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- 1 MS CASTLEY: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
 - (1) What are the government-owned pools in Canberra.
 - (2) Have all of the pools referred to in part (1) reopened since closing due to COVID-19.
 - (3) When did all the pools referred to in part (1) close and when did each pool reopen.
 - (4) Has the Gungahlin Leisure Centre's 50 metre pool reopened; if not, why not.
 - (5) What is the problem with the 50 metre pool referred to in part (4).
 - (6) What work was done when the Gungahlin 50 metre pool was closed for two months last year and how much did it cost taxpayers.
 - (7) Has any work been done on the Gungahlin 50 metre pool this year; if so, what has been done and how much has it cost.
 - (8) What repair work needs to be done and why.
 - (9) Are there problems with the pool's foundations.
 - (10) How much will the repair work cost.
 - (11) Who has been contracted to do the work and can the Minister provide details of the contract.

- (12) When will the work (a) begin and (b) finish.
- (13) Where will the money come from and has money been allocated from the Budget for the work.
- (14) When will the pool reopen for the Gungahlin community.
- (15) What information has been provided to the Gungahlin community about the pool's closure and when was the last information given.
- (16) Who is taking responsibility for fixing Gungahlin's pool.
- (17) If the pool cannot be used again, will a new 50 metre public pool be built in Gungahlin; if so, what is the timeframe and how much will it cost.
- MS LEE: To ask the Chief Minister—In relation to the 19 initiatives listed on pages 26-27 of the Pre-election Budget Update on design work and feasibility, of which 12 have received funding for feasibility studies and seven have received funding for design work, (a) what is the cost of each of the 12 projects that received funding for a feasibility study, (b) what is the cost of each of the seven projects that received funding for design work, (c) what is the scope of each of these studies, (d) who undertook this work, (e) how were they contracted, (f) what is the timeframe for completion, (g) how many have been started, (h) how many have been completed and (i) when will a decision be made as to whether they proceed to implementation.
- 3 MS LAWDER: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) Can the Minister advise how many applications were submitted for a 'sexually entire animal permit' in (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2018-2019, (c) 2017-2018 and (d) 2016-2017.
 - (2) Of the applications referred to in part (1), how many were unsuccessful.
 - (3) Can the Minister provide the total cost associated with obtaining a 'sexually entire animal permit' in (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2018-2019, (c) 2017-2018 and (d) 2016-2017.
 - (4) Can the Minister advise how many applications for a breeders license were submitted in (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2018-2019, (c) 2017-2018 and (d) 2016-2017.
 - (5) Of the applications referred to in part (4), how many were unsuccessful.
 - (6) Can the Minister provide the total cost associated with obtaining a breeders license in (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2018-2019, (c) 2017-2018 and (d) 2016-2017.
 - (7) Can the Minister advise what the average infringement cost was for individuals caught with an animal that has not been de-sexed in the relevant timeframe and without a permit in (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2018-2019, (c) 2017-2018 and (d) 2016-2017.

- 4 MS LAWDER: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) How many playgrounds are there throughout Canberra.
 - (2) Of these playgrounds, can the Minister advise how many have (a) shade sails, (b) tables/benches, (c) drinking fountains, (d) rubbish bins and (e) recycling bins.
- 5 MS LAWDER: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) How many local shopping centres are there in Canberra suburbs.
 - (2) Of these local shops, can the Minister advise how many have (a) rubbish bins, (b) recycling bins, (c) public toilets and (d) drinking fountains.
- 6 **MS LAWDER**: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) How many infringements were issued under the *Domestic Animal Act* 2000, section 44, Dogs in Public Places in 2019-20.
 - (2) How many warnings were issued under the *Domestic Animal Act 2000,* section 44, Dogs in Public Places in 2019-20.
 - (3) How much was the average cost of an infringement issued under the *Domestic Animal Act 2000*, section 44, Dogs in Public Places was in (a) 2019-2020, (b) 2018-2019, (c) 2017-2018 and (d) 2016-2017.
- 7 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—What planning and provision has been made to provide charging facilities for electric buses at the City West bus layover.
- 8 MS CLAY: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) When were each of the ACT Government's identified principle cycling routes last inspected.
 - (2) In the most recent inspections of principle cycling routes, were any of those paths or path sections given a High or Very High risk rating; if so, can the Minister provide details, including which sections of which paths were identified as either High or Very High risk.
 - (3) Since the most recent inspection of each of the principle cycling routes, have any path sections that were given a High or Very High risk rating been repaired or replaced; if so, can the Minister provide details of which sections of which paths, and what type or repairs were conducted; if not, can the Minister provide details of which sections of which paths have not been repaired or replaced.
 - (4) Do all sections of the principle cycling routes comply with the Municipal Infrastructure Standard 05 Active Travel Facilities Design requirements for path widths; if not, can the Minister provide (a) details of which paths or path sections do not comply and (b) a cost estimate for upgrading the existing principle path network to this standard width within the next ten years.

- (5) Can the Minister provide information about when each principle route or sections of principle routes are due for re-inspection.
- (6) Can the Minister provide information about the methodology the directorate use to establish and assess acceptable path user volumes to manage path congestion.
- (7) Can the Minister provide information about the directorate's current assessment of congestion across the shared path network, broken down by each path and the relevant sections of each path, including information about which sections of which paths have not been assessed for congestion.
- (8) Can the Minister, for the entire shared path network, provide a list detailing (a) the directorate's priority list of scheduled upgrades, including repairs, replacement of sections, repaving, drainage upgrades etc, in priority order and (b) the missing links that have been identified across the network, and the priority order for addressing these.

9 MS CLAY: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—

- (1) How many new bike racks have been installed by the ACT Government across Canberra in each of the most recent three years that data is available for, broken down by region, or suburb level if possible.
- (2) Of the new installations referred to in part (1), how many were installed as a result of requests in 'Fix My Street' or other feedback or input from community members.
- (3) How many locations for new bike rack installations were identified solely by ACT Government staff.
- (4) What mechanisms are available for Canberra residents to contact the ACT Government to make a suggestion about the installation of additional bike racks, or bike rack locations.
- (5) What efforts have been made by the ACT Government to inform the public about how they can contribute to this process.
- (6) Have improvements to this process been considered, such as through the 'Fix My Street' website.
- (7) What is the average cost per installation for a new bike rack.
- (8) How is demand and use of bike racks assessed to determine whether additional bike racks are needed.

10 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Chief Minister—

- (1) What negotiations were held between Icon water and Telstra to facilitate the construction of mobile reception tower at the Lower Molonglo water Quality Control Centre.
- (2) What was the final cost to the ACT Government in constructing this tower
- (3) What is the breakdown of this cost.
- (4) Did either Icon Water or Telstra contribute financially to the cost of the tower; if so, what was their financial contribution.

- (5) What factors were considered in the placement of the tower to ensure optimal coverage.
- (6) Was a feasibility study commissioned to determine the feasibility and need of the tower; if so, can the Chief Minister provide the document.
- (7) How long was the process to completion and activation of the tower.

11 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Chief Minister—

- (1) When is West Macgregor scheduled to receive 5G cell reception.
- (2) How many cells will be placed within the area.
- (3) Where will these cells be placed.
- (4) What factors will be considered in the placement of these cells to ensure optimal coverage.
- (5) Is the rollout of 5G reception cells being handled by the NBN; if not, which organisation is being contracted by the ACT Government to provide 5G cell reception.
- (6) What is the cost of that contract.
- (7) Will there be any cost to the ACT Government for the installation of 5G in West Macgregor; if so, what is the cost.

12 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Education and Youth Affairs—

- (1) In relation to language instruction at Belconnen High School and the three primary schools that share its priority enrolment area (PEA), when was the decision made to cease teaching Indonesian and French at Belconnen High School.
- (2) Who was consulted regarding this decision before it was made, and when/where did these consultations take place.
- (3) When and how were residents within Belconnen High School's PEA informed of this change.
- (4) What public options exist for families who live in the Belconnen High School PEA where children wish to continue their studies in Indonesian or French at high school.
- (5) Noting the Government's Curriculum Requirements in ACT Public Schools (P-10) Policy 2009 requires all high schools in the Territory are to provide a language program of 150+ minutes per week to students in years 7–8 in one of eight priority languages: French; German; Italian; Spanish; Indonesian; Japanese; Mandarin; and/or Korean and that Belconnen High School no longer complies with this requirement, why has a decision been taken that now makes Belconnen High School non-compliant with government policy.
- (6) Does this non-compliance in any way increase the enrolment options for families where children wish to be able to continue their language studies; if so, in what way/s, for example, is enrolment preference given to such families at schools outside of their PEA.

- (7) What steps will the ACT Government take to bring Belconnen High School back into compliance with this policy and when will this be complete.
- 13 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Housing and Suburban Development—
 - (1) Noting the Parliamentary and Government Agreement between ACT Labor and the ACT Greens includes a commitment to 'develop youth specific social housing services, such as the Government's previously announced commitment to a youth foyer at CIT Woden', can the Minister provide detailed plans for this 'youth foyer', including its design, operation, intended function, cost to build, and cost to operate.
 - (2) What other youth-specific social housing services are included in this commitment, including possible location, intended users, costs, and etc.
- 14 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Planning and Land Management—
 - (1) Who is the current leaseholder of the McKellar shops site.
 - (2) On what date was the current lease obtained.
- 15 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Planning and Land Management—
 - (1) Noting that the detached housing blocks on the eastern side of Lionel Rose Street, Holt, are compact blocks, only 12.5 metres wide, resulting in minimum side boundary setbacks of nil and a minimum rear boundary setback of 3m, according to Table 7 of the ACT Government's Single Dwelling Housing Development Code and that Rule 37A of this code, however, requires that 'a daytime living area is provided with a minimum 4m2 of transparent vertical glazing that is oriented between 45° east of north and 45° west of north'. For a structure built on one of these blocks, the only wall that could allow for the required solar access would be the north-facing side wall. In reality, this is impossible because the northfacing side walls on all but corner blocks are contiguous with the southfacing side walls of neighbouring structures and therefore have no solar access, on what grounds did the ACT Government give approval to a housing development mainly comprised of compact blocks that cannot physically comply with Rule 37A of the Single Dwelling Housing Development Code.
 - (2) In relation to detached houses already built on the eastern side of Lionel Rose Street, Holt, was a blanket exemption to Rule 37A given to these structures, or was each required to seek an individual exemption.
 - (3) If each structure was required to seek an individual exemption, what was the process of seeking an exemption in each case, and how was the assessment carried out.
 - (4) Why has the ACT Government begun enforcing compliance with this rule for owners of as-yet undeveloped blocks, in light of the fact that many houses that do not comply with Rule 37A have already been built on these blocks.

(5) Can the Minister provide a clear description of how a dwelling built on a non-corner compact block on the eastern side of Lionel Rose Street, Holt, can structurally comply with the minimum rear boundary setback of three metres and Rule 37A regarding solar access.

16 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Planning and Land Management—

- (1) Noting that certain residents in Lionel Rose Street, Holt, purchased blocks and built homes without any knowledge of the 330kV transmission lines that would be erected directly behind their properties because the ACT Government failed to include the development application for this major infrastructure project on the official lease conveyancing reports. Leaseholders have been informed that at least some of their residential fences must now be earthed to avoid the risk of induced voltage. Also noting that in question on Notice No 2915 (Ninth Assembly) I asked, 'Who will pay for rectification work to residents' fences that require earthing' and in response, I was told that 'the ACT Government is engaging with the utility around responsibilities'. Further noting that on 14 September 2020, residents were informed via an email from the utility that 'in principle, the earthing of fences in these circumstances is the responsibility of the property owner, however given the history of this matter we have been in consultation with the ACT government in an attempt to assist landowners. We will follow up this matter in coming weeks and will provide an update'. The 330kV transmission lines have been live since at least 4 November 2020, according to the utility and an audit identified certain lengths of fence located on residential blocks in Lionel Rose Street that needed to be earthed, have all these lengths of fence been earthed now; if so, on which date/s were they earthed; if not, why not.
- (2) Why is it the responsibility of property owners to earth fences on their properties that were safe from induced voltage before the construction of high-voltage transmission lines directly behind their houses.
- (3) Who has paid or will pay for the earthing of these fences, and how much was/is the total cost, and if shared, how much did/will each party pay.

- (1) What facilities make up the transitional release centre at the Alexander Maconochie Centre.
- (2) At what point in an inmate's sentence are they transferred to the transitional release centre.
- (3) What additional freedoms and or privileges are afforded to inmates in the transitional release centre.
- (4) What other criteria are factored into determining the eligibility of an inmate being transferred to the transitional release centre.
- (5) How many individuals can the transitional release centre hold.
- (6) How many of these spaces are dedicated to (a) males and (b) females
- (7) Is the transitional release centre only available to males; if so, why.

(8) How many individuals are in the transitional release centre as of 3 December 2020

18 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What steps are taken to discipline the perpetrator in cases where bullying by an inmate to another inmate has been identified at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What steps are taken to discipline the perpetrator in cases where assault upon an inmate to another inmate has been identified at the AMC.
- (3) What is the name of the document that such cases are recorded in.

19 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What is the highest level of qualification an inmate can study within the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What education institutions does the AMC partner with to deliver these high level qualifications.

20 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What paid work options are available for inmates inside the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What are the different award rates for each paid job available to inmates.
- (3) How many paid work hours are done by inmates in total per week (a) within and (b) outside the AMC.
- (4) How many paid work hours are worked in each by inmates, broken down by job roles.
- (5) How many inmates, as a number and percentage, are engaged in paid work (a) inside and (b) outside the facility
- (6) How does an inmate apply for a paid position within the facility.
- (7) Is there a waiting list for any paid position in the facility; if so, what job roles have waiting lists and how many inmates are on that waiting list as of 3 December 2020.
- (8) Is there a waiting list for any paid position outside the facility; if so, what job roles have waiting lists and how many inmates are on that waiting list as of 3 December 2020.

- (1) Are there any firearms within the AMC or within the grounds of the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC); if so, how many are there.
- (2) How often are they inspected for security and maintenance.
- (3) How many staff are qualified in the use of firearms at the AMC.
- (4) At the beginning of (a) January 2020 and (b) December 2020, how many firearm qualified staff had been reassessed and found competent within the last 12 months.

- (5) Is there a minimum number requirement of firearm qualified staff to be on site at anyone one time; if so, what is that minimum requirement.
- (6) Are police officers allowed to bring their firearms on site; if so, what procedures or paperwork must they fill out in order to do so; if not, why not.

- (1) How is medicine distributed to inmates in the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) Which job role has the responsibility for the distribution of medicine and what training do they undergo to distribute the medicine.
- (3) What measures or practices are taken by staff at the AMC to prevent medication being taken by other detainees the medicine is not intended for.

23 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) How many employees at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) have either Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage.
- (2) What is the job role breakdown of these employees.
- (3) How many employees at the AMC have Pacific Islander Heritage.
- (4) What is the job role breakdown of these employees.
- 24 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—What (a) programs and (b) facilities in the AMC are exclusive to indigenous inmates.

25 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) For how long after admission is free pharmacotherapy available for inmates wanting to quit smoking.
- (2) How many inmates are currently utilising pharmacotherapy to assist them in their withdrawal from alcohol and other drugs including tobacco.
- (3) Have these pharmacotherapy methods resulted in any negative side effects on the inmates resulting in the need to see a health care worker.

- (1) What multifaith worship facilities are available at the Alexander Maconochie Centre.
- (2) How often are these facilities used per week.
- (3) What faith groups are currently being provided worship facilities.
- (4) Have any inmates of a particular faith group been denied use or access to worship facilities; if so, which faith groups and why were they denied.

- (1) How many staff are employed at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) on a full-time or full-time equivalent basis.
- (2) How many staff are employed at the AMC on a part time or casual basis.
- (3) What is the breakdown of staff per role, such as guard, administrative or custodial.
- (4) How many staff identify as either male, female or other.
- (5) What is the projected employment level of the AMC for 2021-2024 by staff role.
- (6) Are male guards ever scheduled to work in female dominated areas of the prison; if so, how many days per week, on average, are male guards scheduled to work in female dominated areas of the prison.
- (7) Are female guards ever scheduled to work in male inmate dominated areas of the prison; if so, how many days per week, on average, are female guards scheduled to work in male inmate dominated areas of the prison.

28 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What is the unemployment pay for an inmate at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) with a disability who cannot work.
- (2) How many inmates in the AMC have a disability that prevents them from being able to work.

29 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What programs in the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) are exclusive to female inmates.
- (2) What are these programs.
- (3) How often are these programs available during the month.
- (4) What criteria is used to determine whether a requested program will commence.
- (5) Is there a minimum number of individuals that must register interest with an activity or program before the program is made available.
- (6) What programs have been requested by female inmates that the AMC has either declined to offer or has been unable to offer.
- (7) Why did the AMC not deliver these programs.

- (1) Do the cell sizes in the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) conform to Standard Guidelines of Prison Facilities in Australia and New Zealand.
- (2) What are the measurements of the single person cells and double ups.
- (3) How many cells are designated as single person cells.
- (4) How many cells are designated as double ups.

- (5) Since the opening of the AMC, how many single person cells have had their designations changed to double ups.
- (6) How many of these cells are less than 12.75m².
- (7) What is the design capacity of the AMC.

- (1) What information is given to detainees in maximum security accommodation to assist them in leaving maximum security.
- (2) Besides verbal communication, how else is a detainee in maximum security accommodation able to find out what pathways are available for them to leave maximum security.
- (3) Since 1 January 2020, how many inmates have succeeded in leaving maximum-security accommodation and moving to a less secure wing of the Alexander Maconochie Centre.
- (4) How many inmates were in maximum security accommodation at the beginning of 1 January 2020?
- (5) Are there any differences in these pathways for male and female inmates; if so, what are the differences.

32 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Noting that Standard 47.8 of the ACT Standards for Adult Correctional Services, the correctional centre is responsible to obtain clothing for an inmate if they have no means to obtain clothing themselves, what is the process for obtaining clothing for a detainee.
- (2) Is there a monetary figure attached to how much can be spent by the correctional centre on clothing.
- (3) Does the inmate have any input into what clothing is bought.
- (4) Does the Alexander Maconochie Centre first obtain the detainees measurements before clothing is bought.

- (1) How often are inmates consulted about what goods should be sold at the prison shop.
- (2) When was the last time inmates were consulted about what goods should be sold at the prison shop.
- 34 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—What measures have been taken, at the Alexander Maconochie Centre, to ensure sufficient privacy for inmates in their cells according to standard 43.8 in the ACT Standards for Adult Correctional Services.

- (1) According to Standard 78.5 in the ACT Standards for Adult Correctional Services, what progress has been made on transforming the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) into a smoke-free prison.
- (2) What studies have been done on the feasibility of a smoke-free prison at the AMC.
- (3) What are the names of those studies.
- (4) Is there a timeline for when the ACT Government intends the AMC to be smoke-free; if so, at what stage in the timeline is the AMC at.

36 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) How many different coloured emergency codes are at Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What criteria determines a code red situation.
- (3) What protocols or procedures must be undertaken by AMC staff during a code red situation.
- (4) What criteria determines every other colour coded situation.
- (5) What protocols or procedures must be undertaken by AMC staff during each other colour coded situation.

37 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) How many inmates of the Alexander Maconochie Centre are mothers.
- (2) What are the different mediums of contact a mother can have with their children.
- (3) Are mothers afforded any additional contact/visiting hours with their children beyond that which is offered to childless inmates.

- (1) In relation to children in the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) and standard 8.4 and 60.1 in the ACT Standards for Adult Correctional Services, are there any parents with children staying with them in the AMC.
- (2) Are there any dedicated accommodation types for parents with children with them.
- (3) What is the minimum and maximum age for a child to be allowed to stay with their parents at the AMC.
- (4) Are fathers allowed to have their children stay with them at the AMC.
- (5) Are parents with children staying with them afforded any additional privileges or rights.
- (6) How many children have been accommodated with a parent in the AMC since the opening of the AMC.
- (7) How many of these children end up separated from their parent and taken into Child and Youth Protection Services.

- (8) How many of these children have since been reunited with their parent.
- (9) What support are parents in this situation being given to be reunited with their children.
- (10) Is there a minimum or maximum age limit for children being accommodated in the AMC.
- (11) According to standard 60.1 in the ACT Standards for Adult Correctional Services, children under two years of age can reside with their primary caregiver in the correctional centre if it is in the best interest of the child to do so; once the child turns two, are they then removed from their primary caregiver; if so, what is the process for this.
- (12) What input does the mother have during this process.

- (1) What is the award rate for inmates at the Alexander Maconochie Centre at (a) Level 1, (b) Level 2 and (c) Level 3.
- (2) What determines which award rate an inmate is eligible for.
- (3) Does any kind of tertiary education influence the award rate an inmate is eligible for.

40 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Are nightly patrols around the perimeter fence at the Alexander Maconochie Centre currently part of standard procedure.
- (2) What paperwork is an employee required to fill in when beginning or ending a nightly patrol around the perimeter fence.
- (3) What is the title of this paperwork.
- (4) Have nightly patrols around the perimeter fence ever not been part of standard procedure and routine; if so, when did they cease being a part of standard procedure or routine and why were they stopped.
- (5) What incidents involving the perimeter fence have happened or may have happened during the time when nightly patrols were ceased, for example, things being thrown over the fence, the fence being damaged and inmates being in contact with the fence.

- (1) How many lockdowns have occurred at the Alexander Maconochie Centre since 1 January 2016.
- (2) How long did each of these lockdowns last.
- (3) Briefly, what was the cause of each lockdown.
- (4) What is the name of the document(s) that records details of each lockdown.

- (1) How many staff, divided by gender, are trained and up to date with trauma informed searching techniques as of 1 December 2020.
- (2) Is there a minimum number requirement of trauma informed searching technique trained staff that must be on-site at any one time.

43 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) How many instances were there of an inmate being sent to separate confinement as a means of punishment or discipline since 1 January 2016 at the Alexander Maconochie Centre.
- (2) Of these inmates, how many were released within (a) 24hrs, (b) 3 days and (c) 1 week.
- (3) Of these inmates, how many spent longer than a week in separate confinement.
- (4) What is the longest someone has remained in separate confinement.
- (5) How many instances were there of an inmate being sent to separate confinement as a means of punishment or disciplines since 1st January 2020.
- (6) What opportunities does an inmate have to socialise with other inmates while in separate confinement.
- (7) What activities remain available to an inmate in separate confinement.
- (8) Of the activities that remain available, are many of them are able to be done with other inmates or people.
- (9) What is the difference between segregation and separate confinement from Corrections ACT's perspective.

44 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Under what circumstances is the use of chemical spray (CS gas) or similar substances allowed at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What permissions must be given, and from whom must they be given by to use CS gas or similar substance.
- (3) Has CS gas or similar substance been used in the AMC for the purposes of protection or offence; if so, how many times has it been used; if not, how many times has the use of it been requested, but denied or not responded to.
- (4) What is the brand of the CS gas or similar substance used in the AMC.

- (1) When was the last staff-detainee forum.
- (2) When is the next staff-detainee forum.
- (3) What was the agenda for the last staff-detainee forum.

- (4) What is the title of the document that contains the minutes from this last staff-detainee forum.
- (5) Who runs the staff-detainee forums.

- (1) What is the total capacity of the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What is the total inmate population at the AMC as of 1 December 2020.

47 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What traditional indigenous food is available on the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) menu as of 1 December 2020.
- (2) How much time in advance are the AMC menus prepared.
- (3) What are the menus at the AMC for breakfast, lunch and dinner for the next three months, if available

48 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Do staff undergo refresher training for use of equipment such as chemical spray, riot shields, batons and tear gas.
- (2) How often do staff undergo this refresher training.
- (3) When was the last time staff were offered refresher training.
- (4) How many staff attended the last refresher training.
- (5) Is such training mandatory.
- (6) How many staff are qualified for using this type of equipment.
- (7) What are the titles for each training course.
- (8) What was the format for each training course, ie slide show presentation, practical, video.

49 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) How many incidents have there been involving assaults on members of the staff in the last two years at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) How many of these assaults have happened (a) within the AMC and (b) while in transit outside the AMC.

- (1) How many staff at the Alexander Maconochie Centre are primary educators or trainers.
- (2) How many of these staff are (a) full-time, (b) part-time and (c) casual.
- (3) How many of these staff have indigenous heritage.

- (1) How many short courses are on offer to short stay detainees.
- (2) What is the maximum amount of time a detainee can stay in the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) and be classified as a short-stay detainee.
- (3) How many of these short-stay inmates, between 2017-18 and 2018-19, enrolled in a short-stay course.
- (4) How many completed that course.
- (5) Of those who did not complete the course, how many did not complete the course due to being released from the AMC.

52 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) What support does the ACT Government offer to former inmates of the Alexander Maconochie Centre that is specifically for former inmates.
- (2) Do these supports include (a) employment opportunities, (b) education and training pathways, (c) housing support, (d) access to healthcare as well as any addiction, mental health or other rehabilitation requirements, (e) financial assistance and (f) obtaining transport whether private or public.
- (3) What community organisations does the ACT Government work with to provide these supports.

53 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) In general terms, what is the privilege system at the Alexander Maconochie Centre.
- (2) What is the highest level of privilege and what privileges does one attain at this level.
- (3) What is the lowest level of privilege and what privileges does one retain at this level.
- (4) How is an inmate able to move up in the privilege system.
- (5) How does an inmate move down in the privilege system.
- (6) Is there a maximum level of privilege an inmate can attain depending on the severity of their sentence and offence.

- (1) What education programs are available at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What resources exist for inmates to find out about these programs.
- (3) Is there a document that lays out all education programs and/or courses that inmates can choose from.
- (4) Are inmates able to pick and choose which education programs they participate in.
- (5) Are inmates able to not participate in any education program
- (6) Can an inmate drop out from the education program at any time.

- (7) How many inmates enrolled in pre-certificate level one courses between (a) 2016-17, (b) 2017-18 and (c) 2018-19 and how many completed their course
- (8) How many inmates enrolled in secondary school education courses between (a) 2016-17, (b) 2017-18 and (c) 2018-19 and how many completed their course.
- (9) How many inmates enrolled in vocational education and training courses between (a) 2016-17, (b) 2017-18 and (c) 2018-19 and how many completed their course.
- (10) How many inmates enrolled in higher education courses between (a) 2016-17, (b) 2017-18 and (c) 2018-19 and how many completed their course.
- (11) Can the Minister provide the school timetable for each non-vocational course
- (12) Is the Education Directorate providing lessons inside the AMC.
- (13) What other education resources are provided to inmates.
- (14) From which organisations are the certificates of completion of courses awarded from.
- (15) Does Canberra Institute of Technology aware any certificates of completion of courses; if so, which courses.
- 55 **MRS KIKKERT**: To ask the Assistant Minister for Families and Community Services—
 - (1) The 'Our Booris Our Way Final Report' (December 2019) recommends that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Placement Principles are 'explicitly designed into policy and practice' (p 75) and 'explicitly enshrined in legislation' (p 77). These principles include 'The participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community representatives, external to the statutory agency, is required in all child protection decision making, including intake, assessment, intervention, placement and care, including judicial decision making processes'. As the Government has formally agreed to this recommendation, and Minister Stephen-Smith signed up to the Family Matters commitment in September 2017, which includes the application and implementation of these principles, are any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community representatives, external to Child and Youth Protection Services, currently participating in decision making as noted in this principle; if so, who, how, how often, and in what areas (intake, assessment, intervention, placement and care, including judicial decision-making processes, etc.); if not, why not and when will the commitment to implementing this principle be fulfilled.
 - (2) When will the ACT Government amend the Children and Young People Act to include these principles, as recommended.

56 **MRS KIKKERT**: To ask the Assistant Minister for Families and Community Services—

- (1) Did the Community Services Directorate (CSD) in 2018–19, let 94 contracts worth almost \$190 million be exempt from tender; if so, for each of these contracts, can the Minister provide (a) name of contractor, (b) service contracted for, (c) dollar value of contract, (d) expiration date of contract, (e) length of time that this contract has been held by the same contractor and (f) for any contract valued between \$25,001 and \$200,000, the dollar value of each written quote obtained from competitive contractor.
- (2) Did the CSD in 2018–19 let 71 contracts with values above \$200,000 without open tender; if so, for each of these contracts, can the Minister provide (a) name of contractor, (b) service contracted for, (c) dollar value of contract, (d) expiration date of contract, (e) length of time that this contract has been held by the same contractor and (f) reason why the CSD overrode current procurement policy guidelines (and legislation) in awarding this contract.

57 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—

- (1) What was the (a) projected cost and (b) actual cost of building the recently completed Belconnen Bikeway
- (2) What was the cost broken down by (a) actual bikeway, (b) associated infrastructure and (c) landscaping for each segment of (a) Florey to the nearest end of the old Belconnen Busway, (b) the length of the old Belconnen Busway to Aikman Drive and (d) Aikman Drive to Haydon Drive.
- (3) What is the length of each segment referred to in part (2).
- (4) What is the length of the stone wall built as part of the Belconnen Bikeway between Aikman and Haydon Drives.
- (5) What was the complete cost of building this stone wall.

58 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—

- (1) Noting that as of March 2001, ornamental Pyrus ussuriensis (Manchurian pear) trees had been planted on unleased land in McKellar in Absolon Place, Bancks Crescent, Burns Circuit, Hetherington Circuit, and Joseph Place and that this species of tree has now been deleted from the ACT Government's list of approved trees in Plant Species for Urban Landscape Projects (April 2019), how many Manchurian pear trees have been planted as street trees in McKellar since its development.
- (2) How many living Manchurian pear trees currently exist as street trees in McKellar.
- (3) Are any of these trees in streets not named in part (1); if so, in which streets.
- (4) In each of the past ten financial years, how many Manchurian pear street trees in McKellar have been removed and replaced, and in which streets.

- (5) Have any of these been replaced with a species other than Manchurian pear; if so, (a) how many, (b) in which streets and (c) why.
- (6) Have any Manchurian pear street trees in McKellar been removed but not replaced; if so, (a) how many (b) in which streets and (c) why.
- (7) When were Manchurian pear trees deleted from the list of approved trees in the ACT.
- (8) How many complaints has the ACT Government received about damage to private infrastructure (including but not limited to paths, drives, walls, structures, and sewage lines) caused by the roots of Manchurian pear street trees, in each of the past ten financial years.
- (9) How many times has the ACT Government reimbursed a leaseholder for damage caused by the roots of a Manchurian pear street tree, in each of the past ten financial years
- (10) In each case, what has been the (a) total request for reimbursement and (b) amount actually reimbursed to the leaseholder.
- 59 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) How many contractors currently hold contracts with City Services.
 - (2) Are any of the contractors referred to in part (1) located outside of the ACT; if so, can the Minister provide the (a) name of contractor, (b) location of contractor, (c) service contracted for, (d) dollar value of contract, (e) expiration date of contract and (f) length of time that this contract has been held by the same contractor.
- 60 **MRS KIKKERT**: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—On what date was the water refill station at the Charnwood shops installed.
- 61 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—
 - (1) How many Transport and City Services (TCCS) officers have a (a) certificate III in horticulture and (b) diploma in horticulture.
 - (2) What training and/or education do TCCS officers need to undertake before working to maintain and service this city
 - (3) What is the required training and/or education for (a) mowing, (b) park maintenance, (c) playground maintenance, (d) Maintenance of public shops, (e) road maintenance, (f) footpath maintenance and (g) tree maintenance.
- MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—Did the Minister state in a letter to me regarding the installation of a footpath along Blackman Crescent, Macquarie, that the footpath would be placed on the community path infill program listed to be considered in 2020-21 capital works program; if so, has this footpath (a) undergone consideration for construction and (b) been scheduled for construction in either 2020 or 2021.

63 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—

- (1) How many potholes were recorded in the Ginninderra Electorate during 1 August and 1 December 2020.
- (2) How many of these potholes have been repaired.
- (3) How many of these potholes needed to be repaired more than once during this time.
- (4) What different methods were used to repair these potholes.
- (5) What is the estimated or average cost of each repair using each method of repair.
- (6) What is the estimated cost of the repairs for all potholes repaired during this time in the Ginninderra electorate.
- (7) How many potholes were repaired by removing the entire length of bitumen they were on and then laying a new length of bitumen.
- (8) What were the locations of the potholes that were repaired in this way.
- (9) Does the ACT Government plan to repair other potholes in this way; if so, where are those potholes.

64 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) On what date were Official Visitors first appointed for disability services.
- (2) What are the complete roles and responsibilities of an Official Visitors.
- (3) What criteria is considered in the making of a decision to appoint someone as an Official Visitors, ie qualifications, experience etc.
- (4) Are there any limitations to the number of Official Visitors that can be appointed; if so, what are the minimum and maximum number of Official Visitors that can be appointed.
- (5) How many Official Visitors are currently appointed and what are their names.
- (6) Is the ACT Government currently seeking more Official Visitors to be appointed; if so, how many.
- (7) Are Official Visitors employed by the ACT Government; if not, how are they imbursed for their work.
- (8) What is the total number of complaints received by Official Visitors for each year the past four years.

- (1) What are the complete powers, roles and responsibilities of the Senior Practitioner.
- (2) What data does the Senior Practitioner collect in relation to people living with disability in the ACT.
- (3) What data does the Senior Practitioner collect in relation to restrictive practices.

- (4) How many full-time equivalent staff are currently employed in the Office of the Senior Practitioner.
- (5) How many staff are currently employed, what are their work classifications and what type of employment are they engaged in, ie full-time, part-time, casual etc.
- (6) What is the total number of complaints received by the Senior Practitioner for each year since appointment to the date this question on notice was published.

66 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) On what date was the Office for Disability established.
- (2) What are the complete roles and responsibilities of the Office for Disability.
- (3) What data does the Office for Disability collect in relation to people living with disability in the ACT.
- (4) How many full-time equivalent staff are there currently employed in the Office for Disability.
- (5) How many staff are currently employed, what are their work classifications and what type of employment are they engaged in, ie full-time, part-time, casual etc.
- (6) What is the total number of complaints received by the Office for Disability for each of the past four years to the date this question on notice was published.

67 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) In accordance with the *Disability Services Act 1991*, what activities has the Minister (or past relevant Minister) approved as a 'research and development activity'.
- (2) What criteria and considerations must be met for ministerial approval to be given.

- (1) Can the Minister provide a complete list of businesses and organisations relating to disability in the ACT as an attachment to the answer to this question on notice.
- (2) Which of the groups mentioned in part (1) receive support from the ACT Government and what has been the nature of that support
- (3) Can the Minister provide a complete list of significant dates and/or events, projects and initiatives relating to disability in the ACT as an attachment to the answer to this question on notice.
- (4) Which of the significant events receive support from the ACT Government, and what has been the nature of that support.

69 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) What are the complete powers, roles and responsibilities of the Discrimination, Health Services, Disability and Community Services Commissioner.
- (2) What data does the Commissioner collect in relation to people living with disability in the ACT.
- (3) Does the Commissioner engage any staff to assist in carrying out their role; if so, how many (a) full-time equivalent staff are currently employed and (b) staff are currently employed, what are their work classifications and what type of employment are they engaged in, ie full-time, part-time, casual etc.
- (4) What is the total number of complaints received by the Commissioner for each year the past four years to the date this question on notice was published.

70 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) Is there currently a comprehensive disability framework and strategy by the ACT Government.
- (2) Are there currently any reporting obligations against any disability frameworks and/or strategies.
- (3) Is there currently a charter of rights for disability in the ACT
- (4) How many people and what percentage of people are identified in the ACT as living with a disability.
- (5) What is their age, gender and assessed degree of impairment.
- (6) How many of these people and what percentage of these people are identified as culturally and/linguistically diverse.
- (7) How many of these people and what percentage of these people are identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?
- (8) What disabilities have been identified in the ACT community, in order from most prevalent to least.
- (9) How many people and what percentage of people live with each identified disability.

- (1) How does the ACT Government support disability in sports.
- (2) What government initiatives support disability in sport.
- (3) What groups and organisations in the ACT support sports for people living with disability.
- (4) What disability sports groups and organisations are supported by the ACT Government and what is the nature of the support provided.
- (5) What percentage of people living with disability in the ACT are known to be engaged in community sport.

(6) What concerns have been identified by the ACT Government in relation to disability sports, and what measures will the Government take to improve and/or resolve these concerns.

72 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) Is there currently an ACT disability housing strategy.
- (2) How does the ACT Government support disability housing, in relation to both public and private housing.
- (3) How many applicants on the ACT housing waiting list are identified as living with a disability, to the date this question on notice was published.
- (4) How many of these applicants are currently on the priority waiting list.
- (5) How many people living with disability are currently residing in ACT housing, to the date this question on notice was published.
- (6) What percentage of ACT housing properties accommodate people living with disability.
- (7) What concerns have been identified by the ACT Government in relation to disability housing, and what measures will the Government take to improve and/or resolve these concerns.

73 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) Is there currently an ACT disability health strategy.
- (2) How does the ACT Government support disability in the ACT health sector, both public and private.
- (3) How many people living with disability are waiting on specialist appointments in the ACT, to the date this question on notice was published.
- (4) What percentage of the waiting list comprise people living with disability.
- (5) How many people living with disability are waiting on elective surgeries in the ACT, to the date this question on notice was published.
- (6) What percentage of the waiting list comprise of people living with disability.
- (7) What concerns have been identified by the ACT government in relation to disability health, and what measures will the Government take to improve and/or resolve these concerns.

- (1) Is there currently an ACT disability employment strategy.
- (2) How does the ACT Government support disability employment in the ACT private sector.
- (3) What has been the total number of employees and the percentage of disability employment in the ACT public service, for each financial year for the past four years to the date this question on notice was published.

(4) Are there any plans to increase the percentage of disability employment in the ACT public service; if so, what measures does the ACT Government intend to take.

75 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) Is there currently an ACT disability education strategy.
- (2) How does the ACT Government support disability education, in relation to both public and private education.
- (3) How many students in the ACT public education system are identified as living with a disability, to the date this question on notice was published.
- (4) Of those students identified in part (3), how many are in (a) primary school, (b) high school and (c) college and what is the percentage of students relating to each.
- (5) What kind of training, education and development is given to teachers to support students living with disability and how regular is the training provided.
- (6) Can teachers request additional training and support if they feel there is a need.
- (7) What specialists are employed to support students living with disability and what is the nature of the support that they provide.
- (8) How many specialists are employed across the ACT.
- (9) Are there any other workers that are employed by the ACT Government to support students with disability; if so, what is the nature of their training and work.
- (10) Which ten ACT government schools have the highest percentage of students living with disability enrolled and what is the percentage for each school.
- (11) What concerns have been identified by the ACT Government in relation to disability education, and what measures will the Government take to improve and/or resolve these concerns.

- (1) How many people and what percentage of people are identified in the ACT as a carer for someone living with disability.
- (2) How does the ACT Government support carers for people living with disability.
- (3) In what ways will the ACT Government seek to develop and improve the ACT Carer's Strategy.
- (4) How many complaints has the ACT Government received in relation to carers for people living with disability.
- (5) What concerns have been identified by the ACT Government in relation to carers for people living with disability, and what measures will the Government take to improve and/or resolve these concerns.

77 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) What was the inaugural date of the Chief Minister's Inclusion Awards.
- (2) Can Minister provide lists of award recipients relating to disability for each year as an attachment to the answer to this question on notice?
- (3) What was the inaugural date of the (a) Disability Inclusion Grant and (b) I-Day (International Day of Disability) Grant.
- (4) For the grants listed in part (3), (a) how many grant applications were received in total, (b) how many grant applications were rejected, and what was the reason for each rejection, (c) where grant applications were rejected for not meeting certain requirements, were applicants notified and given an opportunity to resubmit their application and (d) how many grant applications were successful, for the past financial year to the date this question on notice was published.
- (5) When did the Minister (or past relevant Minister) last review the effectiveness of the (a) Disability Inclusion Grant and (b) I-Day (International Day of Disability) Grant and what were the findings.
- (6) What recommendations were made to improve the effectiveness of disability grants.

78 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Disability—

- (1) How does the ACT Government support disability in arts.
- (2) What government initiatives support disability in arts.
- (3) What groups and organisations in the ACT support arts for people living with disability.
- (4) What disability arts groups and organisations are supported by the ACT Government and what is the nature of the support provided.
- (5) What percentage of people living with disability in the ACT are known to be engaged in community arts.
- (6) What concerns have been identified by the ACT Government in relation to disability arts, and what measures will the Government take to improve and/or resolve these concerns.

- (1) Who are all the specialist disability service providers in the ACT and what is the nature of the service that they provide
- (2) Has the Minister (including past relevant ministers) approved any standards about the provision of any specialist disability services by the providers listed in part (1); if so, what standards and for what services.
- (3) Has the Minister (including past relevant ministers) approved any grants of financial assistance to service providers; if so, (a) which providers were granted assistance, (b) when was assistance granted, (c) how much assistance was granted and (d) for what purposes.

80 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Justice Health—

- (1) How often are dental services provided on site at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) How many dentists work at the same time each day that dental services are available.
- (3) How many dental chairs are in the AMC.
- (4) How many patients are the dentists able to see in one day.
- (5) What is the waiting list for dental services.
- (6) How many inmates have left the AMC for routine dental work in the last two years.
- (7) How many inmates have left the AMC for emergency dental work.
- (8) How many inmates have had emergency dental work in the last two years either inside or outside the AMC.

81 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Justice Health—

- (1) What services does Winnunga provide at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) Is Winnunga providing all services they wish to provide at the AMC.
- (3) Has Winnunga been refused the ability to provide any services they have requested to at the AMC; if so, why were they refused.
- (4) How many staff does Winnunga have at the AMC.
- (5) How many of these staff are (a) part-time, (b) full-time and (c) casual.

82 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Justice Health—

- (1) What on-site healthcare facilities are available at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) What on-site rehabilitation or addiction recovery/treatment facilities are available at the AMC.
- (3) How often is an inmate able to access any of these facilities.
- (4) How many dedicated healthcare professionals work on-site at the AMC.
- (5) What is the breakdown of job roles among these healthcare professionals.
- (6) How many (a) part-time or casual and (b) full-time healthcare professionals work at the AMC either on-site or remotely.
- (7) What roles are fulfilled by remote healthcare workers.
- (8) How often do these remote healthcare workers work and do they have specific days that they are made available to inmates.

83 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Justice Health—

- (1) How often are optometrist services provided on site at the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC).
- (2) How many optometrists work at the same time each day that optometrist services are available.
- (3) How many inmates can see the optometrist in one day.
- (4) What is the waiting list for optometrist services.
- (5) How many inmates have left the AMC for routine optometry work in the last two years.
- (6) How many inmates have left the AMC for emergency optometry work.
- (7) How many inmates have had emergency optometry work in the last two years either inside or outside the AMC

84 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Justice Health—

- (1) Does the Alexander Maconochie Centre (AMC) provide any on site podiatrist services; if so, (a) how often do podiatrists come into the AMC and (b) how many podiatrists come into the AMC.
- (2) What is the waiting list for podiatry services.
- (3) Do inmates have to leave the AMC to access podiatry services.
- (4) How many inmates leave the AMC per week to access podiatry services.
- (5) Is there a set schedule for when inmates can leave the AMC to access podiatry services.

85 MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Minister for Justice Health—

- (1) How many clients of Winnunga in the Alexander Maconochie Centre have had their appointments cancelled due to a lack of guards being able to provide an escort, in the last two financial years.
- (2) What has been the average waiting time, since 1 January 2018, for an inmate to wait for a re-scheduled appointment after cancellation.

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