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Delivering for the Beaches

The recent Budget handed down a couple of weeks ago has guaranteed the delivery of major infrastructure on the Beaches.

Since the Liberal/National Government came to power in 2011, we have turned the State's economy around from being at the bottom of all the States and Territories to now leading the country.

I detail some of the changes in our economy on Page 3.

This strong economic position has translated into lots of activity on the Beaches and some of that is detailed in this newsletter.

Major funding for Palliative Care and for our local schools has come as a result of the Government building the economic strength of the State.

Our local area continues to go from strength to strength and there is more to come.



Brad Hazzard, Karen Banton, Liz Hing and Rod Banton

PALLIATIVE CARE Community Meeting

As a local MP and as the Health Minister, I have had many discussions about the need for more support for people as they reach the end of their lives.

Palliative Care is a topic that needs to be discussed and that happened at a recent meeting at the Dee Why RSL hosted by the Cancer Council.

I have implemented round table meetings on Palliative Care across the State over the past two months.

I am very pleased that the 2017-2018 State Budget handed down on 20 June 2017 introduced a \$100m Palliative Care Package which includes funding for:

- Palliative care training for 300 nurses
- 300 scholarships for rural and regional staff
- An additional 6 palliative care specialists and 30 nurses.

OUR LOCAL SCHOOLS ARE DOING WELL

Visiting our local schools and having students visit me in Parliament reminds me of the wonderful school communities we have in the local area supporting our young people.

Recently I enjoyed having all the Wakehurst primary school leaders into Parliament House.

We talked about what is involved in leadership and their interaction reinforced in my mind, that we have a strong educational system

aimed at supporting students who will be tomorrow's community leaders.

I also never fail to be impressed by the enthusiasm of our school communities.

Recently Forestville Public School had a Fun Run which brought together hundreds of locals and although there were official winners, the reality is that everyone who attended was a winner.



Students from St John's School Narrabeen with Brad Hazzard



Forestville students and locals with Brad Hazzard

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE NEARS COMPLETION

Our new Community Health Centre (opposite Warringah Mall) on Pittwater Road Brookvale will be operational late 2017. This \$50 million new facility will include many of the auxiliary health services we all need from time to time.

Locals will be able to access the following services:

- BreastScreen NSW
- Child and Family Health
- Child and Youth Mental Health
- Chronic and Complex Care
- Community Adult Mental Health
- Community Drug and Alcohol
- Northern Sydney Home Nursing Service
- Multicultural Health
- Health Promotion
- Oral Health
- Rehabilitation and Aged Care.

It will also include a multi-storey carpark for patients and staff.



A fantastic new service for our local area



Premier Gladys Berejiklian with Brad Hazzard

Strong Economy Benefits Locals

The Premier, Gladys Berejiklian and I recently discussed the improvements in the State's economy (see next page) since the Liberal/Nationals came to government six years ago.

Our 2017-2018 Budget announced on 20 June 2017 confirmed the State is booming.

I am delighted that the improved economy guarantees the continued delivery of improvements to our local area.

Everything from our new hospital, the Community Health Centre at Brookvale and road upgrades right through to funding for school maintenance/upgrades.

Getting the State moving is delivering for us on the Beaches.



NSW: THEN & NOW

NSW is leading the country in economic growth and job creation, with the nation's lowest unemployment figures. In 2011, NSW had budget deficits and growing net debt. Today the state has virtually zero net debt, surpluses forecast for the next four years and a record infrastructure program.

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Economic growth (GSP)

1.8%*

3.5%

Best since the Olympics; **NSW is #1** for the first time since 1990-91; NSW was last in 2011-12



Unemployment rate

5.2%
(Aust 5.0%)

4.9%
(Aust 5.7%)

Lowest in the nation; a full 1.1pp better than any other State



Number of jobs

3,485,905

3,806,289

320,000 jobs created; more than 40% of all jobs in Australia; 44% of jobs in the past financial year were in regional NSW



Housing approvals (annual)

36,013

74,600

That's an **all-time record**; 52,800 completions in the past year is the best result in 16 years



Budget position (following four years)

\$4.4bn deficits

\$7.4bn surpluses

The NSW Government is on track for a **record surplus** of \$4bn in 2016-17



Net debt

\$20bn forecast

Zero

In 2011, net debt was forecast to be almost \$20bn by June 2015; net debt is now **virtually zero** (0.08% of GSP at June 2017)



Credit rating

AAA negative outlook
(Oct 2012)

AAA stable outlook**
(Oct 2014)

S&P downgraded NSW to negative outlook in October 2012; it was **returned to stable outlook** in October 2014



Net worth

\$146.9bn*

\$203.4bn

Net worth forecast to grow to \$248.4bn by June 2020, **three times faster** than any other state. That's \$100bn more in less than a decade



Infrastructure spending***

\$6.1bn

\$12.9bn

Record state capital spending of \$73.2bn over the next four years; more than **40% of all spending** in Australia this financial year



Restart NSW

Zero

\$23.1bn+

Funds raised for new **infrastructure will near \$30bn** once the proceeds of the Endeavour and LPI transactions plus further asset recycling funds and interest are received



Number of nurses

40,300

45,796

That's **5,500 more nurses** and midwives. There are 2,200 more doctors and, overall, there has been a 9,750 increase in clinical staff to 81,335



Number of police officers

15,556

16,730

That's **1,170 more officers** — on track to hit the target of 16,795 by 2019



Number of teachers

61,144

64,919

That's **3,775 more teachers**



HOMELESS YOUTH FUNDRAISER

While we all know the Northern Beaches is a great place to live, for some young people life is tough.

The "hidden homelessness" faced by many of our young people is not a hot topic for discussion. However there are many amongst us who need support.

Link Housing (one of our amazing community housing providers) is hosting a sleep-over event at Freshwater Surf Life Saving Club on the 15/16 September 2017.

All monies raised will be donated to the Burdekin Association to enable them to provide support for our Northern Beaches youth.

So – if you are feeling like a night by the surf at "Freshie" go to www.homesweet.org.au for information about registering or donating or for more information on the fundraiser go to www.linkhousing.org.au

"Congratulations" to the Northern Beaches Indoor Sports Centre (NBISC)

State Government funds, together with funds raised by the prudent NBISC Management Committee, have resulted in the addition of two new courts to the indoor facility.

This Centre has been open since 2001 and is a multi-user facility. It is always busy! Basketball, netball and volleyball are just some of the indoor sports at the Centre.

Incredibly it can handle 42 games per day of three different sports during normal school hours.

The Centre recently hosted the National Christian School Sports Association with 550 competitors and 250 accompanying coaches, administrators and parents for four days. They came from Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, Western Australia and New South Wales.

Not just good management by the Committee for the facility but also a major economic boost for our local area.



TIPS TO AVOID FINES

The dangers of not knowing the Road Rules

Two constituents recently found out the hard way about some of our obscure but costly road rules.

I share this with you so you can try to avoid falling into the same trap.

The first local parked his car with attached boat in a non-sign posted area and was fined \$106.

Sadly it turned out that Road Rule 200 does not permit a vehicle (which can include an attached trailer) that is 7.5 metres or more in length to stand for more than one hour. So, be careful!

One way around it is to simply separate the trailer so that the two vehicles are no longer considered as one.

The other local was the holder of a black motor vehicle licence but had recently got a "P" plate motor bike licence. Unaware of the relatively new "lane filtering" restriction on "P" platers he thought he was doing well getting through the traffic.

It turned out that a learner or "P" plate holder is not allowed to "lane filter" even as the holder of a black motor vehicle licence.



HOW CAN I HELP YOU? As your local State Member of Parliament I can:

- Represent you in Parliament.
- Advise you of your rights and further action you can take.
- Take your problem directly to the appropriate Minister or Department to get a response.
- Argue for more resources for your group or community.
- Put you in touch with a service that can help you.
- Work with you to make democracy work for us all.