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Grant will also take on the Arts and Hospitality portfolios.

New additions to cabinet will be Cronulla MP Mark Speakman and Baulkham Hills MP David Elliott.

Brad Hazzard, who was Attorney-General, will move into Ms Upton's Family and Community Services portfolio.

Mr Grant will remain Racing Minister under the changes.

Stuart Ayres is understood to be moving from Police into Trade and Investment, Tourism and Major Events and will remain Sport Minister.

The Daily Telegraph has already revealed that Gladys Berejiklian will be promoted from Transport to Treasury and that the Treasurer before the election, Andrew Constance, will take on Transport and Infrastructure.

Ms Berejiklian will also take on the Industrial Relations portfolio.

Mark Speakman will be Environment Minister and Paul Toole retains Local Government.

Pru Goward will be Assistant Minister for Health and Minister for Women and the Prevention of Domestic Violence.

Jillian Skinner will remain in Health, Duncan Gay will stay in Roads and Rob Stokes will be promoted from Environment to Planning.

John Barilaro will become the Minister for TAFE (skills), Small Business and Regional Development.

Matthew Mason-Cox has been dumped along with Jai Rowell.

Adrian Piccoli is expected to remain in Education after surviving a secret ballot for deputy

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Nationals leader against four candidates this morning - Water Minister Kevin Humphries, Primary Industries Minister Katrina Hodgkinson and backbenchers Andrew Gee and Andrew Fraser.

David Elliott will get corrective services, emergency services and veterans affairs.

Nationals MPs Katrina Hodgkinson and Kevin Humphries have been dumped from cabinet.

They will be replaced by Niall Blair (Primary Industries and Water) and Lesley Williams (Aboriginal Affairs and Early Childhood)

Anthony Roberts is Minister for Industry Resources and Energy.

NSW Cabinet
Mike Baird
Premier and Minister for Western Sydney
Troy Grant
Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts and Minister for Racing
Gladys Berejiklian
Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations
Adrian Piccoli
Minister for Education
Duncan Gay
Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight and Vice-President of the Executive Council
Anthony Roberts
Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy
Jillian Skinner
Minister for Health
Andrew Constance
Minister for Transport and Infrastructure
Brad Hazard
Minister for Family and Community Services and Minister for Social Housing
Robert Stokes
Minister for Planning
Dominic Perrottet
Minister for Finance, Services and Property
Gabrielle Upton
Attorney-General
Pru Goward
Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister
for Women and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
John Ajaka
Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Multiculturalism
Stuart Ayres

Minister for Trade, Tourism and Major Events and Minister for Sport
Victor Dominello
Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation
Giovanni Barilaro
Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills and Minister for Small Business
Paul Toole
Minister for Local Government
Niall Blair
Minister for Primary Industries and Minister for Lands and Water
Mark Speakman
Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage and Assistant Minister for Planning
David Elliott
Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Veterans Affairs
Leslie Williams
Minister for Early Childhood, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Assistant Minister for Education

The changes come on the Premier's celebrated his birthday with a train-themed victory cake at the Liberal Party's first post-election meeting. Liberal MPs hugged and cheered as they gathered at NSW Parliament on Wednesday morning to welcome newly elected members. "I am so proud of everyone in this room," Mr Baird said.

"All of us should be very humbled." The 47-year-old premier was greeted with a blue NSW-shaped birthday cake, decorated with a railway line, tunnel and tiny sheep.

"Happy Birthday Premier. Congratulations on a great victory," the cake read.

Mr Baird congratulated the star performers while crossing his fingers for Chris Holstein who was "in a battle of his life" for the seat of Gosford.

The margin in Gosford is fewer than five votes with 84.2 per cent counted, according to the ABC.

The premier also dismissed Labor's victory cries, saying they were delusional for celebrating a swing back to them.

"They are talking it up," he said. "It was their second-lowest primary vote."

Mr Foley brunched with Labor's newly-elected western Sydney MPs over the weekend, declaring that the party had won back its heartland.