extenuating circumstances exist, having regard to the length of time that the vehicle has been unregistered.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Bay Road, Cheltenham — red-light camera

3162. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what repairs or modifications were made to the red light camera/sensor/operating equipment monitoring right-hand turns from the Nepean Highway into Bay Road during 2008, 2009 and between 1 January 2010 and 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No repairs or modifications were made to the red light camera/sensor/operating equipment monitoring the right hand turn from Nepean Highway into Bay Road during 2008, 2009 and between 1 January 2010 and 30 June 2010.

However, in December 2009 a vehicle collided with the camera pole causing the camera to face the wrong direction. The site was deactivated until the camera realignment and remapping was completed. The site was re-activated in January 2010.

Regular certification and servicing was conducted annually in May 2008, May 2009 and May 2010.

Housing: social housing — eastern metropolitan region

3164. Mrs FYFFE to ask the Minister for Housing how many one-bedroom social housing units are there in the Eastern Metropolitan Region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that this information is provided in the *Summary of Housing Assistance Programs*, available at www.housing.vic.gov.au

Police and emergency services: Country Fire Authority — fire station doors

3166. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what is the maintenance schedule in northern Victoria for doors that allow emergency vehicles to enter and exit CFA fire stations.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The maintenance schedule in Northern Victoria for doors that allow emergency vehicles to enter and exit CFA fire stations is:

- Station types 1C, 2A, 2B and integrated 3B which have the most call-outs — once every 12 months.
- Station type 1B with not many call-outs — bi-annually.
- Station type 1A with few call-outs — every three years.

Education: Victorian certificate of education — music examinations

3167. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Education with reference to students in the Mildura area who are required to travel to Melbourne to undertake VCE music examinations:

- (1) What measures are being taken to have all VCE music assessments undertaken in Mildura.
- (2) What assistance is available to students to travel to Melbourne to undertake their music assessments.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The Victorian Curriculum Assessment Authority requires VCE music students to have their assessments conducted in Melbourne. Students are made aware of this requirement on enrolment.

Mildura Senior College has supported students financially with grants as needed over many years. These grants subsidise travel and pay for the provision of accompaniment in Melbourne if required.

Public transport: bus service review

3168. Mr HODGETT to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport how much was paid to Booz & Company to undertake the Knox/Maroondah/Yarra Ranges Metropolitan Bus Service Review.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The awarding of the Knox/Maroondah/Yarra Ranges Bus Service Review followed a public tender. Booz and Company was engaged to conduct the Knox/Maroondah/ Yarra Ranges Bus Service Review as well as the Bayside/Kingston and the Boroondara/Glen Eira/Stonnington Bus Service Reviews. As Booz and Company was engaged to conduct the three reviews, it is not possible to separate the amount for conducting the Knox/Maroondah/Yarra Ranges Bus Service Review alone.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Bay Road, Cheltenham — red-light camera

3169. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services how many fines were imposed by red light cameras monitoring right-hand turns at the intersection of the Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham during June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Fines for right hand turns against the red light traffic signal, (red light infringements) monitored by the road safety camera at the intersection of Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham for the month of June 2010 (by infringement notice issue date) is 327.

Community services: disability support register

3171. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3172. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Barwon South West Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3173. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Loddon Mallee Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3174. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Hume Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3175. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the North and West Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3176. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Eastern Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3177. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Southern Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3178. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Gippsland Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3179. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Grampians Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register

3180. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.

- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3181. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Barwon South West Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3182. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Loddon Mallee Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3183. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Hume Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.

- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3184. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the North and West Metropolitan Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3185. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Eastern Metropolitan Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3186. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Southern Metropolitan Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.

- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3187. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Gippsland Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3188. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at December 2009, how many people in the Grampians Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum.

Community services: disability support register

3189. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3190. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Barwon South West Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3191. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Loddon Mallee Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3192. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Hume Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3193. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the North and West Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3194. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Eastern Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.

- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3195. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Southern Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3196. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Gippsland Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3197. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Grampians Region on the Disability Support Register waiting for Disability Services Supported Accommodation Options were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register

3198. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3199. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Barwon South West Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3200. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Loddon Mallee Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3201. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Hume Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3202. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the North and West Metropolitan Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3203. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Eastern Metropolitan Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3204. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Southern Metropolitan Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3205. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Gippsland Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3206. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services at June 2010, how many people in the Grampians Region waiting on the Disability Support Register were:

- (1) Under 18 years old.
- (2) 18 to 24 years old.
- (3) 25 to 29 years old.
- (4) 30 to 39 years old.
- (5) 40 to 49 years old.
- (6) Over 49 years old.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients registered on the Disability Services Register vary across the age spectrum and regions of the state.

Community services: emergency respite

3207. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — Barwon-south western region

3208. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the Barwon South West Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — Hume region

3209. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the Hume Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — north and west metropolitan region

3210. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the North and West Metropolitan Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — eastern metropolitan region

3211. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the Eastern Metropolitan Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — southern metropolitan region

3212. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the Southern Metropolitan Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — Gippsland region

3213. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the Gippsland Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Community services: emergency respite — Grampians region

3214. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many children with a disability were placed in emergency respite in the Grampians Region each year from 2004 to 2010 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, children may reside in respite facilities across the state.

Agriculture: Department of Primary Industries — vehicles

3217. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to vehicles used by Department of Primary Industries employees, what models, and how many of each model, are manufactured by:

- (1) Ford.
- (2) Holden.
- (3) Toyota.
- (4) Subaru.
- (5) Mazda.
- (6) Mitsubishi.
- (7) Other manufacturers.

ANSWER:

I am informed that/as follows:

The Department of Primary Industries fleet comprises the following vehicles:

Ford: Courier-1, Falcon-118, Ranger-21, Transit-1

Holden: Captiva-41, Colorado-25, Commodore-104, Rodeo-15

Toyota: Aurion-3, Camry-82, Hybrid Camry-31, Hiace-2, Hilux-88, Landcruiser-33, Prado-40, Prius-45, Rav-9

Subaru: Forester-42, Outback-3

Mazda: 0

Mitsubishi: 380-1, Outlander-1, Pajero-9, Triton-18

Other manufacturers; Nissan: Navara-9, Patrol-6, X Trail 26; Daimler/Chrysler: Vito-1

Planning: Department of Planning and Community Development — vehicles

3219. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Housing for the Minister for Planning with reference to vehicles used by Department of Planning and Community Development employees, what models, and how many of each model, are manufactured by:

- (1) Ford.
- (2) Holden.
- (3) Toyota.
- (4) Subaru.
- (5) Mazda.
- (6) Mitsubishi.
- (7) Other manufacturers.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Department of Planning and Community Development currently holds leases on 155 executive and operational vehicles. The current numbers of Departmental vehicles operated by manufacturer are:

<u>(a) FORD</u>	<u>13</u>	
– Ford Falcon:	8	
– Ford Territory:	5	
<u>(b) HOLDEN</u>	<u>24</u>	
– Holden Commodore:	10	
– Holden Statesman:	2	
– Holden Calais:	4	
– Holden Berlina:	8	
<u>(c) TOYOTA</u>	<u>110</u>	
– Toyota Aurion:	5	
– Toyota Camry Altise:	53	
– Toyota Camry Hybrid:	24	
– Toyota Hilux diesel:	5	
– Toyota Landcruiser Prado:	1	
– Toyota Prius Hybrid:	21	
– Toyota Tarago	1	
<u>(d) SUBARU</u>	<u>4</u>	
– Subaru Forester:	4	
<u>(e) MAZDA</u>	<u>0</u>	
<u>(f) MITSUBISHI</u>	<u>1</u>	
– Mitsubishi Outlander:	1	
<u>(g) OTHER</u>	<u>3</u>	
– Nissan Pathfinder diesel:	2	
– Nissan Patrol diesel:	1	<u>Total: 155 vehicles</u>

Planning: Department of Planning and Community Development — vehicles

3220. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Housing for the Minister for Planning with reference to vehicles used by employees of the Department of Planning and Community Development:

- (1) How many vehicles are in the Department’s fleet.
- (2) How many vehicles are:
 - (a) Hybrid vehicles;
 - (b) Electric vehicles.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The Department of Planning and Community Development currently hold leases on 155 executive and operational vehicles.

The current numbers of Hybrid and Electric vehicles operated are:

- (2) Hybrid: 45
 - (3) Electric: 0
- Total: 45

Treasurer: Department of Treasury and Finance — vehicles

3224. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport for the Treasurer with reference to vehicles used by employees of the Department of Treasury and Finance:

- (1) How many vehicles are in the Department's fleet.
- (2) How many vehicles are:
 - (a) Hybrid vehicles;
 - (b) Electric vehicles.

ANSWER:

I am informed:

- (1) There are 71 vehicles in the Department's Fleet
- (2) Of these 71 vehicles, there are 3 Hybrid Vehicles

Attorney-General: Department of Justice — vehicles

3229. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Attorney-General with reference to vehicles used by Department of Justice employees, what models, and how many of each model, are manufactured by:

- (1) Ford.
- (2) Holden.
- (3) Toyota.
- (4) Subaru.
- (5) Mazda.
- (6) Mitsubishi.
- (7) Other manufacturers.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) 214
- (2) 127
- (3) 506
- (4) 4
- (5) 1

- (6) 9
- (7) 26

Attorney-General: Department of Justice — vehicles

3230. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Attorney-General with reference to vehicles used by employees of the Department of Justice:

- (1) How many vehicles are in the Department's fleet.
- (2) How many vehicles are:
 - (a) Hybrid vehicles;
 - (b) Electric vehicles.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) 887
- (2) (a)246
- (b) Nil

Roads and ports: Department of Transport — vehicles

3233. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports with reference to vehicles used by Department of Transport employees, what models, and how many of each model, are manufactured by:

- (1) Ford.
- (2) Holden.
- (3) Toyota.
- (4) Subaru.
- (5) Mazda.
- (6) Mitsubishi.
- (7) Other manufacturers.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at 31 July 2010, the Department of Transport had 127 vehicles in its fleet, consisting of:

- Ford: 38 vehicles
- Holden: 20 vehicles
- Toyota: 40 vehicles
- Subaru: 19 vehicles
- Mazda: Nil
- Mitsubishi: 2 vehicles
- Kia: 1 vehicle
- Nissan: 6 vehicles
- Chrysler: 1 vehicle

Roads and ports: Department of Transport — vehicles

3234. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports —

- (1) How many vehicles are in the Department's fleet.
- (2) How many vehicles are:
 - (a) Hybrid vehicles;
 - (b) Electric vehicles.

ANSWER:

As at 31 July 2010:

- (1) 127 vehicles
- (2) (a) 20 hybrid vehicles
- (2) (b) There are no electric vehicles in DOT's fleet as at the above date, however DOT is facilitating the electric vehicle trial with Vicfleet and the organisations involved.

Community services: disability support register

3235. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services as at June 2010 how many people on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3236. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services as at June 2010 how many people in the Barwon South West Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3237. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services as at June 2010 how many people in the Eastern Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3238. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services as at June 2010 how many people in the Gippsland Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3239. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services as at June 2010 how many people in the Hume Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3240. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services as at June 2010 how many people in the Grampians Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3241. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services — as at June 2010 how many people in the Loddon Mallee Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3242. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services — as at June 2010 how many people in the North and West Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3243. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services — as at June 2010 how many people in the Southern Metropolitan Region on the Disability Support Register were waiting for:

- (1) Day time activities.
- (2) Support to live in the community.
- (3) Supported accommodation options.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of clients waiting for various forms of support varies from week to week based on need.

Community services: Futures for Young Adults program

3244. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services — with reference to the Futures for Young Adults program:

- (1) How many young people leaving school at the end of 2009 were assessed as eligible to receive support through the program.
- (2) How many young people leaving school at the end of 2009 were assessed at each level of the program.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Over 500 young people leaving school in 2009 were assessed as eligible and a range of support was provided.

Community services: disability support register

3245. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the allocation of resources for persons making requests to the Disability Support Register as at 30 June 2010:

How many applications to the Disability Support Register are allocated at each level from Level 1.1 to Level 4.6.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are allocated at various levels based on need.

Community services: disability support register

3246. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3247. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Barwon South West Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3248. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Loddon Mallee Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3249. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Hume Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3250. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the North and West Metropolitan Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3251. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3252. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Southern Metropolitan Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3253. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Gippsland Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3254. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Grampians Region as at December 2009:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3255. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Grampians Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register

3256. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3257. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Barwon South West Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3258. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Loddon Mallee Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3259. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Hume Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3260. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the North and West Metropolitan Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3261. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3262. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Southern Metropolitan Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3263. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Gippsland Region as at December 2009:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register

3264. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3265. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Barwon South West Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3266. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Loddon Mallee Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3267. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Hume Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3268. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the North and West Metropolitan Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3269. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3270. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Southern Metropolitan Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3271. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Gippsland Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3272. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Grampians Region as at June 2010:

- (1) How many individuals waiting for supported accommodation were recommended for priority status.
- (2) How many individuals waiting for support to live in the community were recommended for priority status.
- (3) How many individuals waiting for day time activities were recommended for priority status.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client status varies based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Grampians region

3273. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Grampians Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register

3274. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Barwon-south western region

3275. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Barwon South West Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Loddon Mallee region

3276. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Loddon Mallee Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Hume region

3277. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Hume Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — north and west metropolitan region

3278. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the North and West Metropolitan Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — eastern metropolitan region

3279. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — southern metropolitan region

3280. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Southern Metropolitan Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: disability support register — Gippsland region

3281. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to persons making requests to the Disability Support Register in the Gippsland Region as at June 2010:

How many people on the register for supported accommodation options, support to live in the community and day time activities are classified as:

- (1) A child/young person with a disability who has an ageing carer.
- (2) A person with a disability who has an ageing carer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Clients are classified based on their individual circumstances.

Community services: respite beds

3282. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — Barwon-south western region

3283. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Barwon South West Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — Loddon Mallee region

3284. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Loddon Mallee Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — Hume region

3285. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Hume Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — north and west metropolitan region

3286. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the North and West Metropolitan Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — eastern metropolitan region

3287. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Eastern Metropolitan Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — southern metropolitan region

3288. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Southern Metropolitan Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — Gippsland region

3289. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Gippsland Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: respite beds — Grampians region

3290. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services how many people with disabilities were accommodated in respite beds while waiting for a permanent placement in the Grampians Region as at:

- (1) December 2007.
- (2) December 2008.
- (3) December 2009.
- (4) 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Client numbers varied from year to year across the regions.

Community services: pharmacotherapy — medical practitioners

3293. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health by region, how many general medical practitioners are trained to perform pharmacotherapy in Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

By Department of Health region, the numbers of medical practitioners trained to prescribe opioid pharmacotherapy in Victoria are as follows:

Eastern Metropolitan Region	91
North and West Metropolitan Region	202
Southern Metropolitan Region	93
Barwon South West Region	51
Gippsland Region	35
Grampians Region	20
Hume Region	28

Loddon Mallee Region

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Community services: pharmacotherapy — pharmacies

3298. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health — as at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many pharmacies currently dispense pharmacotherapy.
- (2) How many pharmacies are approved to dispense pharmacotherapy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) 419 pharmacies currently dispense pharmacotherapy
- (2) 445 pharmacies are approved to dispense pharmacotherapy

Community services: Victorian Law Enforcement Drug Fund

3301. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the Victorian Law Enforcement Drug Fund in 2009–10:

- (1) How much funding went into the Fund and what was the source of the funding.
- (2) How much from the Fund was spent on programs and initiatives.
- (3) What initiatives and programs were funded and how much did each receive.
- (4) What was the remaining balance of the Fund.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) The Victorian Law Enforcement Drug Fund (VLEDF) is sourced from both Commonwealth and State levels of government. The Federal Government and the Victorian Department of Health respectively fund \$513 400 annually into the VLEDF, making the combined annual total \$1 026 800.
- (2) In the 2009–10 funding year, \$941 500 was approved by the Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Corrections to be spent on nine different projects (listed below). The VLEDF established a partnership with the Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) to support communities to address drug and alcohol issues at a local level. The VLEDF provides \$100 000 annually to DPCD to fund two geographical areas to run community development initiatives.
- (3) 2009–10 funding round:
 - Drug importation, gambling behaviour and Vietnamese women in prison
Corrections Victoria — \$95 000
 - Moorabbin Police-Police & Community Triage Teams ('PACT') Pilot
Victoria Police — \$180 000
 - Effective management of offenders exhibiting violence associated with abuse of amphetamine type stimulants (ATS) and other drugs in police custody
Victoria Police — \$172 000
 - Research identifying the social harms associated with the sale and supply of alcohol by packaged liquor outlets
Responsible Alcohol Victoria — \$115 000

- Liquor Licensing Data Matching Analysis
Responsible Alcohol Victoria — \$60 000
- Aggression Management Training in Licensed Premises
Responsible Alcohol Victoria — \$112 500
- Understanding the role of benzodiazepine use in crime
Department of Health — \$107 000

Department of Planning and Community Development Community Renewal partnership

- 'Don't Turn A Night Out Into a Nightmare' alcohol awareness campaign
Frankston North Community Renewal, DPCD — \$50 000
- Understanding alcohol misuse and costs in and around local sporting clubs
Hampton Park Community Renewal, DPCD — \$50 000

(4) Carryover balance from 2008–09: \$1 561 832.98

Total allocated funding for 2009–10 projects: \$941 500

After dissemination of all 2009–10 project funding allocations, the balance is \$620 332.98.

Of this, \$488 000 remains allocated yet unspent to previous funding round projects. Leaving \$132 332.98 for administration of the fund.

Community services: ice pipes

3303. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Consumer Affairs with reference to the permanent ban order on the sale of ice pipes published in the Victorian Government Gazette No S11, 22 January 2004:

How many retailers, individuals or body corporates have been fined for selling ice pipes in:

- (1) 2007.
- (2) 2008.
- (3) 2009.
- (4) 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

In relation to the sale of ice pipes:

- (1) 2007 1 prosecution \$6000 fine Director and Company (wholesaler)
1 cease trading injunction (wholesaler)
5 court enforceable undertakings (retailers)
1089 ice pipes seized
- (2) 2008 1 prosecution \$15 000 fine with conviction sole trader (retailer)
1 written warning (retailer)
7 ice pipes seized
- (3) 2009 no ice pipes detected and no enforcement outcomes
- (4) 2010 124 ice pipes seized (from 2 retailers) enforcement outcomes pending

Community services: Kew Residential Services

3306. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the profit made to date by the Government from the redevelopment of Kew Residential Services:

- (1) Can the Minister disclose the profit.
- (2) Can the Minister show where the profit has been invested in services for people with disabilities.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Please refer to the report Ombudsman investigation into the probity of the Kew Residential Services and St Kilda Triangle development June 2010.

Community services: supported accommodation

3309. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the Government's agreement with the Commonwealth Government for various capital works projects to assist with the provision of supported accommodation facilities for people with a disability with older carers:

As at 30 June 2010 for each facility:

- (1) Has the project been put to tender.
- (2) Has the project had design specifications approved.
- (3) When will the facility be completed.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Projects were at various stages of completion as at 30 June 2010.

Mental health: acute mental health units

3311. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health — at 30 June 2010, in each mental health service area and unit location, how many beds in acute mental health units for aged clients were:

- (1) Funded.
- (2) Under construction.
- (3) In development.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

– numbers vary by Health Service Area and location.

Mental health: acute mental health units

3312. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health — at 30 June 2010, in each mental health service area and unit location, how many beds in acute mental health units for child and adolescent clients were:

- (1) Funded.

- (2) Under construction.
- (3) In development.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Numbers varied by Health Service area and location

Mental health: adult residential rehabilitation beds

3313. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health with reference to adult residential rehabilitation beds:

- (1) How many beds were there, by Department of Human Services Region, as at 30 June 2010.
- (2) How many additional beds have been made available since 30 June 2008, and:
 - (a) what organisation, agency or government department has provided the beds;
 - (b) where are these beds located.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Numbers varied by Health Service area and location

Mental health: secure community care unit beds

3314. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health with reference to secure community care unit beds:

- (1) How many beds were there, by Department of Human Services Region, as at 30 June 2010.
- (2) How many additional beds have been made available since 30 June 2008, and:
 - (a) what organisation, agency or government department has provided the beds;
 - (b) where are these beds located.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Numbers are varied by health service area and location.

Mental health: extended care unit beds

3315. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health with reference to extended care unit beds:

- (1) How many beds were there, by Department of Human Services Region, as at 30 June 2010.
- (2) How many additional beds have been made available since 30 June 2008, and:
 - (a) what organisation, agency or government department has provided the beds;
 - (b) where are these beds located.

ANSWER:

I am informed that bed numbers varied by health service area and location.

Mental health: prevention and recovery care places

3316. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Mental Health with reference to prevention and recovery care places:

- (1) How many places were there, by Department of Human Services Region, as at 30 June 2010.
- (2) How many additional places have been made available since 30 June 2008, and:
 - (a) what organisation, agency or government department has provided the places;
 - (b) where are these places located.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Numbers vary by health service area and location.

Community services: prevention and recovery care places

3317. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to requests for shared supported accommodation in 2009–10:

- (1) How many requests were received.
- (2) How many requests were rejected.
- (3) What were the reasons given for any rejected requests.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The number of requests varied throughout 2009–10.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — city of Manningham

3321. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Manningham in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Manningham administered within my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$73 267.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Manningham through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — city of Whitehorse

3322. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Whitehorse in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Whitehorse administered within my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$182 301.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Whitehorse through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — city of Monash

3323. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Monash in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Monash administered within my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$220 565.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Monash through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — shire of Yarra Ranges

3324. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Yarra Ranges in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Yarra Ranges in my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$306 736.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Yarra Ranges through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — city of Knox

3325. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Knox in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Knox in my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$163 804.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Knox through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — city of Maroondah

3326. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Maroondah in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Maroondah in my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$207 585.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Maroondah through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth program — city of Boroondara

3327. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much government funding was given to programs for young people in Boroondara in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Boroondara in my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$127 096.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Boroondara through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Roads and ports: roads — city of Manningham

3332. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports with reference to the proposal from the Manningham City Council to take back control of the Victoria Street/Blackburn Road end of King Street in East Doncaster in return for upgrading part of Reynolds Road as an arterial road:

- (1) Will the Government accept the proposal; if so, what is the implementation time line.
- (2) What is the estimated cost of upgrading part of Reynolds Road as an arterial road.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

I am advised that the Manningham City Council has made representations to VicRoads to consider the declaration of a section of Reynolds Road instead of Blackburn Road. This will be the subject of further consultation between VicRoads and Council.

VicRoads has not undertaken any costing at this stage regarding upgrading Reynolds Road to an arterial road standard.

Roads and ports: King Street, Doncaster East — upgrade

3333. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports with reference to the upgrade the Victoria Street/Williamsons Road side of King Street in Doncaster East:

- (1) Will the Government proceed with the upgrade.

- (2) What is the estimated cost of the upgrade.
- (3) Will the upgrade result in a four-lane road with bus lanes.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

VicRoads currently has no works planned for King Street. Proposals for improvement projects must be considered and prioritised on a state-wide basis. Any improvement works to King Street will be considered in this context.

Roads and ports: King Street, Doncaster East — works

- 3334.** Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what funds does VicRoads plan to spend on King Street in Doncaster East in 2010–11, 2011–12 and 2012–13 and what works will be carried out.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

VicRoads currently has no works planned for King Street. Proposals for improvement projects may be considered and prioritised on a state-wide basis. Any improvement works to King Street will be considered in this context.

Sport, recreation and youth affairs: youth programs — city of Manningham

- 3336.** Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Youth Affairs how much was spent on youth affairs in Manningham in 2009–10 and what programs was this money spent on.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The amount given to programs in Manningham administered within my portfolio of youth affairs for the year 2009–10 was \$73 267.

This funding was spent on the Advance, FReeZA, National Youth Week and Positive Body Image programs.

There may have been government funding given to programs for young people in Manningham through other government offices/departments. Questions in regard to funding details of programs which are the responsibilities of other Portfolios should be directed to the relevant Minister.

Community services: social welfare services — city of Manningham

- 3337.** Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) What representations has the Manningham City Council made seeking the Government's commitment to increasing funding to Manningham thereby providing a more equitable distribution of funding across the Eastern Metropolitan Region for a range of social welfare services.
- (2) Will the Government reassess the amount of moneys currently being directed towards Manningham for social welfare services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that

- (1) Manningham City Council has made representations to the Departments of Human Services and Health regarding the establishment of Manningham Community Services Precinct and possible contributions of funding by either or both departments. In particular discussions have focused on increasing the funding to Manningham Community Health Service and Doncare as tenants of the site, possibly through annual provisions through the Department of Health. The Department of Human Services attended three meetings (and the Department of Health one meeting) to discuss the Community Services Precinct within the last 9 months.
- (2) The Government allocates funding to support a number of communities and Community Services Organisations (CSOs) within local government areas and through other catchment models so that residents should not be disadvantaged irrespective of the methods by which services are funded. CSOs monitor demand, prioritise services and provide support to ensure the needs of all eligible members of the community are addressed.

Local government: library services — funding

- 3342.** Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Local Government will the Government commit to the long term funding of library services in order to reduce the disparity between state and local government funding and achieve a dollar for dollar funding partnership.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The State Government provided almost \$33 million, a record level of funding, in 2009–10 as recurrent grants to support local government in the provision of public library services.

In addition, the Government is investing in public libraries by providing \$380 000 per year to support the LibraryLink Victoria system, enabling users to borrow materials from any public library in Victoria and \$6 million over four years for the Premier’s Reading Challenge Book Fund Program, enabling libraries to purchase additional resources.

The successful Living Libraries Program has funded a total of 124 projects through an investment to date by the Victorian Government of \$31.5 million. In the 2010 Budget, the Government announced a further \$3 million for an extension of the Living Libraries Program.

The Victorian Government will continue to support councils in providing library services to their communities.

Community services: Doncare — funding

- 3345.** Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services is the Government aware of any cutbacks made by Doncare to programs and the redundancy of two staff; if so will it provide more financial support.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Doncare has a range of funding sources and generates it’s own funding through the running of opportunity shops. I understand that Doncare made a decision to no longer provide employment for roles that have been self funded by Doncare such as the Chinese playgroup and Hands on Parenting Support group.

In 2010–11 Doncare will receive \$216 001 for Family Services from the Department of Human Services. This funding has not been reduced.

Roads and ports: EastLink — noise pollution

3348. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what steps will the Government take to alleviate noise pollution for residents whose homes adjoin the EastLink freeway.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The policy for noise attenuation on EastLink was established by the Victorian Government and is set out in the EastLink Concession Deed. This policy states that a site is eligible for noise attenuation when measured noise levels at that site exceed 63 decibels for 10 per cent of the time between the hours of 6.00 a.m. and midnight. The location and height of the noise barriers constructed along EastLink was determined by noise modelling undertaken by independent acoustic experts in line with this policy.

Following the opening of EastLink and the settling of traffic levels, a program of noise monitoring was undertaken at 16 locations along the alignment by independent acoustic experts. The purpose of this program was to measure actual noise levels in order to ensure that the existing noise barriers are achieving the required level of noise attenuation. I am advised that the measured noise levels at each of these locations were well below the 63 decibels threshold.

ConnectEast has taken a number of steps to reduce truck noise along the route. Signs requesting truck drivers to avoid using their engine brakes have been installed at various locations, including the western entrance to the Mullum Mullum Tunnel, with electronic variable message signs used to reinforce this message overnight.

Community development: Community Support Fund — city of Manningham

3349. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Development with reference to the Community Support Fund:

- (1) How much funding went to organisations in Manningham in 2009–10; and
- (2) Where were funds received by Manningham directed in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that—

- 1. The total of CSF payments made by the Department of Planning and Community Development (DPCD) to organisations in the City of Manningham in 2009–10 was \$2 013 754
- 2. This funding was directed to eight organisations as follows:

Grant Recipient	Payment in FY 2009–10
Bulleen Heights School	\$9725
Doncaster Secondary College	\$9725
Heatherwood School	\$9725
Kevin Heinze Garden Centre Inc	\$25 200
Manningham City Council	\$1 938 529
Switch On Sustainability Incorporated	\$1400
Templestowe College	\$9725
Warrandyte High School	\$9725
Grand Total	\$2 013 754

3. The funding received by Manningham City Council in 2009–10 was directed to:

Grant Recipient Unique Entity Name	Program Name	Project Name	Confirmed Paid FY0910
Manningham City Council	Community Facility Funding Program	Aquarena Aquatic and Leisure Centre Redevelopment	\$ 1,000,000
Manningham City Council	Community Facility Funding Program	Construction of a New Sporting Facility at Bulleen Park Oval #1 Incorporating the Refurbishment of the Existing Pavilion at Oval #1	\$ 29,793
Manningham City Council	Community Facility Funding Program	Construction of two tennis courts at Wonga Park Tennis Club	\$ 50,000
Manningham City Council	Community Facility Funding Program	Refurbishment and Upgrade of the Timber Ridge Reserve and Pavilion	\$ 12,000
Manningham City Council	Community Facility Funding Program	Zerbes Reserve Multipurpose Training Facility	\$ 48,000
Manningham City Council	Living Libraries Program	Civic Precinct: Doncaster Hill Library	\$ 100,000
Manningham City Council	Strengthening the World Game	Park Avenue Pavilion Redevelopment	\$ 90,000
Manningham City Council	Strengthening the World Game	Wonga Park Reserve - Establishment of Warm Season Grass Species	\$ 8,736
Manningham City Council	Victorian Community Support Grants	Doncaster Hill Civic Precinct - A Thriving Community Hub	\$ 600,000
Total			\$ 1,938,529

4. The CSF payments referred to in points 1., 2. and 3. above are for CSF-funded programs administered by DPCD. Organisations in Manningham may also have received CSF funding from programs administered by other portfolio agencies across government.
5. Within this context, it should be noted that the organisations in Manningham also benefit from many CSF funded programs that are implemented across several locations or on a state-wide basis. Consequently, any attempt to calculate investment by location will be a significant underestimation.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3350. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what timing adjustments were made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

There have been no timing adjustments made to the fixed camera at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010.

Timing adjustments of the lights are the responsibility of the Minister of Roads and Ports.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3351. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during January 2010:

How many vehicles were photographed while stationary after they had entered the intersection.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Infringements are only issued when a vehicle enters an intersection after the light has turned red. Infringements are not issued if a driver enters the intersection on an amber light, or if they enter on a green light and are subsequently delayed from clearing the intersection. It is the driver's responsibility to enter intersections only when they are facing a green light (or amber where it is unsafe to stop).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3352. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during February 2010:

How many vehicles were photographed while stationary after they had entered the intersection.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Infringements are only issued when a vehicle enters an intersection after the light has turned red. Infringements are not issued if a driver enters the intersection on an amber light, or if they enter on a green light and are subsequently delayed from clearing the intersection. It is the driver's responsibility to enter intersections only when they are facing a green light (or amber where it is unsafe to stop).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3353. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during March 2010:

How many vehicles were photographed while stationary after they had entered the intersection.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Infringements are only issued when a vehicle enters an intersection after the light has turned red. Infringements are not issued if a driver enters the intersection on an amber light, or if they enter on a green light and are subsequently delayed from clearing the intersection. It is the driver's responsibility to enter intersections only when they are facing a green light (or amber where it is unsafe to stop).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3354. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during April 2010:

How many vehicles were photographed while stationary after they had entered the intersection.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Infringements are only issued when a vehicle enters an intersection after the light has turned red. Infringements are not issued if a driver enters the intersection on an amber light, or if they enter on a green light and are subsequently delayed from clearing the intersection. It is the driver's responsibility to enter intersections only when they are facing a green light (or amber where it is unsafe to stop).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3355. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during May 2010:

How many vehicles were photographed while stationary after they had entered the intersection.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Infringements are only issued when a vehicle enters an intersection after the light has turned red. Infringements are not issued if a driver enters the intersection on an amber light, or if they enter on a green light and are subsequently delayed from clearing the intersection. It is the driver's responsibility to enter intersections only when they are facing a green light (or amber where it is unsafe to stop).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3356. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010:

How many vehicles were photographed while stationary after they had entered the intersection.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Infringements are only issued when a vehicle enters an intersection after the light has turned red. Infringements are not issued if a driver enters the intersection on an amber light, or if they enter on a green light and are subsequently delayed from clearing the intersection. It is the driver's responsibility to enter intersections only when they are facing a green light (or amber where it is unsafe to stop).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3357. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to red light offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010:

- (1) How many offences were detected.
- (2) What was the percentage of offences in comparison to offences detected in January 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In June 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In January 2010, there were 181 red light offences detected.

(All lanes were non operational for speed and red light detection during June 2010 due to scheduled roadworks).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3358. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to red light offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010:

What was the percentage of offences in comparison to offences detected in February 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In June 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In February 2010, 284 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

(All lanes were non-operational for speed and red light detection during June 2010 due to roadworks).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3359. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to red light offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010:

What was the percentage of offences in comparison to offences detected in March 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In June 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In March 2010, 266 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

(All lanes were non-operational for speed and red light detection during June 2010 due to scheduled roadworks).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3360. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to red light offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010:

What was the percentage of offences in comparison to offences detected in April 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In June 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In April 2010, 158 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

(All lanes were non-operational for speed and red light detection during June 2010 due to roadworks).

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

- 3361.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to red light offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010:

What was the percentage of offences in comparison to offences detected in May 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In June 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In May 2010, no red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

(All lanes were non-operational for speed and red light detection for May and June 2010 due to scheduled roadworks.)

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Shandon Street, Mornington — in-road sensors

- 3362.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in January 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in January 2010.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Shandon Street, Mornington — in-road sensors

- 3363.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in February 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in February 2010.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Shandon Street, Mornington — in-road sensors

3364. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in March 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in March 2010.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Shandon Street, Mornington — in-road sensors

3365. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in April 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in April 2010, however the site was deactivated in April 2010 due to repaving. As a result new sensors were installed and the site was reactivated on the 6 August 2010.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Shandon Street, Mornington — in-road sensors

3366. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in May 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in May 2010, however the site was deactivated in April 2010 due to repaving. As a result new sensors were installed and the site was reactivated on the 6 August 2010.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Shandon Street, Mornington — in-road sensors

3367. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

No adjustments or modifications were made to the in-road sensors on the Nepean Highway at the right hand turn into Shandon Street in Mornington in June 2010, however the site was deactivated in April 2010 due to repaving. As a result new sensors were installed and the site was reactivated on the 6 August 2010.

Housing: Frankston office — waiting times

3368. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Housing with reference to the Frankston Housing Office:

- (1) What is the average waiting time for people on the general public housing waiting list.
- (2) What is the average waiting time for early housing applicants.

ANSWER:

I am informed that the department assesses waiting time for early housing applicants at a state wide level. This information is published annually in the Department's Annual Report and in Budget Paper no. 3.

Environment and climate change: parks charge — Mornington electorate

3369. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change with reference to the Parks Charge collected in the Mornington electorate:

- (1) What was the total amount collected in 2008–09 and 2009–10.
- (2) What percentage of the total amount collected was allocated for projects in the electorate.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The annual parks charge is paid to Parks Victoria, Zoos Victoria, the Royal Botanic Gardens and the Shrine of Remembrance for the management of parks, open spaces and waterways in the metropolitan area.

The annual parks charge is not collected or spent on an electorate basis. I am informed that the amount collected annually in the Mornington Council area is approximately \$5.9 million.

Parks Victoria manage a large and varied number of parks on the Mornington Peninsula. These range from the Mornington Peninsula National Park, Point Nepean National Park and Arthurs Seat State Park; to reserves including Langwarrin Flora and Fauna Reserve, Bald Hill Flora Reserve, Buckley Reserve and Cape Schanck Lighthouse Reserve. Others include Devil Bend Reservoir and the Coolart Heritage Area.

Further to this are the Parks Victoria marine parks. The Mornington Peninsula coast benefits from bays and maritime management and expenditure on both its east and west shores. In total Parks Victoria has 83 staff based on the Mornington Peninsula delivering programs dedicated to the area. Parks Victoria will spend an estimated \$5 million from the parks charge on these parks. It is worth noting that Point Nepean will benefit from \$1 million per annum for this year and the next three years.

Point Nepean is a unique project, with a development fund of \$25 million (\$15 million from Commonwealth and \$10 million from State funding). This is a resource intensive development with the build up of the workforce and programs occurring during the year.

Agriculture: hendra virus

3374. **Dr NAPHTHINE** to ask the Minister for Agriculture how many fruit bats have been tested for Hendra Virus, and of these how many have returned positive results.

ANSWER:

I am informed that/as follows:

It is well known that Hendra virus circulates in bats across Australia, including Victoria. 154 samples taken over the past 14 years show a prevalence of about 10 per cent. Bats are not seen as a direct threat to humans, and no case of Hendra virus disease in humans has ever been traced to contact with bats. Humans have only become ill after close contact with the respiratory secretions of infected horses. The virus apparently needs to be “amplified” in horses in order to reach quantities able to infect humans.

The fact that Hendra virus requires the interpolation of horses to infect humans renders bat surveillance of little or no benefit in the circumstances prevailing in Victoria. The only true indicator of Hendra risk to humans is its presence in the horse population. During the 12 months from June 2009 to June 2010, a total of 338 horses were subject to routine Hendra virus screening (for export purposes) and found negative. A further 16 horses showing symptoms suggestive of Hendra virus disease were also tested and found negative.

Over the years since 1994 when Hendra virus was first detected in Queensland, no case of Hendra virus has ever been found in horses in Victoria.

Environment and climate change: Nowingi block solar development

3377. **Mr CRISP** to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change with reference to the possible solar development on the Nowingi block, adjacent to the Hattah-Kulkyne National Park, what advice did the Minister offer on the environmental impacts of such a development.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Premier announced on 25 July 2010 that the Victorian Government would seek to identify suitable public land for development of solar plants across regional Victoria. The Premier indicated that government land at Nowingi, near Mildura, may be a suitable location for a solar plant and that the land would be offered for development, subject to developer and community support.

Should a developer wish to use the land for a solar plant, they will be subject to environmental assessments under State and Commonwealth approvals processes. It is premature to provide advice on environmental impacts without knowing the likely location, size and footprint of the project within the parcel of government land at Nowingi.

Water: desalination plant

3382. **Ms ASHER** to ask the Minister for Water with reference to contracts for work on the desalination plant:

- (1) How many companies that lodged a tender were:
 - (a) Victorian;
 - (b) Australian;
 - (c) international.
- (2) How many companies awarded contracts were:

- (a) Victorian;
 - (b) Australian;
 - (c) international.
- (3) How many times was an international company awarded a contract when a Victorian or Australian company also lodged a tender and what were the reasons for the decision.
- (4) How many Victorian or Australian companies were referred to Parsons Brinckerhoff by the Industry Capability Network to lodge a tender.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Approximately 500 tenders have been lodged by Victorian companies, 130 by Australian companies and 60 from overseas.

I am informed that of \$1.1 billion worth of contracts awarded to date, 64 per cent were awarded to Victorian companies, 13 per cent were awarded to companies in other Australian states, and 23 per cent were awarded to international companies.

The procurement process for the project is being managed by AquaSure's design and construction contractor, Thiess Degrémont. Supplier suitability is assessed against a range of criteria including price, reliability, local component, quality systems/accreditation, previous relationship, commercial compliance and technical compliance.

AquaSure and Thiess Degrémont are committed to maximising the involvement of local businesses wherever possible. Where overseas contracts are awarded, it has generally been because the goods have not been available in Australia.

I am also informed that the Industry Capability Network did not refer any Victorian or Australian companies to Parsons Brinckerhoff.

Children and early childhood development: autism support services

3383. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Children and Early Childhood Development in the Sunraysia region:

- (1) What support services are available to those with autism and the families that support them.
- (2) Are there any specific visiting teaching services for those with autism.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

In 2010, the Government is investing more than \$500 million in the Program for Students with Disabilities, including \$31 million in the Language Support Program. Funding for these Programs has grown for each of the past five years. Since 1999, expenditure for students with additional learning needs has increased by 156 per cent.

As part of the Victorian Government's Autism State Plan, each region has developed a five-year Autism Action Plan.

Education staff in the Sunraysia region have been offered two year scholarships to undertake graduate diplomas in autism through the Western Autistic Centre. Staff in three schools are participating in this scholarship program.

Funding for students who meet the eligibility criteria for Autism Spectrum Disorder is provided through the Victorian Government's Program for Students with a Disability.

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not employ a dedicated autism visiting teacher in the Loddon Mallee Region. Rather the regional strategy is to build a bank of staff with the necessary

expertise and knowledge to provide support for schools and families. Twenty Allied Health Staff members are currently involved in five intensive days of training furthering their knowledge base.

Community services: respite beds

3386. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — Barwon-south western region

3387. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in Barwon South West Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — Hume region

3388. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in the Hume Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — Grampians region

3389. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in the Grampians Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — Loddon Mallee region

3390. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in the Loddon Mallee Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — Gippsland region

3391. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in the Gippsland Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — eastern metropolitan region

3392. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in the Eastern Metropolitan Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — southern metropolitan region

3393. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in the Southern Metropolitan Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Community services: respite beds — north and west metropolitan region

3394. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to facility based respite beds available to children and adults with disabilities in North and West Metropolitan Region:

As at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many beds were available.
- (2) How many families were using and/or waiting for beds.
- (3) How many of the people occupying beds had been in care for more than four weeks.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

On occasion and for a variety of reasons, people with disabilities may reside in respite facilities across the state and client numbers vary from year to year.

Education: schools — Merbein

3411. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Education — during 2009, what inducements were offered to the Merbein West and Merbein South primary schools to merge.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The Victorian Government has made clear its policy of not forcing schools to close or merge. The Government believes local school communities should make decisions about the future of their school.

The school councils of Merbein West Primary School, Merbein South Primary School, Merbein Primary School and Merbein Secondary College met during May 2009. At their meetings each council resolved to support a merger to form Merbein P–10 College from 1 January 2010. Community consultations and information sessions were conducted throughout the development of the proposal.

Health: Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital — smoking pergola

3413. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Health what will the future arrangements be for patients of Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital who wish to smoke once the structure known as the ‘smoking pergola’ is removed as part of the redevelopment of the Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

All Austin campuses, including the Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital, are officially smoke free. The Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital became smoke free in 2008 and there are no official smoking zones or shelters on the campus.

Water: sewerage backlog funding — Yarra Valley Water

3429. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water with reference to Manningham City’s request that the Government provide sufficient funding in the next Water Plan put forward by Yarra Valley Water to enable the Sewerage Backlog Program to be completed by 2019:

Will the funding be given to Yarra Valley Water; if so, over what years.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

There is no record of Manningham City Council submitting a request for funding to myself, the Department of Sustainability and Environment or Yarra Valley Water, to bring forward completion of the Sewerage Backlog Program in the Municipality.

Victoria’s independent economic regulator, the Essential Services Commission (ESC), is responsible for setting water prices which form the basis of funding for water corporations, including Yarra Valley Water (YVW). The ESC’s primary objective is to protect the long-term interests of Victorian consumers with regard to the price, quality and reliability of essential services. The ESC sets prices to reflect the cost of providing water and sewerage services while ensuring value for money for customers.

As at 30 June 2010, YVW advises that there were approximately 16 515 houses in its sewerage backlog program which is planned to run until 2025. YVW’s expenditure on this program is set as part of the ESC pricing process.

The ESC's pricing decision for the 2013–18 regulatory period is expected to occur in June 2013. The ESC's pricing decision will determine how much of YVW's backlog program is completed by 2019.

Water: sewerage backlog funding — city of Manningham

3430. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Water how much money has the Government provided to the Manningham City Council to improve its sewage backlog in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that Yarra Valley Water is responsible for addressing sewerage backlog issues within the Manningham City Council area. Yarra Valley Water's expenditure on sewerage backlog in the Manningham City Council area for 2009–10 was \$1 966 100.

Water: City West Water — usage charges

3435. Ms ASHER to ask the Minister for Water with reference to pricing figures provided by City West Water for the period commencing 1 July 2010:

Are the figures provided in the Minister's answer to Question 3045 correct; if not, what are the correct figures for the water usage charge per kilolitre, for the three tier block tariff for each year commencing 1 July 2010, 1 July 2011 and 1 July 2012.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The figures provided in answer to Question 3045 were in 2008–09 dollars, as this was the available information at the time the question was asked. These figures were subject to annual inflation adjustments as approved by the Essential Services Commission (ESC).

The tariff schedules for the years commencing 1 July 2011 and 1 July 2012 will be approved by the ESC at the start of each financial year, including adjustments for inflation.

Water: South East Water — usage charges

3436. Ms ASHER to ask the Minister for Water with reference to pricing figures provided by South East Water for the period commencing 1 July 2010:

Are the figures provided in the Minister's answer to Question 3046 correct; if not, what are the correct figures for the water usage charge per kilolitre, for the three tier block tariff for each year commencing 1 July 2010, 1 July 2011 and 1 July 2012.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The figures provided in answer to Question 3046 were in 2008–09 dollars, as this was the available information at the time the question was asked. These figures were subject to annual inflation adjustments as approved by the Essential Services Commission (ESC).

The tariff schedules for the years commencing 1 July 2011 and 1 July 2012 will be approved by the ESC at the start of each financial year, including adjustments for inflation.

Water: Yarra Valley Water — usage charges

3437. Ms ASHER to ask the Minister for Water with reference to pricing figures provided by Yarra Valley Water for the period commencing 1 July 2010:

Are the figures provided in the Minister's answer to Question 3047 correct; if not, what are the correct figures for the water usage charge per kilolitre, for the three tier block tariff for each year commencing 1 July 2010, 1 July 2011 and 1 July 2012.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The figures provided in answer to Question 3047 were in 2008–09 dollars, as this was the available information at the time the question was asked. These figures were subject to annual inflation adjustments as approved by the Essential Services Commission (ESC).

The tariff schedules for the years commencing 1 July 2011 and 1 July 2012 will be approved by the ESC at the start of each financial year, including adjustments for inflation.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3468. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during July 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3469. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during August 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3470. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during January 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3471. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during February 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3472. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during March 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3473. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during April 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

Roads and ports: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments

3474. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports what timing adjustments have been made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The matter raised does not fall within my portfolio responsibilities.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Wednesday, 6 October 2010

Industry and trade: Industry Champions program

2704. Mr SMITH (*Warrantyte*) to ask the Minister for Industry and Trade what benchmarks are in place to measure the success of the Industry Champions Program and over what time period are these benchmarks measured.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The Industry Champions Program is part of the Industry Capability Network's (ICN's) International Program, which is required to achieve a total of \$9 million in successful export orders each financial year to meet grant requirements.

ICN is responsible for recording the results and reports annually to the Department.

Industry and trade: Building Our Industries for the Future

2705. Mr SMITH (*Warrantyte*) to ask the Minister for Industry and Trade how is the Government measuring the effectiveness of its stated action, as part of the Building Our Industries For The Future: Action Plans for Victorian Industry and Manufacturing, to "support the development of a highly skilled workforce for the sector".

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The *Building Our Industries for the Future* statement provides \$122.7 million to the Manufacturing Action Plan to assist the manufacturing industry improve global competitiveness and maximise access to export markets through a number of initiatives.

A key skills initiative within the Victorian Automotive Manufacturing Action Plan (VAMAP), CareerDrive, supports the development of a highly skilled workforce for the sector by providing career coaching services for engineers that aims to retain their engineering capabilities within the manufacturing sector and promote other opportunities. This program is delivered by the Society of Automotive Engineers.

To measure the effectiveness of this program, the Department is briefed quarterly on the number of people that use these services and the outcomes that they achieve. Launched in March 2010, the program has already provided services for 35 engineers with a target of 50 engineers assisted in the first 12 months.

Industry and trade: Building Our Industries for the Future

2708. Mr SMITH (*Warrantyte*) to ask the Minister for Industry and Trade how is the Government measuring the effectiveness of its stated action, as part of the Building Our Industries For The Future: Action Plans for Victorian Industry and Manufacturing, to "implement a range of sector-specific strategies and initiatives".

ANSWER:

The *Building Our Industries for the Future* statement provides \$244.7 million in programs and projects to strengthen and support Victorian industries.

\$122.7 million is allocated to the Manufacturing Action Plan to assist the manufacturing industry improve global competitiveness and maximise access to export markets.

The plan implements a range of sector-specific strategies and initiatives.

- the \$6.7 million Victorian Automotive Manufacturing Action Plan;
- the \$300 000 Greening the Automotive Industry program;
- the \$1.1 million C21 Challenge Pilot program;
- the \$8 million Defence Industry Acceleration program;
- the \$50 million Industry Transition Fund;
- the \$28 million Market Demonstration and Development program;
- the \$21.6 million Agenda For New Manufacturing program; and
- the \$7 million RMIT Advanced Manufacturing precinct.

Effectiveness of each initiative is measured at an individual program level based on the stated objectives for that particular program. The Department of Innovation Industry and Regional Development negotiates performance milestones with each company that receives a grant, included in detailed grant agreements. In many cases payments of grants are contingent on the achievement of these milestones. A Departmental client manager will follow the progress in achieving these milestones and record outcomes.

The outcomes of these grants are then aggregated and contribute to Departmental job, investment and export targets which are reported in the Department's Annual Report.

Police and emergency services: Victoria Police Forensic Services Centre

2747. Mr RYAN to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the electronic records management system at the Victoria Police Forensic Services Centre:

- (1) Until the end of 2001, were electronic records within the Centre provided by a system based on a Prime computer.
- (2) Was the system changed to a PC-based system sometime after 2001; if so, why.
- (3) Did Victoria Police enter into a contract with IBM in 1999 for the provision of IT services; if so, did it include an obligation by IBM to either maintain the system used by the Centre based on a Prime computer or provide an equivalent system.
- (4) Did Victoria Police require IBM to honour a contractual obligation to either maintain the system used by the Centre based on a Prime computer or provide an equivalent system; if not, why not.
- (5) Did Victoria Police continue to make payments after 2001 for a system for the Forensic Services Department based on a Prime computer as required by the contract, even if the system was no longer operable; if so, how much was paid in:
 - (a) 2002;
 - (b) 2003;
 - (c) 2004;
 - (d) 2005;

- (e) 2006;
 - (f) 2007;
 - (g) 2008; and
 - (h) 2009.
- (6) What was the additional cost to Victoria Police of providing an alternative system in:
- (a) 2002;
 - (b) 2003;
 - (c) 2004;
 - (d) 2005;
 - (e) 2006;
 - (f) 2007;
 - (g) 2008; and
 - (h) 2009.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) During that period, Victoria Police did use a Prime computer based system to manage item movement records, management of service requests against items and tracking of forensic samples subject to section 464 of the *Crimes Act 1958*.
- (2) In 2003, the Prime system was decommissioned and functions moved to a PC-based system called Forensic Case Management (FCM). At that time, the Prime system had been in use for almost 20 years and the supply of spare parts and skilled labour resources to support the hardware had significantly declined over several years previous. Victoria Police took action to accelerate the move from the Prime system due to the inability of the contracted supplier to continue to supply parts and skilled labour for the ageing hardware.
- (3) Victoria Police entered into a contract with IBM in 1999, which included the Prime system, with a charge for management services. There was no contractual obligation on IBM to provide an equivalent system. This system was transitioned into IBM support under the Contract, having been used within Victoria Police for 16 years at the time of Contract commencement.
- (4) Contractually, IBM was obligated to support the applications on the Prime computer. There was nothing contractual to suggest IBM would be responsible for providing an equivalent system. The cost of supporting the Prime based systems ceased in March 2003.
- (5) Victoria Police continued to make payments until March 2003 whilst the Prime computer was still operational.

a) 2002	\$404 232
b) 2003	\$136 107
c) 2004–09	\$0
- (6) Additional cost to Victoria Police in providing an alternative system in the periods indicated are as follows:

a) 2002;	\$225K	(includes Forensic support staff)
b) 2003;	\$249K	(includes Forensic support staff)
c) 2004;	\$149K	(includes Forensic support staff)
d) 2005;	\$128K	(includes Forensic support staff)
e) 2006–09;	\$88K pa.	(includes Forensic support staff)

Corrections: hold harmless clause

2767(k). **Mr WAKELING** to ask the Honourable the Minister for Corrections — With reference to the inclusion of ‘hold harmless clauses’, which provide full indemnity for the Government or its departments for all loss and damage, regardless of whether the Government or department has contributed to the loss or damage, in temporary employment service procurement contracts:

- (1) Do any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses; if so, which departments or agencies.
- (2) If any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses, what is the policy that supports this inclusion.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Department of Justice and its associated agencies, do not require or recommend the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in temporary employment service procurement contracts.

When sourcing human resources from external providers, the department uses organisations from the Victorian Government Employment Panel. In those circumstances the whole of government contract (terms and conditions) applies.

There is no requirement or recommendation for the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in the temporary employment service procurement contracts of the Department or its agencies.

Where companies or individuals are engaged by the State under standard professional service contracts (i.e. not as employees), an indemnification to the State is a standard requirement in those circumstances, as is usual commercial practice.

Police and emergency services: hold harmless clause

2767(aa). **Mr WAKELING** to ask the Honourable the Minister for Police & Emergency Services with reference to the inclusion of ‘hold harmless clauses’, which provide full indemnity for the Government or its departments for all loss and damage, regardless of whether the Government or department has contributed to the loss or damage, in temporary employment service procurement contracts:

- (1) Do any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses; if so, which departments or agencies.
- (2) If any departments or agencies under the jurisdiction of the Minister require or recommend the inclusion of such clauses, what is the policy that supports this inclusion.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Department of Justice and its associated agencies, do not require or recommend the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in temporary employment service procurement contracts.

When sourcing human resources from external providers, the department uses organisations from the Victorian Government Employment Panel. In those circumstances the whole of government contract (terms and conditions) applies.

There is no requirement or recommendation for the inclusion of “hold harmless” or indemnity clauses in the temporary employment service procurement contracts of the Department or its agencies.

Where companies or individuals are engaged by the State under standard professional service contracts (i.e. not as employees), an indemnification to the State is a standard requirement in those circumstances, as is usual commercial practice.

Industry and trade: Agenda for New Manufacturing

2802. Mr SMITH (*Warrantyte*) to ask the Minister for Industry and Trade with reference to the Agenda for New Manufacturing, General, as detailed in the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development 2008–09 report, what benefits were derived from the grant of \$15 000 to Pengala Pty Ltd.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The grant assisted Pengala Pty Ltd (Modern Olives) to undertake Value Stream Mapping and implement Lean principles, including Visual Workplace leading to increased capacity and lower production costs.

Pengala Pty Ltd is now able to meet the increasing demand for rapid delivery of their products, enabling it to compete more effectively against imports. Pengala Pty Ltd has improved its manufacturing capacity, set greater targets and better engages the workers on the shop floor.

The process undertaken has enabled Pengala Pty Ltd to better identify and remove unnecessary waste and excess cost, assisting in sustaining local production against the option of customers using imported products.

Industry and trade: Victorian industry manufacturing statement

2807. Mr SMITH (*Warrantyte*) to ask the Minister for Industry and Trade with reference to the Victorian Industry Manufacturing Statement as detailed in the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development 2008–09 report, what benefits were derived from the grant of:

- (1) \$75 000 to 21st Century International Business Development Centre Pty Ltd.
- (2) \$70 000 to Architektonic Pty Ltd.
- (3) \$20 000 to ASN Conferences.
- (4) \$195 000 to Australian Aerospace and Defence Innovations Ltd.
- (5) \$41 000 to Australian Industry and Defence Network Inc — Victoria.
- (6) \$14 400 to Deakin University.
- (7) \$50 000 to Federation of Automotive Products Manufacturers Ltd.
- (8) \$200 000 to GHD Pty Ltd.
- (9) \$120 000 to Grocon Constructors (Vic) Pty Ltd.
- (10) \$40 000 to Industry Capability Network Ltd.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

With reference to the VIMS as detailed in the DIIRD report, what benefits were derived from the grant of:

- (1) \$75 000 to 21st Century International Business Development Centre.

This was offered under the Victorian Automotive Manufacturing Action Plan's (VAMAP) Technical Presentation Visit (TPV) program, with the aim of enabling Victorian companies to present higher quality and more detailed technical information to Chinese vehicle builders than is possible with support offered under the Trade Fairs and Missions program.

In total a grant of \$100 000 was provided to 21st CIBDC to conduct the TPV. Funds were spent on the preparation of high quality presentation material, high quality technical translations and translators, market research within China that facilitated the organising the meetings with targeted Chinese auto industry representatives and vehicle builders, transportation within China and receptions/seminars with Chinese government officials and Industry representatives. 21st CIBDC also was paid a project management fee. The participants were required to at least match the funding (either in-kind and/or cash).

5 Victorian companies (including the AUTO CRC) and the China Victoria Automotive Cluster (CVAC) were supported with this grant and they made technical presentations to 8 Chinese vehicle builders and one University.

At the conclusion of the mission, companies reported expected new business opportunities of up to \$10.5 million within 12 months and up to \$42 million within 24 months. The participants on the TPV are currently being surveyed to confirm actual outcomes 12 months after the mission.

This mission was also played a key role in developing the relationship between Tongji University in Shanghai and the Auto CRC that resulted the signing of the MOU between those two organisations that was witnessed by the Minister for Industry and Trade while she was in Shanghai for the World Expo in May 2010.

(2) \$70 000 to Architektonic Pty Ltd

The grant represents payment to Architektonic as the lead company for the Australian Urban Systems (AUS) Tangshan Eco Tourism Planning Cluster. The cluster consisted of four Victorian based companies which worked collaboratively with Tongji University to prepare a Conceptual Planning framework Tangshan Ecological and Tourism Area of 50 km². The potential export earnings on the development of this project is estimated at between \$10–\$30 million depending upon the extent to which the planning recommendations are adopted by the Chinese Government.

Architektonic continues to gain projects in China with the outputs of this project providing a strong demonstration of the capability of Victorian companies.

(3) \$20 000 to ASN Conferences

This represents part payment of sponsorship for the international Sustainable Buildings 08 Conference held in September 2008. ASN Conferences was the organising and project manager for the conference. The Conference was attended by approximately 3000 guests with a wide range of international speakers and exhibitors. It highlighted the work being undertaken by Victorian companies in sustainable design and development.

(4) \$195 000 to Australian Aerospace and Defence Innovations Ltd

This grant was a payment to fund a Business Development Manager for Australian Aerospace and Defence Innovations Ltd (AADI) (\$100k) and the provision of the annual report on Victoria's Defence Industry Activity 2008 (\$95k). AADI are a not-for-profit organisation established by the Victorian Government to provide support to the Victorian defence industry, particularly SMEs seeking research and development grant opportunities and commercialising new technology.

(5) \$41 000 to Australian Industry and Defence Network Inc — Victoria

This grant was a payment to Australian Industry Defence Network–Victoria as the auspice body responsible for coordinating and paying for 4 Victorian places on the 2009 Defence Materiel Organisation's Defence Industry Skilling Course (DISC). DISC provides senior management representatives of defence industry companies and organisations with an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of Defence's special needs and access to decision-makers in Defence.

(6) \$14 400 to Deakin University.

This was part of a total grant of \$19 400 to Deakin University offered under the Victorian Automotive Manufacturing Action Plan's (VAMAP) Technical Presentation Visit (TPV) program. Deakin was required to at least match the funding either in-kind and/or cash.

Deakin wanted to further develop its relationship with the Hefei University of Technology and the nearby vehicle manufacturers JAC and Chery. The Auto CRC, VCAMM and Futuris also participated in the TPV.

The funding was spent on interpreters, quality display material, market research and a technical seminar (Second Joint Forum on Automotive Materials and Technology).

As result of the mission:

- Deakin and the Auto CRC entered in a partnership to research light weighting of vehicles with the Hefei University of Technology. Other bodies involved with the project include Swinburne University, RMIT, Cast CRC, ANU and VPAC.
- Sanjiang Space Group visited Victoria to potentially source advanced manufacturing technologies in late October 2009.
- Hefei University of Technology agreed to visit Victoria in April 2010.

Deakin University is currently being surveyed to confirm actual outcomes 12 months after the mission.

(7) \$50 000 to Federation of Automotive Products Manufacturers Ltd

This is a part payment to the FAPM for the Supplier Assistant Coordinator Project (SAC), aimed at assisting Victorian auto component manufacturers to restructure, in particular helping individual companies to understand their financial needs and where necessary to assist with merger and acquisition activities. To date the SAC had contacted 39 Victorian component suppliers and have been the catalyst for one merger transaction which resulted in the expansion of a Victorian company's operations, assisted companies looking for 'roll-up' opportunities in the sector, discussed investment opportunities in Victoria with representatives of Indian and Malaysian companies and approached a potential buyer on behalf of a Victorian based company.

(8) \$200 000 to GHD Pty Ltd

The grant was payment to the AUS Tangshan New City Urban Design Cluster which consisted of four companies, lead by GHD working collaboratively to deliver the Tangshan New City Initial Region Urban Design. Following the successful completion of the masterplan participating companies were successful in achieving over \$5 million of fees for work undertaken in the following 12 months. Seven short term and seven long-term opportunities were identified by the Tangshan Government and cluster companies will be actively involved in their implementation. The potential earnings over the medium term on the development of these projects will exceed \$30 million.

(9) \$120 000 to Grocon Constructors (Vic) Pty Ltd

The grant is part payment to the Tall Building Advisory Group, an AUS Cluster lead by Grocon Pty Ltd. The Group consisted of six companies working collaboratively to bid for 14 tall buildings for design and construction using Grocon's unique jump-form technology. To date approximately \$2 million of work has been secured with potential returns from other projects estimated at \$8 million for design fees.

(10) \$40 000 to Industry Capability Network Ltd

The grant represents Victoria's annual contribution towards the Team Automotive Australia (TAA) program being auspice by the ICNL. TAA is a national initiative aimed at promoting Australian Automotive capabilities and products to North American Original Equipment Manufacturers. Over the January–August 2010 period, \$22 million worth of RFQs were generated with 2 programs valued at \$3.31 million awarded to Victorian TAA members.

Environment and climate change: Sustainability Victoria — paper consumption

2862. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change with reference to paper consumption at Sustainability Victoria:

- (1) What was the total consumption of reams of A4 equivalent paper per full-time employee in each of 2007–08 to 2009–10 to date.
- (2) What was the total consumption of envelopes per full time employee in each of 2007–08 to 2009–10 to date.
- (3) What was the total paper consumption for external printing and publications in each of 2007–08 to 2009–10 to date.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

1. The total consumption of A4 equivalent paper per full time employee is as follows

2007–08 — 6.5 reams
 2008–09 — 6.1 reams
 2009–10 — 4.8 reams to March 2010

2. The total consumption of envelopes per full time employee is as follows

2007–08 — 134.7
 2008–09 — 219.5
 2009–10 — 69.8 to March 2010

Note: the increase in envelope use for 2008–09 may have been a result of the substantial uptake in a number of rebates (solar hot water and appliance) by the Victorian community.

3. As per the Sustainability Victoria Act 2005 the functions of Sustainability Victoria are to provide information and advice on issues relating to environmental sustainability.

Note: every effort has been made to ascertain accurate figures, however as records for 07–08 were incomplete this figure may not be entirely representative of the paper use in that year.

Year 07–08 — 28 reams of A4 paper
 Year 08–09 — 1804 reams of A4 paper
 Year 09–10 — 1224 reams of A4 paper to March 2010

Based on the number of Victorians reached each year this equates to:

- Year 07–08 — 0.11 sheets A4 paper per person reached
- Year 08–09 — 0.58 sheets A4 paper per person reached
- Year 09–10 — 0.474 sheets A4 paper per person reached to March 2010

Police and emergency services: speed camera operator training

2884. Mr SMITH (*Warrantyte*) to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what training do speed camera operators undertake prior to operating roadside speed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The current mobile speed camera operator training course is a comprehensive four week program followed by on-site supervised mentoring. The course covers:

- radar theory — and operation of the Gatso radar system
- relevant road safety camera legislation
- court training — including overview of court system; operator court attendance; briefs of evidence and a visit to the magistrates' court
- camera equipment — description and functions
- practical procedures — camera set-up
- theory and practical examinations.

The Course emphasises correct camera set up, safety procedures and how to ensure reliability and accuracy of the camera's operation.

The Victoria Police, Traffic Camera Office (TCO) oversee all speed camera operator training. The operators must successfully complete the above components of the program before live camera sessions can be conducted.

On successful completion of the course an operator is issued a *Certificate of Authority* to operate the mobile speed camera.

After graduation, a newly appointed operator is mentored by his/her Assistant Regional Manager before being able to work unsupervised.

Consumer affairs: Illawong Retirement Village

2889. **Mr THOMPSON** (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Consumer Affairs with reference to Consumer Affairs Victoria's decision that managers of Illawong Retirement Village in Patterson Lakes were in breach of a number of their statutory obligations:

- (1) What penalties, if any, were imposed as a result of such findings.
- (2) What steps has Consumer Affairs Victoria taken to ensure that the company does not continue to commit further breaches of the legislation.
- (3) What steps has Consumer Affairs Victoria taken to seek:
 - (a) repayment to residents of amounts incorrectly charged;
 - (b) access for residents to financial records of the body corporate in relation to expenditure on maintenance.
- (4) How many other retirement villages have failed to meet their statutory obligations.
- (5) What steps has Consumer Affairs Victoria taken to ensure that GST on maintenance fees is not incorrectly collected by the management of retirement villages.
- (6) Will the Minister demand an independent audit of the books, accounts and records of the retirement village.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) did not make a decision that the managers of the Illawong Retirement Village were in breach of statutory obligations. There is an ongoing dispute between the managers and residents of the Village over the calculation of maintenance fees. This dispute is currently before the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

The core of the dispute between the management of the village and the residents is the claim by the residents that the calculation of the maintenance fee was not in accordance with the Regulations and was excessive. In such

circumstances, the excess amount charged is not payable by the residents. Some residents withheld payment of the entire maintenance fee. The manager claimed that because residents had not paid the disputed fee they could not prepare financial statements required for the annual meeting.

CAV attempted to resolve the dispute by writing to both parties and attending a number of meetings with the residents and the manager. CAV was successful in having the manager call an annual meeting. As the dispute in relation to the core issue was not able to be resolved, CAV agreed to assist a resident to run a case in VCAT to obtain a legal determination of the disputed calculation. This case was conducted in November and December 2009 and a partial decision of VCAT was not handed down until June 2010. The matter is not completed. VCAT has requested further submissions. In the interim, the matter has been listed for a further compulsory conference on a date to be determined.

In response to your specific questions:

1. CAV does not have the power to impose penalties. Only the Courts can make findings of a breach of the Act and the imposition of any penalty.
2. No breach of the legislation has been determined.
3. CAV awaits the decision of VCAT.
4. I am advised by CAV that there are few complaints lodged concerning the failure to call annual meetings or in relation to the calculation of the maintenance fee.
5. Disputes over GST calculations do not fall within CAV's jurisdiction. Residents should seek advice from the Australian Taxation Office.
6. Section 34 (3) and (4) of the Act requires the manager to produce "financial statements" audited by a registered company auditor. Accordingly, there is no power for me to demand an independent audit.

Education: schools — funding

2920. Ms ASHER to ask the Minister for Education —

- (1) For each of the years 2004–05 to 2009–10, what is the amount of recurrent expenditure and any annual or one-off funding for:
 - (a) Brighton Primary School;
 - (b) Brighton Secondary College;
 - (c) Hampton Primary School.
- (2) For each of the years 2004–05 to 2009–10, how much funding has been directed to:
 - (a) St Leonard's College in East Brighton;
 - (b) Star of the Sea College in Gardenvale;
 - (c) Brighton Haileybury College in East Brighton;
 - (d) Firbank Grammar in Brighton;
 - (e) Xavier College (Kostka Hall) in Brighton;
 - (f) Brighton Grammar in Brighton.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

All Victorian schools are required to report on their school's performance to the school community, including the school's financial activities. Annual reports for all Victorian schools are published annually on the State Register which is located on the Victorian Registration and Qualifications Authority website.

Public transport: bus service review

3021. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport who were the community members who requested bus lanes be installed along Doncaster Road as mentioned in the Manningham/Monash/Whitehorse Bus Service Review.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The Department of Transport is unable to provide this information due to privacy considerations.

Police and emergency services: Davey Street–Nepean Highway, Frankston — fixed camera offences

3026. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to fixed cameras installed at the intersection of Davey Street and the Nepean Highway in Frankston:

- (1) How many speeding offences have been detected since installation.
- (2) How many red light offences have been detected since installation.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Road Safety Camera at the intersection of Davey Street and the Nepean Highway in Frankston became operational from 1 June 2010.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3027. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during January 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In January 2010, there were 24 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In January 2010, 181 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

Please Note: Not all lanes were operational for speed and red light detection for January 2010.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3028. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during February 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In February 2010, there were 33 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In February 2010, 284 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

Please Note: Not all lanes were operational for speed and red light detection for February 2010.

**Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera offences**

3029. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during March 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In March 2010, there were 302 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In March 2010, 266 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

**Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera offences**

3030. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during April 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In April 2010, there were 221 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In April 2010, 158 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

**Police and emergency services: Main Street–Mornington-Tyabb Road–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera offences**

3031. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during January 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In January 2010, there were nil speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In January 2010, 50 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

Please Note: Speed detection was not operational until 1 February 2010.

**Police and emergency services: Main Street–Mornington-Tyabb Road–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera offences**

3032. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during February 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In February 2010, there were 149 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In February 2010, 22 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

**Police and emergency services: Main Street–Mornington-Tyabb Road–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera offences**

3033. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during March 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In March 2010, there were 291 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In March 2010, 65 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

Police and emergency services: Main Street–Mornington-Tyabb Road–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera offences

3034. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during April 2010:

- (1) How many speeding offences were detected by fixed cameras.
- (2) How many red light offences were detected by fixed cameras.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In April 2010, there were 217 speeding offences detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.
- (2) In April 2010, 49 red light offences were detected by fixed cameras at the intersection of Main Street, Mornington-Tyabb Road and the Nepean Highway in Mornington.

These numbers are subject to some variation over time as infringements can be cancelled and or reissued.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera infringement notices

3035. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to infringement notices issued during January 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington:

- (1) How many were appealed.
- (2) Of the notices that were appealed, what percentage were dismissed.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In relation to infringement notices issued during January 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington 32 infringement notices were subject to internal review by the Traffic Camera Office.
- (2) 94 per cent of the applications for review were dismissed.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera infringement notices

3036. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to infringement notices issued during February 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington:

- (1) How many were appealed.
- (2) Of the notices that were appealed, what percentage were dismissed.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In relation to infringement notices issued during February 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington, 59 infringement notices were subject to internal review by the Traffic Camera Office.
- (2) 95 per cent of the applications for review were dismissed.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera infringement notices

3037. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to infringement notices issued during March 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington:

- (1) How many were appealed.
- (2) Of the notices that were appealed, what percentage were dismissed.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In relation to infringement notices issued during March 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington 45 infringement notices were subject to internal review by the Traffic Camera Office.
- (2) 84 per cent of the applications for review were dismissed.

Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway, Mornington — fixed camera infringement notices

3038. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to infringement notices issued during April 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington:

- (1) How many were appealed.
- (2) Of the notices that were appealed, what percentage were dismissed.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) In relation to infringement notices issued during April 2010 from the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington 46 infringement notices were subject to internal review by the Traffic Camera Office.
- (2) 80 per cent of the applications for review were dismissed.

**Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments**

- 3039.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what timing adjustments were made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during January 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Issues such as the timing and the sequencing of the lights are the responsibility of the Minister for Roads and Ports.

**Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments**

- 3040.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what timing adjustments were made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during February 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Issues such as the timing and the sequencing of the lights are the responsibility of the Minister for Roads and Ports.

**Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments**

- 3041.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what timing adjustments were made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during March 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Issues such as the timing and the sequencing of the lights are the responsibility of the Minister for Roads and Ports.

**Police and emergency services: Bungower Road–Shandon Street–Nepean Highway,
Mornington — fixed camera timing adjustments**

- 3042.** Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what timing adjustments were made to the fixed cameras at the intersection of Bungower Road, Shandon Street and the Nepean Highway in Mornington during April 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Issues such as the timing and the sequencing of the lights are the responsibility of the Minister for Roads and Ports.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Bay Road, Cheltenham — red-light camera

3044. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services how many fines were imposed by red light cameras monitoring right hand turns at the intersection of the Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham during each of March, April and May 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

Fines for right hand turns against the red light traffic signal, (red light infringements) monitored by the road safety camera at the intersection of Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham for each month from March to May 2010: (by infringement notice issue date)

March 2010	April 2010	May 2010
365	479	390

Environment and climate change: fuel load — West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority

3090. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.
- Fuel loads will vary across the topography and vegetation type of an area, the time since the last fire and other factors. They are only one of a number of factors that determine priority areas for treatment, others include but are not limited to:-
 - the location and size of communities
 - the location and nature of infrastructure or industry
 - values and fuel on surrounding private land
 - environmental values; and
 - other community values
- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Environment and climate change: fuel load — Wimmera Catchment Management Authority

3091. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the Wimmera Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
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Environment and climate change: fuel load — Corangamite Catchment Management Authority

3092. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the Corangamite Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.

- Fuel loads will vary across the topography and vegetation type of an area, the time since the last fire and other factors. They are only one of a number of factors that determine priority areas for treatment, others include but are not limited to:-
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- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Environment and climate change: fuel load — East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority

3093. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.
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- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Environment and climate change: fuel load — Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority

3094. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.
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Environment and climate change: fuel load — Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority

3095. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.

- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.
- Fuel loads will vary across the topography and vegetation type of an area, the time since the last fire and other factors. They are only one of a number of factors that determine priority areas for treatment, others include but are not limited to:-
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- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Environment and climate change: fuel load — Mallee Catchment Management Authority

3096. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the Mallee Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
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Environment and climate change: fuel load — North Central Catchment Management Authority

3097. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the North Central Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.
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- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Environment and climate change: fuel load — North East Catchment Management Authority

3098. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the North East Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
- Selection of areas for inclusion in the FOP and the subsequent prioritisation of burning operations are focused on areas of high bushfire risk. The FOP is open for public comment and feedback each year before final approval.

- Fuel loads will vary across the topography and vegetation type of an area, the time since the last fire and other factors. They are only one of a number of factors that determine priority areas for treatment, others include but are not limited to:-
 - the location and size of communities
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 - values and fuel on surrounding private land
 - environmental values; and
 - other community values
- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Environment and climate change: fuel load — Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority

- 3099.** Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Energy and Resources for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change what was the fuel load in each of the national parks in the Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority area in each of 2009 and 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- DSE undertakes fire management planning and operations across State Forests, National Parks and Protected Public Land across Victoria. Parks Victoria is a key partner to DSE in this fire management program.
- Planned burning is the primary tool for reducing fuel levels, (and hence risk) on public land.
- DSE prepares Fire Operations Plans (FOP) (an annual works plan) to implement strategies contained in Fire Protection Plans, across the State on an annual basis.
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- DSE and Parks Victoria are working closely with the CFA and local government as part of the Integrated Fire Management Planning framework to ensure that the level of risk is identified at local and regional levels, and that appropriate actions are identified to reduce that risk. This will include consideration of fuel loads and fuel hazards on public land and subsequent planned burning programs.

Police and emergency services: question on notice 2885

3112. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to question on notice 2885:

- (1) When will the Minister provide an answer.
- (2) What is the reason for the delay in answering.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to Question on Notice LA2885, the response was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 10 August 2010.

Regional and rural development: trading training centre — Mildura

3123(c). Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Regional and Rural Development what action has been or will be taken by the Minister to support the Mildura Trade Training Centres in Schools Mildura Consortium's application to round three of the Commonwealth Government's Building the Education Revolution program.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The Trade Training Centres and the Building the Education Revolution program falls within the portfolio responsibility for the Minister for Education and Skills and Workforce Participation.

Public transport: rail — performance

3148. Mr MULDER to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport for each of the 15 metropolitan electrified lines and the Frankston and Stony Point line, how many trains, upon arrival at their terminal station for each month between December 2009 and May 2010 inclusive, and for each day between 1 June 2010 and 23 June 2010 inclusive, were:

- (1) Operated.
- (2) Cancelled.
- (3) Delayed for five minutes or more.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

(1-3) The Track Record quarterly bulletin provides a comprehensive report on the performance, punctuality and reliability of Victoria's public transport services. Track Record is available online at www.transport.vic.gov.au/trackrecord.

A supplementary bulletin providing line-by-line punctuality and reliability information is released monthly.

Public transport: trams — performance

3149. Mr MULDER to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport for each tram route operated by Yarra Trams, how many trams, upon arrival at their terminus for each month

between December 2009 and May 2010 inclusive, and for each day between 1 June 2010 and 23 June 2010 inclusive, were:

- (1) Operated.
- (2) Cancelled.
- (3) Delayed for five minutes or more, average of the electronic monitoring points.
- (4) Delayed for five minutes or more.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

(1-4) The Track Record quarterly bulletin provides a comprehensive report on the performance, punctuality and reliability of Victoria's public transport services. Track Record is available online at www.transport.vic.gov.au/trackrecord.

A supplementary bulletin providing line-by-line punctuality and reliability information is released monthly.

Police and emergency services: question on notice 3112

3170. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to unanswered question on notice 3112:

- (1) When will the Minister provide an answer.
- (2) What is the reason for the delay in answering.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

With reference to Question on Notice LA3112, the response has been prepared for tabling in the Legislative Assembly.

Corrections: prisoners — mental health

3300. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Corrections what percentage of prisoners were assessed as having mental illness upon entering prison:

- (1) In 2009.
- (2) Between 1 January 2010 and 30 June 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

- (1) Justice Health reports that in 2009, the percentage of prisoners who were assessed as having a psychiatric condition on reception was 30.7 per cent.
- (2) Between 1 January 2010 and 30 June 2010, the percentage of prisoners who were assessed as having a psychiatric condition on reception was 34.0 per cent.

Health: Manningham Community Health Service — funding

3328. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Health how much money was provided to the Manningham Community Health Service for its programs in 2009–10.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Manningham Community Health Service Ltd has been funded \$2 768 045.96 in the 2009–10 financial year.

This includes funding from Home and Community Care, Primarily and Community Health and Early Childhood Intervention Services. As Manningham Community Health Service Ltd is an independent agency it may receive funding from other sources.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Bay Road, Cheltenham — red-light camera

3420. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Honourable the Minister for Police & Emergency Services how many fines were imposed by red light cameras monitoring right hand turns at the intersection of the Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham during July 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

370 infringements notices were issued in July 2010 for right hand turns against the red traffic signal monitored by the road safety camera at the intersection of Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham.

Police and emergency services: Nepean Highway–Bay Road, Cheltenham — red-light camera

3433. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Honourable the Minister for Police & Emergency Services how many fines were imposed by red light cameras monitoring right hand turning traffic at the intersection of Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham in August 2010.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

395 infringements notices were issued in August 2010 for right hand turns against the red traffic signal monitored by the road safety camera at the intersection of Nepean Highway and Bay Road in Cheltenham.

Public transport: bus service review

3475. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the Frankston/Mornington Peninsula Bus Service Review (November 2009) that shows for Route No 773 there are 3657 dwellings in the catchment for the current route, and 5511 dwellings in the catchment for the proposed route:

How many dwellings within the catchment for Bus Route 773 are located within 400 metres of public transport on the:

- (1) Current route.
- (2) Proposed route.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The assessment of the number of dwellings within the catchment of the current and the proposed routes uses a 400-metre catchment from the line of route. Therefore the dwelling numbers mentioned are the number of dwellings within 400 metres of the route.

Public transport: bus service review

3476. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the Frankston/Mornington Peninsula Bus Service Review (November 2009) that shows for Route No 781 there are 12 967 dwellings in the catchment for the current route, and 16 843 dwellings in the catchment for the proposed route:

How many dwellings within the catchment for Bus Route 781 are located within 400 metres of public transport on the:

- (1) Current route.
- (2) Proposed route.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The assessment of the number of dwellings within the catchment of the current and the proposed routes uses a 400-metre catchment from the line of route. Therefore the dwelling numbers mentioned are the number of dwellings within 400 metres of the route.

Public transport: bus service review

3477. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the Frankston/Mornington Peninsula Bus Service Review (November 2009) that shows for Route No 784 there are 14 282 dwellings in the catchment for the current route, and 14 206 dwellings in the catchment for the proposed route:

How many dwellings within the catchment for Bus Route 784 are located within 400 metres of public transport on the:

- (1) Current route.
- (2) Proposed route.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The assessment of the number of dwellings within the catchment of the current and the proposed routes uses a 400-metre catchment from the line of route. Therefore the dwelling numbers mentioned are the number of dwellings within 400 metres of the route.

Public transport: bus service review

3478. Mr MORRIS to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the Frankston/Mornington Peninsula Bus Service Review (November 2009) that shows for Route No 785 there are 14,629 dwellings in the catchment for the current route, and 14,497 dwellings in the catchment for the proposed route:

How many dwellings within the catchment for Bus Route 785 are located within 400 metres of public transport on the:

- (1) Current route.
- (2) Proposed route.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The assessment of the number of dwellings within the catchment of the current and the proposed routes uses a 400-metre catchment from the line of route. Therefore the dwelling numbers mentioned are the number of dwellings within 400 metres of the route.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

*Answers to the following questions on notice were circulated on the date shown.
Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Assembly.
Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.
The portfolio of the minister answering the question on notice starts each heading.*

Thursday, 7 October 2010

Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission: State Revenue Office — media and communications staff

- 2250.** Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer — with reference to officers engaged in communications, including public, corporate and media relations at the State Revenue Office —
- (1) As at 30 June 2009 —
 - (a) how many officers were there;
 - (b) what was the salary band for each officer;
 - (c) what was the job title for each officer.
 - (2) What additional items, assets and services were purchased in 2008–09 which led to an increase in Total Public Sector Debt.
 - (3) What additional items, assets and services will be purchased, leading to an increase in Total Public Sector Debt in —
 - (a) 2009–10;
 - (b) 2010–11;
 - (c) 2011–12.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) As at 30 June 2009 —
 - a. There were 6 officers engaged in communications related activities at the State Revenue Office;
 - b. As there were only 6 officers it is inappropriate to disclose the salaries on the grounds of privacy but salaries are within the market levels for comparable positions; and
 - c. The job title for each officer was as follows:
 - Branch Manager — Corporate Affairs;
 - Corporate Relations Adviser;
 - Senior Communications Officer — Web Writer (six-month term);
 - Senior Communications Officer — Design;
 - Senior Communications Officer — Website Coordinator; and
 - Senior Communications Officer — Writer.

In regards to question (2) and (3), I have already answered these questions from you at Public Accounts and Estimates Committee hearing.

Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission: Department of Treasury and Finance — expenditure

2720. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer — with reference to the Department of Treasury and Finance:

- (1) What was the advertising expenditure for 2009.
- (2) What was the credit card expenditure for 2009.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Advertising costs, if any, will be included in the annual report that was tabled in Parliament in September 2010. Use of purchasing cards or credit cards form part of the costs of administration and I further refer the Member to the detailed financial statements contained in the annual reports that were tabled in Parliament in September 2010.

Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission: Treasurer — ministerial staff

2734. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer — how many full time equivalent ministerial staff did the Treasurer have in relation to all of his ministerial capacities as at 31 December 2009.

ANSWER:

The Treasurer's ministerial office is comprised of a number of advisers, administrative and support and departmental staff.

Police and emergency services: Victoria Police — IBM contract

2748. Mr RYAN to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — with reference to cumulative value variations exceeding 10 per cent by October 1999, and 14 per cent by October 2000, of the value of the original contract signed by Victoria Police and IBM in February 1999 to provide IT services:

- (1) At the time the contract variations were made, did the Victorian Government Purchasing Board have a requirement to re-evaluate and re-approve any contract where the cumulative value of contract variations exceeded 10 per cent of the original value.
- (2) Was the contract subject to formal re-evaluation and re-approval; if not, why not.
- (3) Was an audit of the contract conducted by the Auditor-General's Office in 2002; if so, what were the conclusions of the audit.
- (4) Did the Minister continue to sign and authorise contract variations in breach of Government policy; if so, when was the Minister informed of this breach.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The Victoria Police contract with IBM as sole provider was in place at the time of the election of this Government in November 1999. I understand that this contract was entered into at a time when different rules applied to the engagement of contractors, which enabled service contracts to be made based on market rates rather than fixed price contracts.

The arrangement with IBM was found to be unsatisfactory and was the subject of an extensive examination by the Auditor-General, the report of which was tabled in the Parliament in May 2003. This audit identified unapproved variations totalling \$85.9 million.

The Victoria Police Information Technology Services were re-tendered in March 2004, resulting in a service provided under four towers by a range of service providers.

These arrangements have been the subject of review and reporting subsequently, including by the Ombudsman and the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.

Public transport: rail — Frankston line

2854. **Mr MORRIS** to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the Frankston railway line:

- (1) What is the percentage of commuters travelling during peak hour times from Monday to Friday from the city to Moorabbin in comparison to commuters who continue on from Moorabbin through to Frankston.
- (2) Has the Government investigated the cost to duplicate the rail line both north and south bound between Moorabbin and Frankston:
 - (a) if so, what are the cost estimations;
 - (b) if not; when will the Government investigate.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

1. The percentage of passengers boarding at stations from Moorabbin to South Yarra (inclusive) in the weekday AM peak period (7.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.) is approximately 45 per cent, with the remaining 55 per cent boarding between Highett and Frankston. It is reasonable to assume that the alighting patterns in the PM peak are similar.
2. Duplication of the rail line both north and south bound between Moorabbin and Frankston is currently considered to be cost prohibitive within the context of other public transport priorities.

Public transport: Mildura casino development

2893. **Mr CRISP** to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the proposed Mildura Jewel Casino development on land currently occupied by the Mildura Railway Station:

Has John Haddad or anyone else representing the casino approached the Minister or his department over utilisation of the land currently occupied by rail infrastructure; if so, what is the state of these negotiations.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

No.

Roads and ports: cycling

2898. **Mr THOMPSON** (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports with reference to the Minister's statement in *The Age* in June 2009 that 'cycling is becoming a legitimate form of transport':

- (1) What kind of transport is it now.
- (2) Does the Minister have a plan for the legitimisation of cycling as a form of transport and exercise; if so, what is the plan.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The Brumby Government committed \$115 million in improvements to cycling infrastructure through the *Victorian Cycling Strategy* released in 2009. This includes new bicycle lanes and shared walking and cycling paths on priority bicycle routes, a public bike hire scheme for Melbourne's CBD — Melbourne Bike Share — and improvements to rail trails and walking paths in rural areas.

Since coming to office, the Brumby Government has built more than 1000 kilometres of on-road and off-road bicycle routes. In comparison the previous government built a mere 330 kilometres of bike paths.

The Brumby Government is building a better transport system and we understand how important cycling is as a viable, sustainable and accessible travel option.

Roads and ports: cycling

2899. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports with reference to the Minister's statement in *The Age* in June 2009 that cycling comes with increased responsibility:

- (1) To what responsibility is the Minister referring.
- (2) Why is it necessary for the responsibility to be increased.
- (3) Is increased responsibility crucial to the legitimacy of cycling in Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The Brumby Government committed \$115 million in improvements to cycling infrastructure through the *Victorian Cycling Strategy* released in 2009. This includes new bicycle lanes and shared walking and cycling paths on priority bicycle routes, a public bike hire scheme for Melbourne's CBD — Melbourne Bike Share — and improvements to rail trails and walking paths in rural areas.

Under the Road Legislation Amendment Act 2009 new penalties were introduced, including for dangerous riding offences and for cyclists who damage property and flee.

The Brumby Government has responded to the concerns of the community and is taking action to improve safety on Victoria's roads for the benefit of all road users.

Public transport: rail — Sandringham line

2904. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport with reference to the 7.19 a.m. train on 7 April 2010 from North Brighton Station that broke down at Balaclava:

- (1) What was the cause of the failure.
- (2) Why did all passengers have to alight.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

- (1) The cause of the failure was a platform overshoot.
- (2) Following the overshoot, the train terminated as a passenger service at Balaclava, and was taken for brake compliance testing.

Public transport: on-train announcements

2921. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport —

- (1) With reference to the malfunction of announcement tapes on the Sandringham line on 22 April 2010 where announcements regarding the next station and connections for other lines were in reverse order, when will these faults be rectified.
- (2) How many complaints has the Minister received in relation to the public announcements on suburban trains.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

- (1) Without further information on the train service number and time of fault, Metro is unable to advise on the rectification of the specific fault raised.
- (2) Ministerial correspondence is not recorded by the category requested. To identify items of correspondence by the category specified would require significant resources and cannot be justified at this time.

Roads and ports: rail — Frankston line

3138. Mr THOMPSON (*Sandringham*) to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport what was the cause of the delay that resulted in the 6.26 p.m. Frankston train remaining stationary at Caulfield Station for over an hour and a half on 24 May 2010.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

Metro advises that the disruption was due to a points system fault. A set of points, which allow trains to transfer from one track to another, became stuck and required a maintenance crew to attend to rectify the fault.

Public transport: rail — sleeper replacement

3153. Mr CRISP to ask the Minister for Road and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport will replacement sleepers laid for track maintenance on the Mildura rural corridor track be red gum.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

Replacement sleepers for track maintenance in general are on a like for like basis. The Mildura rural corridor track utilises red gum sleepers for maintenance purposes. However, there are some concrete sleepers utilised on bridges and level crossings.

Public transport: light and heavy rail — city of Manningham

3340. Ms WOOLDRIDGE to ask the Minister for Roads and Ports for the Minister for Public Transport what commitment has the Government given the Manningham City Council regarding the provision of light and heavy rail in Manningham.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

The Government accepts the view of the Eddington report that public transport access from Doncaster to central Melbourne needs to be improved and the quickest and most flexible way to do this is with rapid and regular bus services.

The 2009–10 State Budget provided \$112.1 million to implement the Doncaster Area Rapid Transit System, which will upgrade four Eastern Freeway bus routes to SmartBus standards. Further details are available online at www.transport.vic.gov.au.

Treasurer: Land Tax Hardship Relief Board — entertainment expenses

3453. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer with reference to the Land Tax Hardship Relief Board’s entertainment expenses for 2009–10:

- (1) What was the total cost incurred.
- (2) What are the itemised details of all expenditure in excess of \$500, including:
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) cost;
 - (c) number of guests;
 - (d) purpose;
 - (e) name of service provider.

ANSWER:

I am informed that no entertainment expenses were incurred by the Land Tax Hardship Relief Board in 2009/10.

Treasurer: Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria — entertainment expenses

3454. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer with reference to the Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria’s entertainment expenses for 2009–10:

- (1) What was the total cost incurred.
- (2) What are the itemised details of all expenditure in excess of \$500, including:
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) cost;
 - (c) number of guests;
 - (d) purpose;
 - (e) name of service provider.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Thank you for your request, however the day to day operations of the Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria are handled by its Chief Executive Officer.

Treasurer: Office of the Administrator (SECV, Vicpower Trading) — entertainment expenses

3458. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer what are the details of the Office of the Administrator’s (State Electricity Commission of

Victoria, Vicpower Trading) entertainment expenses in excess of \$500 incurred during 2009–10, including:

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Number of guests.
- (4) Purpose.
- (5) Name of service provider.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Thank you for your request, however the day to day operations of the Office of the Administrator (SECV, Vicpower Trading) are handled by its Chief Executive Officer.

Treasurer: Victorian Funds Management Corporation — entertainment expenses

3459. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer what are the details of the Victorian Funds Management Corporation’s entertainment expenses in excess of \$500 incurred during 2009–10, including:

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Number of guests.
- (4) Purpose.
- (5) Name of service provider.

ANSWER:

Thank you for your request, however the day to day operations of the Victorian Funds Management Corporation (VFMC) are handled by its Chief Executive Officer.

Treasurer: State Trustees Ltd — entertainment expenses

3460. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer with reference to State Trustees Ltd’s entertainment expenses for 2009–10:

- (1) What was the total cost of expenses.
- (2) What are the itemised details of all expenditure in excess of \$500, including:
 - (a) date;
 - (b) cost;
 - (c) number of guests;
 - (d) purpose;
 - (e) name of service provider.

ANSWER:

Thank you for your request, however the day to day operations of the State Trustees are handled by its Chief Executive Officer.

Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission: Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria — media and communications staff

3463. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer — with reference to officers in the Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria who were engaged in communications, including public, corporate and media relations, for 2009–10:

- (1) How many officers were engaged.
- (2) What was the salary band for each officer.
- (3) What is the job title for each officer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that with reference to the Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria:

1. There were two officers, overseen by the CEO engaged in communications including public, corporate and media relations for 2009–10.
2. As there were only two officers it is inappropriate to disclose the salaries on the grounds of privacy but salaries are within market levels for comparable positions.
3. The titles are Marketing Manager and Marketing Assistant.

Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission: State Trustees Ltd — media and communications staff

3464. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer — with reference to officers in the State Trustees Ltd who were engaged in communications, including public, corporate and media relations, as at 30 June 2010:

- (1) How many officers were engaged.
- (2) What was the salary band for each officer.
- (3) What is the job title for each officer.

ANSWER:

I am informed that at 30 June 2010:

State Trustees Limited had three employees engaged in public, corporate and media relations.

As there were only 3 officers it is inappropriate to disclose the salaries on the grounds of privacy but salaries are within the market levels for comparable positions.

The job titles of these officers were:

- Manager, Communications and Change
- Media Adviser; and
- Communications Coordinator.

Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission: Treasurer — ministerial staff

3465. Mr WELLS to ask the Minister for Finance, WorkCover and the Transport Accident Commission for the Treasurer — as at 30 June 2010, how many ministerial staff, in full time equivalent terms, did the Treasurer have in relation to each of his ministerial capacities.

ANSWER:

The Treasurer's ministerial office is comprised of a number of advisers, administrative and support and departmental staff.