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**Tuesday, 6 May 2014**

**Police and emergency services: motorcycle noise**

**4748.** Ms KANIS to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — will the minister use noise cameras to help police identify motorcyclists who use illegal modifications to multiply the sound of their motorcycles on Flemington Road.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

Victoria Police does not use, or propose to use, noise cameras to detect noisy motorcycles on Victoria's roads.

**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**4875.** Ms KNIGHT to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — how many Ambulance Victoria paramedics are currently trained to use Complex Patient Ambulance Vehicles in Ballarat.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

Ambulance Victoria (AV) paramedics do not operate the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV); rather, the paramedics provide direct patient care while RFDS employees operate the vehicle. As such, there are no AV paramedics in Ballarat trained to use the CPAV.

However, 124 Ambulance Victoria paramedics have been trained to use complex patient ambulance vehicles state-wide.

I note that under the previous Labor government, after its 11 years of government there were no CPAV's available for use in Ballarat, the Ballarat region or the Grampians region. Only under a coalition government has a CPAV been made available through a contract with the RFDS.

**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**4876.** Ms KNIGHT to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — is the training provided to Royal Flying Doctor Service employees equivalent to the training provided to Ambulance Victoria employees for complex patient ambulance vehicles specific equipment.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

The training provided to Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) employees for complex patient ambulance vehicle equipment operation is equivalent to that provided to Ambulance Victoria employees. Ambulance Victoria provided the initial training to RFDS staff and also provided the RFDS with its training package for ongoing use.

**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**4877.** Ms **KNIGHT** to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — with reference to the Royal Flying Doctor Service complex patient ambulance vehicles (CPAV) in Ballarat:

- (1) How many times have Ambulance Victoria CPAV been called to Ballarat to provide emergency transfers.
- (2) Where did each vehicle travel from for each emergency transfer.
- (3) What was the response time for each emergency transfer.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

- (1) There have been no instances of Ambulance Victoria complex patient ambulance vehicle having been called to Ballarat in the last three months.
- (2) There have been no instances of Ambulance Victoria complex patient ambulance vehicle having been called to Ballarat in the last three months.
- (3) There have been no instances of Ambulance Victoria complex patient ambulance vehicle having been called to Ballarat in the last three months.

**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**4996.** Ms **KNIGHT** to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — how many Ballarat-based Royal Flying Doctor Service employees are currently trained to use complex patient ambulance vehicles.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

There are 12 Royal Flying Doctor Service staff based in Ballarat who are fully trained to operate the complex patient ambulance vehicles.

**Corrections: prison keys**

**4999.** Mr **PAKULA** to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the Minister for Corrections — what is the total number of incidents in which prison keys were lost or misplaced by prison officers in 2013.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

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**Corrections: prisoner transport**

**5001.** Mr **PAKULA** to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the Minister for Corrections — what was the total cost of prisoner transit services in 2011.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

The information sought is commercial in confidence.

**Corrections: prisoner transport**

**5002.** Mr PAKULA to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the Minister for Corrections — what was the total cost of prisoner transit services in 2012.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

The information sought is commercial in confidence.

**Corrections: prisoner transport**

**5003.** Mr PAKULA to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services for the Minister for Corrections — what was the total cost of prisoner transit services in 2013.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

The information sought is commercial in confidence.

**Education: national education reform**

**5077.** Mr BROOKS to ask the Minister for Education — with reference to the heads of agreement between the government and the commonwealth government on national education reform agreed to in August 2013:

- (1) Has the government met its obligations under clause 19 of the agreement to contribute \$5623 million from 1 January 2014.
- (2) Does the government remain committed to all aspects of the agreement; if not, what parts is it no longer committed to and what is the reason it is no longer committed.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed as follows:

- (1) On 5 August 2013, the Victorian government signed an historic \$12.2 billion funding agreement with the former commonwealth government to provide additional funding to all government and non-government schools in Victoria over six years. The Victorian government is on track to meet its 2014 obligations under clause 19 of the signed heads of agreement.
- (2) The Victorian government remains committed to the agreement as signed, and expects the commonwealth government to honour its funding commitment to Victorian schools over the next six years.

**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**5083.** Ms KNIGHT to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — has the minister received advice that the Royal Flying Doctor Service may withdraw the Ballarat-based complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV) from Ballarat.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

I have not received advice that the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) may withdraw the Ballarat-based complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV) from Ballarat.

In fact, commencing 3 March 2014 the RFDS CPAV, based in Ballarat, will commence 24/7 'on call' operations in the Grampians region.

I note that under the previous Labor government, after its 11 years of government there were no CPAV's available for use in Ballarat, the Ballarat region or the Grampians region. Only under a coalition government has a CPAV been made available through a contract with the RFDS.

**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**5084.** Ms KNIGHT to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — has the Department of Health received advice that the Royal Flying Doctor Service may withdraw the Ballarat-based complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV) from Ballarat.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

The Department of Health has not received advice that the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) may withdraw the Ballarat-based complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV) from Ballarat.

In fact, commencing 3 March 2014 the RFDS CPAV, based in Ballarat, will commence 24/7 'on call' operations in the Grampians region.

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**Health: complex patient ambulance vehicles**

**5085.** Ms KNIGHT to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — has Ambulance Victoria received advice that the Royal Flying Doctor Service may withdraw the Ballarat-based complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV) from Ballarat.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

Ambulance Victoria has not received advice that the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) may withdraw the Ballarat-based complex patient ambulance vehicle (CPAV) from Ballarat.

In fact, commencing 3 March 2014 the RFDS CPAV, based in Ballarat, will commence 24/7 'on call' operations in the Grampians region.

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**Health: Ambulance Victoria**

**5110.** Ms KNIGHT to ask the Minister for Mental Health for the Minister for Health — how many Ambulance Victoria branches have a gymnasium.

**ANSWER:**

I am informed that:

No Ambulance Victoria branches have a gymnasium.

**Police and emergency services: Country Fire Authority volunteers**

**5112.** Ms **KNIGHT** to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — what is the total number of active Country Fire Authority volunteers.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

The Country Fire Authority (CFA) Annual Report for 2012–13, reports on the number of operational and non-operational volunteers as at 30 June 2013.

**Attorney-General: judges**

**5113.** Ms **KNIGHT** to ask the Attorney-General — will a judge be permanently appointed to Ballarat, in place of the current circuit, before the next election.

**ANSWER:**

In accordance with our election commitment, once Court Services Victoria (CSV) is operational, the government will work with CSV to enable judges to be based in regional centres, such as Ballarat, on an ongoing basis.

Final decisions regarding the location of judges in regional centres will remain the responsibility of the County Court.



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**Wednesday, 7 May 2014**

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5091.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — what is the expected completion date of the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date for the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5092.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — is the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park on schedule to meet the expected completion date.

**ANSWER:**

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

The duplication of Hallam Road is on schedule to meet the expected completion date of 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5093.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — has the expected completion date for the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park remained the same throughout the project; if not, how many times has it been changed.

**ANSWER:**

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

At the commencement of the project, the expected completion date of the Hallam Road duplication was late 2013. With the onset of construction difficulties at the River Gum Creek culvert works, the overall completion date has been revised to 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5094.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — if the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park has been delayed, what is the cause.

**ANSWER:**

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

The cause of the delayed completion date relates specifically to the construction of the culvert structure at River Gum Creek. Construction of the culvert was originally due to commence in early 2013, however environmental challenges associated with retaining large abutting trees to the culvert, and associated permits, required the design

to be amended, which prohibited the works from commencing at that time. Furthermore, the presence of a large water main just beneath the drainage culverts further complicated the design and delayed construction. When construction of the culvert structure commenced in late 2013, substandard ground conditions at the base of the culvert were experienced, which further delayed the construction works.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5095.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — what action has the minister taken to ensure the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park meets the expected completion date.

**ANSWER:**

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

I receive regular reports on the progress of transport projects. In relation to the Hallam Road duplication, I am advised that the contractor has deployed additional resources to deliver the project.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5096.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — will the connection of Lynbrook Boulevard to Hallam Road in Hampton Park be completed in the first half of 2014 as previously advised.

**ANSWER:**

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

The connection of Lynbrook Boulevard to Hallam Road is expected to be completed by mid-2014.

The expected completion date for Hallam Road duplication is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5097.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — if the connection of Lynbrook Boulevard to Hallam Road in Hampton Park is not expected to be completed in the first half of 2014, what is the revised completion date.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date for Hallam Road duplication is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5098.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — what is the cause of any delays to delivering the connection of Lynbrook Boulevard to Hallam Road in Hampton Park in the first half of 2014.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date for Hallam Road duplication is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5099.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — has the reconstruction of the existing road surface between Coral Drive and Ormond Road in Hampton Park begun.

**ANSWER:**

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

The reconstruction of the existing road surface on Hallam Road between Coral Drive and Ormond Road has begun. It is noted that a large part of the existing pavement in this section is being retained, with an asphalt overlay of the existing road surface to be placed.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5100.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — what is the expected completion date of the reconstruction of the existing road surface between Coral Drive and Ormond Road, Hampton Park.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date of the reconstruction of the existing road surface on Hallam Road between Coral Drive and Ormond Road is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5101.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — has the new median at the Fordholm Road and Coral Drive intersection in Hampton Park been completed.

**ANSWER:**

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

The new median at the Fordholm Road and Coral Drive intersection has been constructed, with the exception of the placement of concrete within the new traffic islands.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5102.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — if the new median at the Fordholm Road and Coral Drive intersection in Hampton Park is yet to be completed, what is the expected completion date.

**ANSWER:**

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

The new median at the Fordholm Road and Coral Drive intersection is complete, with the exception of the placement of concrete within the new traffic islands. The expected completion date for outstanding works is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5103.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — has the construction of new traffic lanes at the Pound and Hallam Roads intersection in Hampton Park begun.

**ANSWER:**

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

The construction of the new traffic lanes at the Pound Road and Hallam Road intersection has commenced. The new right turn lanes on Pound Road have been constructed, however they are not open to traffic at this stage due to other staging works required at the intersection.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5104.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — what is the expected completion date of new traffic lanes at the Pound and Hallam Roads intersection in Hampton Park.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date of the new traffic lanes at the Pound Road and Hallam Road intersection is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5105.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — what is the expected completion date of the new wider drainage crossing for Rivergum Creek under the new southbound lanes of Hallam Road in Hampton Park.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date for Hallam Road duplication is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5108.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — if the road surfacing of the new southbound carriageway of Hallam Road in Hampton Park is yet to be completed, what is the expected completion date.

**ANSWER:**

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

The expected completion date for Hallam Road duplication is 2014.

**Roads: Hallam Road upgrade**

**5109.** Ms **GRALEY** to ask the Minister for Roads — will the duplication of Hallam Road between Pound Road and Ormond Road in Hampton Park be delivered for the budgeted \$38 million.

**ANSWER:**

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

The final cost of the project will be determined when the project is completed.

**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, 8 May 2014**

**Racing: ministerial staffing**

**4781.** Mr PAKULA to ask the Minister for Racing — what is the total number of staff, and their position titles, employed in the minister’s office as at:

- (1) 30 June 2011.
- (2) 30 June 2012.
- (3) 30 June 2013.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

Further to Legislative Council question on notice no. 336, the following information is provided.

The total number of full time equivalent ministerial staff employed in the private offices of all ministers and parliamentary secretaries for the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 is summarised as follows:

Minister	30 June 2010	Minister	30 June 2011	30 June 2012	30 June 2013
Premier’s Office	52	Premier’s Office	48	41	39.4
Hon. Jacinta Allan	8	Hon. Louise Asher	5	5	5
Hon. Daniel Andrews	9	Hon. Robert Clark	5	5	6.4
Hon. Peter Batchelor	9	Hon. Richard Dalla-Riva	4	5	
Hon. Bob Cameron	7	Hon. David Davis	5	6	6
Hon. Lily D’Ambrosio	6	Hon. Hugh Delahunty	4	4	5
Hon. Joe Helper	8	Hon. Martin Dixon	2	5	5
Hon. Tim Holding	12	Hon. Matthew Guy	3.6	3.6	5.6
Hon. Rob Hulls	9	Hon. Peter Hall	4	4	3
Hon. Gavin Jennings	9	Hon Nicholas Kotsiras	5	6	7
Hon. John Lenders	10	Hon. Wendy Lovell	3	5	5
Hon. Justin Madden	9	Hon. Andrew McIntosh / Hon. Edward O’Donohue	3.8	5	6
Hon. James Merlino	7	Hon. Terry Mulder	2	4	4
Hon. Maxine Morand	6	Hon. Denis Napthine / Hon. David Hodgett	5	5	5
Hon. Lisa Neville	8	Hon. Michael O’Brien	5	5	5

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Minister	30 June 2010	Minister	30 June 2011	30 June 2012	30 June 2013
Hon. Martin Pakula	8	Hon. Jeanette Powell	4	4	4
Hon. Tim Pallas	8	Hon. Gordon Rich-Phillips	3	4	5
Hon. Bronwyn Pike	9	Hon. Peter Ryan	9.6	8.6	10.9
Hon. Tony Robinson	8	Hon. Ryan Smith	5	5	6
Hon. Richard Wynne	8	Hon. Peter Walsh	5	4	5.5
Cabinet Parl. Sec	2	Hon. Kim Wells	3	2.8	4.8
		Hon. Mary Wooldridge	4	6	6
		Hon. Heidi Victoria			6
	<b>212</b>		<b>138</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>155.6</b>

**Racing: ministerial staffing**

**4782.** Mr PAKULA to ask the Minister for Racing — what is the total number of staff (including ministerial staff and staff seconded from other departments) that have worked in the minister’s private office at any time between 2 December 2010 and 30 June 2013, and what were their position titles.

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that:

Please refer to Legislative Assembly question on notice no. 4781.