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# 2018–2019 ANNUAL REPORT

27 September 2019

The Honourable Kate Jones MP Minister for Innovation and Tourism Industry Development and Minister for Cross River Rail 1 William Street Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Minister

I am pleased to submit for presentation to the Parliament the *Annual Report 2018—2019* and financial statements for the Department of Innovation, Tourism Industry Development.

I certify that this annual report complies with:

- the prescribed requirements of the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019*
- the detailed requirements set out in the *Annual report requirements for Queensland Government agencies*.

A checklist outlining the Queensland Government's annual reporting requirements is included in appendix three of this report or can be accessed at www.ditid.qld.gov.au

Yours sincerely

**Damien Walker** Director-General

Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development

# ABOUT OUR ANNUAL REPORT

The Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development (DITID) Annual Report 2018–2019 is an integral part of our corporate governance framework. It is a key tool in ensuring we are accountable to stakeholders, the Queensland Parliament and the community about our activities.

• Under the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, Tourism and Events Queensland produces a separate annual report and financial statements on the administration of the *Tourism and Events Queensland Act 2012*.

#### View our report online

This report and the information on DITID government bodies is available online: http://www.qld.gov.au/ditid/annual-report.

Several annual reporting requirements for this year are addressed by publishing information on the Queensland Government Open Data website. These are:

- consultancies
- overseas travel
- Queensland Language Services Policy.

For further information, please visit https://data.qld.gov.au.

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# FROM THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL —

# THE YEAR IN REVIEW

This year DITID has continued the momentum of delivering the Queensland Government's *Our Future State: Advancing Queensland Priorities*, with a strong focus on growing Queensland's tourism industry, driving economic growth and further job creation through the successful Advance Queensland agenda.

#### **Advance Queensland**

Innovation is front and centre of the Queensland Government's economic strategy and DITID has a key role in the state's future focus through its leadership of the Advance Queensland initiative.

The initiative encompasses the delivery of a suite of diverse initiatives and activities, led by multiple agencies across the Queensland Government. As at 30 June 2019, across the whole initiative, our government has committed \$503 million to back over 5,200 innovation projects. These projects are directly supporting over 16,400 jobs.

Driven by the Advance Queensland initiative, Queensland's innovation system has grown significantly in the past four years. Programs such as Advance Queensland Industry Research Fellowships have increased the pipeline of new research. The Ignite Ideas Fund and related capability development programs have assisted local businesses to commercialise new ideas, creating new products and services.

#### **Growing Queensland's tourism industry**

2019 is the Year of Outback Tourism, with more tourists than ever travelling to Outback Queensland sharing in rich Indigenous cultural experiences, seeing some of the world's rarest dinosaur bones as well as some of the most picturesque landscapes on the planet.

DITID is partnering with tourism operators and councils to deliver 15 projects which will help to fill some of the large distances between existing tourist attractions and create new outback tourism trails.

Queensland tourism continues to grow assisted by record Queensland Government investment. In the year ending March 2019, 2.7 million international tourists spent a record \$6 billion in Queensland. More Australians than ever before are choosing to visit the state where life is 'beautiful one day and perfect the next'. Some 24.6 million Australian travellers spent \$18.5 billion here in Queensland. Queensland also continues to gain market share in overnight visitor expenditure. This was one of our priorities and our department is delivering this through partnerships with industry.

Securing more major events and delivering on a once-in-a-generation Commonwealth Games has also helped to solidify Queensland's reputation as the major events capital of Australia. The 2019 Queensland events calendar is estimated to generate \$800 million in economic benefit across Queensland – up from \$380 million in 2015.

DITID progressed the *Advancing Tourism* 2016–2020: Growing Queensland Jobs Strategy to drive further tourism growth, visitation and employment in Queensland. The Tourism Division significantly exceeded performance targets set for 2018–2019, with growth from \$60 million to \$110 million in international overnight visitor expenditure in Queensland supported by tourism development programs.

# AS A SMALL AGENCY, INNOVATION AND COLLABORATION ARE OUR STRENGTHS AND DITID STAFF CONTINUE TO BUILD EFFECTIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS AND ACROSS GOVERNMENT TO ACHIEVE THE ADVANCE QUEENSLAND AGENDA AND GROW QUEENSLAND'S TOURISM INDUSTRY

The Tourism Development Projects Division led a transformative year for the department with the progression of the Wangetti Trail for the adventure and nature-based tourism program.

Other significant achievements included starting construction on Stage 1 of the \$3.6 billion Queen's Wharf Brisbane redevelopment. When completed in late 2019, this riverside public space will include a Mangrove Walk along the river, a fitness and recreation park as well as upgrades to the Bicentennial Bikeway.

# Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games legacy

The Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games provided a \$2.5 billion economic boost to the state, including a \$1.8 billion boost to the Gold Coast, and supported tens of thousands of jobs. As a result of a positive Games experience tourism to Queensland has been boosted, with 87% of Games visitors likely to return and 85% likely to recommend our state to family and friends.

Finally, I want to pay tribute to the staff of the department who help deliver change for the state each and every day. As a small agency, innovation and collaboration are our strengths. DITID staff continue to build effective relationships with external stakeholders and across government, to achieve the Advance Queensland agenda and grow Queensland's tourism industry.

Our grants teams have implemented robust systems and practices to efficiently and effectively manage each program, whilst delivering good communications with thousands of applicants and working closely with startups, Indigenous businesses and small-to-medium enterprises to connect with government.

The work that tourism staff are doing to facilitate and deliver investment into new tourism infrastructure is ground-breaking for government and our staff have proven to be agile, innovative and hard-working in their approach. We consistently get positive feedback from stakeholders on their engagement with our agency and our collaborative approach to each and every project.

Damien Walker **Director-General** 

Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development

The Administrative Arrangements Order (No.1) 2019, released on 20 September 2019, details changes to the department's title and ministerial portfolio title. Throughout 2018–2019, the department operated as the Department of Innovation, Tourism Industry Development and the Commonwealth Games, supporting the Minister for Innovation, Tourism Industry Development and the Minister for the Commonwealth Games.

As at 20 September 2019, the department now operates as the Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development, supporting the ministerial portfolio of the Minister for Innovation and Tourism Industry Development and Minister for Cross River Rail.

### JOB CREATION:

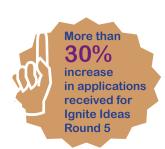
- OUR TOURISM INDUSTRY EMPLOYS 1 IN 10 QUEENSLANDERS, SUPPORTING 236,000 JOBS
- MORE THAN **1,400 JOBS SUPPORTED IN 2018—2019** BY DITID ADVANCE QUEENSLAND PROGRAMS, **55% OF THESE IN THE REGIONS**

### ADVANCING QUEENSLAND THROUGH INNOVATION

83% OF Ignite Ideas
Fund recipients

have found new leads in Australia and

72% found new leads overseas



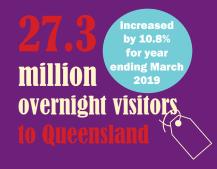
Supporting research industry partners enabled

92% TO SOLVE A PROBLEM or produce a new product

**QODE**the innovation festival

attracted more than 160 exhibitors, and 2,800 trade visitors over 2 days, with 13 Queensland regions

## TOURISM INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT







DITID has a lead strategic role with the Advance Queensland agenda, growing the state's visitor economy, international education and major events program. In an increasingly competitive global economy, we are working to position Queensland as a vibrant innovation hub and an attractive investment destination for venture capital and corporate investment.

# 2018-2019: PERFORMANCE HIGHLIGHTS

### **DRIVING ECONOMIC GROWTH:**

- OUR TOURISM INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTES \$27 BILLION TO THE QUEENSLAND ECONOMY
- MORE THAN \$76 MILLION OF STATE FUNDING COMMITTED TO NEW TOURISM PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT LEVERAGING \$113.8 MILLION OF PARTNER CONTRIBUTIONS = \$189.9 MILLION WORTH OF NEW INVESTMENT IN THE TOURISM SECTOR

### GOLD COAST 2018 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

#### \$167 million

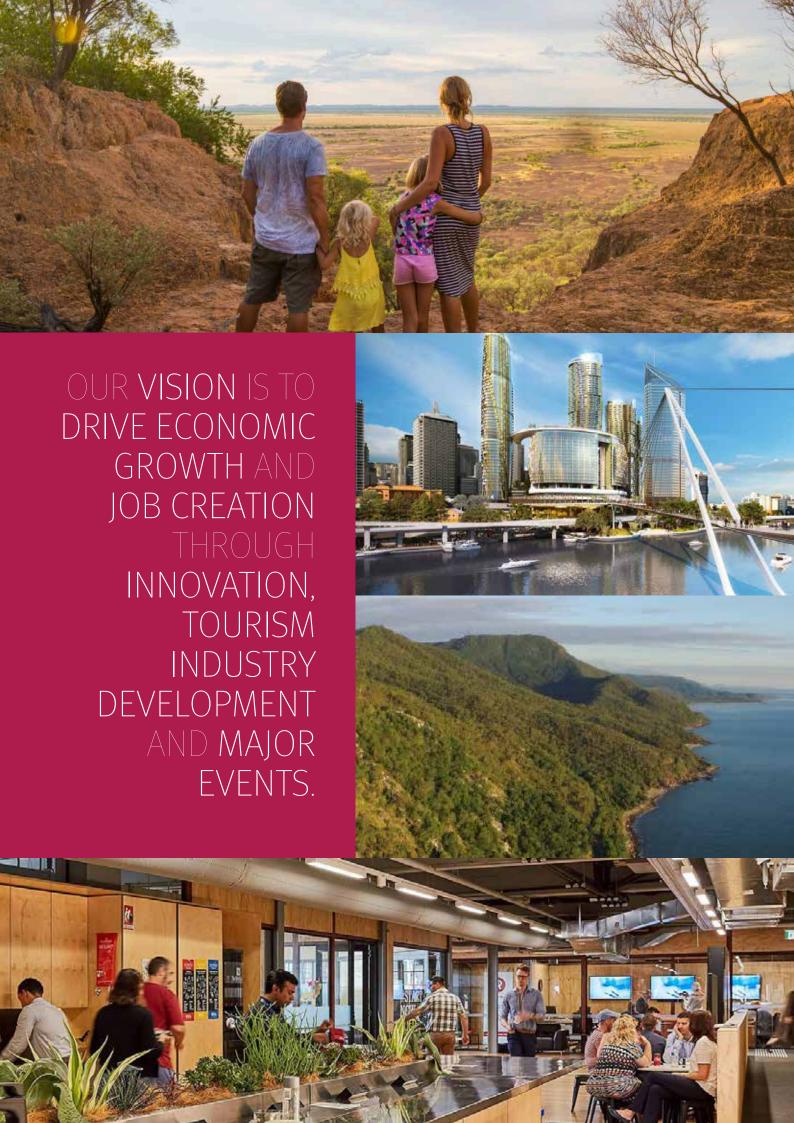
of planned budget returned to the Queensland Government

#### \$840 million

estimated growth in trade and investment over the four years post games as a result of the Games \$2.5 billion economic boost to the state including \$1.8 billion boost to the Gold Coast. Supported tens of thousands of jobs

### Business migration

to the Gold Coast region is estimated to result in foreign direct investment outcomes of \$41 million per year at current prices



IN AN INCREASINGLY COMPETITIVE GLOBAL ECONOMY, WE ARE ALSO WORKING TO POSITION QUEENSLAND AS A VIBRANT INNOVATION HUB AND AN ATTRACTIVE INVESTMENT DESTINATION FOR VENTURE CAPITAL AND SECTOR INVESTMENT.

# 1. ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

The Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development (DITID) has a lead strategic role with the Advance Queensland agenda and growing the state's visitor economy and major events program. It has a further role in realising the legacy of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018).

#### Our role

The department works with industry and other government agencies to harness strategic opportunities and position Queensland as an attractive investment destination.

Our own investments are helping drive innovation and regeneration to sustain traditional industries, accelerate growth in emerging technology and create jobs throughout the state.

#### Who we are

DITID continues to deliver significant economic and social benefits to the Queensland community. We work to progress the Advance Queensland agenda and develop the strategies and capabilities to deliver the following Queensland Government's *Our Future State:*Advancing Queensland Priorities of:

- create jobs in a strong economy
- a great start for all our children
- healthy Queenslanders
- safe communities
- protect the Great Barrier Reef
- a responsive government.

# OUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES FOR 2018-2019

To achieve our vision, Innovation and Tourism Industry Development delivers the objectives of *Our Future State: Advancing Queensland's Priorities* through our departments' strategic objectives:

Our Future State: Advancing Queensland's Priorities	DITID's strategic objectives	Our indicators of success
Create jobs in a strong economy  Protect the Great Barrier Reef	<ul> <li>Leveraging benefits of major events, tourism and international education to maximise the potential of Queensland's visitor economy</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Growth in international overnight visitor expenditure in Queensland supported by tourism development programs</li> <li>Amount of additional capital attracted into tourism investment</li> <li>Ratio of tourism investment attraction costs to the value of direct capital attracted</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Foster innovation to grow industry and attract skills, talent and investment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Percentage of Advance Queensland funding recipients satisfied with contract management services provided for related grant programs (overall satisfaction)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Improving business and investor confidence to leverage private sector investment and attraction</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Value of capital investment being developed or delivered through the department's facilitated tourism infrastructure projects</li> <li>Inbound seat capacity supported by route development programs</li> <li>Ratio of investment leveraged as a result of Queensland Government funding invested</li> </ul>
Be a responsive government	<ul> <li>Building economic opportunities across sectors through industry collaboration and partnerships</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Percentage of collaboration opportunities identified by participants of innovation programs/events</li> <li>Proportion of stakeholders who are satisfied with innovation and commercialisation consultative and engagement processes</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Enabling a skilled and flexible workforce</li> </ul>	Working for Queensland staff survey results

Table 1: Our strategic objectives for 2018–2019

Sources: Department of Innovation, Tourism Industry Development and the Commonwealth Games Strategic Plan 2018–2022

In 2018–2019, we contributed to the Queensland Government's *Our Future State: Advancing Queensland Priorities* to create jobs in a strong economy, be a responsive government, protect the Great Barrier Reef (GBR) and keep communities safe by:

- capitalising on our competitive advantages, supporting innovative practice across government and leading the Advance Queensland initiative to foster innovation and entrepreneurship
- working in partnership with Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ) and the Queensland tourism industry to grow visitor expenditure, generate jobs and create a business environment conducive to a strong, sustainable and globally competitive visitor economy
- leveraging achievements and return on investment from GC2018 legacy initiatives to maximise long-term economic and social benefits for Queensland.

# Legislation administered by the department

In 2018–2019, the department administered the following legislation for the former portfolio of Minister for Innovation and Tourism Industry Development and Minister for the Commonwealth Games:

- Commonwealth Games Arrangements Act 2011
- Major Events Act 2014
- Queen's Wharf Brisbane Act 2016 (Chapter 5, Part 1)
- Tourism and Events Queensland Act 2012
- Trade and Investment Queensland Act 2013 (to the extent that it is relevant to international education and training)
- Traveller Accommodation Providers (Liability) Act

Administrative Arrangements Order (No.1) 2019, released on 20 September 2019, reflect the additional legislative responsibilities associated with the Cross River Rail portfolio. While not supported throughout 2018–2019, the department will support the administration of the following legislation from 20 September 2019, which will be reflected in the 2019–2020 Annual Report:

Cross River Rail Delivery Authority Act 2016

# Other whole of government plans and specific initiatives

During 2018–2019, Innovation was responsible for the following whole-of-government initiatives:

 Building our Innovation Economy – Advance Queensland Strategy (Draft)

Innovation helped to implement the following whole-of-government strategies:

- Queensland Hydrogen Industry Strategy
- 2017 Better Regulation Taskforce Report
   Queensland Government Response and
   Action Plan
- Queensland Defence Industries 10-Year Roadmap and Action Plan
- Queensland Aerospace 10-Year Roadmap and Action Plan.

During 2018–2019, Tourism Industry
Development was responsible for the following whole-of-government initiatives:

- the state's Global Tourism Hubs (GTH) program, including Tropical North Queensland and the Gold Coast
- delivering, in partnership with the developer Destination Brisbane Consortium, the Queen's Wharf Brisbane \$3.6 billion Integrated Resort Development
- a feasibility study to upgrade Browne Park in Rockhampton
- delivering the Queensland Ecotourism
   Trails program with a focus on working collaboratively across all level of governments, while engaging with
   Traditional Owners. The program includes:
  - Wangetti Trail
  - Cooloola Great Walk
  - Thorsborne Trail and Whitsunday Island Trail
- Participating in the whole-of-government initiative on Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island), coordinated by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy on behalf of the Minjerribah Ministerial Forum.

## OUR FADERS

Member of the Executive Management Group (EMG) during 2018–2019.

OUR SENIOR
LEADERS ARE
COMMITTED
TO BUILDING
A STRONG
AND AGILE
DEPARTMENT

#### Damien Walker, Director-General



As Director-General of the Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development, Damien is leading the Queensland Government agenda for innovation, tourism and major events – driving economic growth by creating jobs and opportunity, and attracting investment.

Damien successfully led the Queensland Government's delivery of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games, positioning the Gold Coast and South-East Queensland as a tourism and events powerhouse and attracting future investment. He is working to strengthen and grow

Queensland's visitor economy, through developing tourism policy, tourism investment attraction, infrastructure and access, industry engagement and major events.

Damien works collaboratively with other government agencies to further the Advance Queensland agenda in partnership with industry, businesses, universities, startups, investors and the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur.

Damien has extensive experience in leading the delivery of significant programs in infrastructure planning and delivery, investment facilitation, contract management and reform implementation, and in all aspects of strategic, business and corporate planning.

Damien holds academic qualifications in public policy and planning, and has broad experience, particularly in the economic development and strategic planning arena.

#### Paul Martyn, Deputy Director-General, Innovation (Until 31 December 2018)



Paul headed up the Advance Queensland agenda for innovation-led economic growth. He had responsibility for innovation policy and for a range of programs to support growth and entrepreneurship.

Paul has had an extensive career across government, focusing on working with industries, firms and regions to successfully grow and compete in a global context. He has held senior roles in policy development, regulatory reform, commercial analysis, investment facilitation and program delivery.

Paul undertook his Masters in science policy at the University of London, United Kingdom, and was a criminal defence lawyer before joining the Queensland Government.

#### Nicolle Kelly, Acting Deputy Director-General, Innovation



As Acting Deputy Director-General, Innovation, Nicolle has oversight of Advance Queensland, a \$755 million initiative to foster innovation and build a more diversified economy and create jobs now and in the future.

Nicolle brings to the role extensive experience in leading the delivery of significant programs across government and in all aspects of strategic, business and corporate planning, implementation and delivery.

As a member of the department's Executive Management Group, Nicolle is part of a team that works collaboratively and proactively to deliver benefits for Queenslanders. Nicolle's experience with diverse stakeholder engagement and partnerships and developing high-performing teams, and her commitment to governance, assurance and evaluation, contribute to the successful delivery of Queensland Government priorities and objectives.

#### Jeffrey McAlister, Deputy Director-General, Tourism



Jeff leads the department's tourism industry development effort, which is focused on ensuring Queensland has the infrastructure, connectivity and strategic positioning it needs to sustain and grow our \$27 billion tourism industry.

Key priorities include facilitating a \$14 billion pipeline of investment in accommodation, attractions and related visitor infrastructure, supporting the private sector to develop new attractions across the state and strengthen business

capability, helping Queensland respond to major market and economic shifts, and securing more major events for Queensland.

Jeff previously worked in the Northern Territory (NT) as Director-General for Asian Engagement, Trade and Investment, where he worked with the private sector to diversify the NT's export base, attracted investors for major projects, and refocused strategic engagement with overseas partners. Prior to the NT, Jeff worked for the New Zealand Government, mostly in international trade and investment roles, lastly as Ambassador to Brazil, where he facilitated major two-way investments in agribusiness and gas, doubled New Zealand exports, and developed a new tourism market for high-value South American visitors.

#### Kerry Petersen PSM, Deputy Director-General, Tourism Development Projects Division



Kerry brings to her role 27 years of public sector experience, having worked across multiple Queensland Government agencies with more than a decade in senior leadership roles. She started her career in the public service as an architectural cadet after studying for a Bachelor in Architecture, graduating with Honours.

Kerry has since gone on to lead the delivery of significant public infrastructure programs and projects in multiple Queensland Government agencies, including the delivery of infrastructure for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games. Kerry's past roles include working as Director,

Infrastructure Delivery in the Office of the Commonwealth Games Delivery in 2012 and 2013.

She has a reputation for forging productive stakeholder relationships and partnerships, as well as a commitment to exemplar corporate governance and the professional development of high-performing teams – all of which have been critical to her success in leading large teams, complex programs and maximising cross-government opportunities.

Kerry received a Public Service Medal (PSM) in June 2019 for her outstanding public service to infrastructure projects and programs in Queensland, most recently for her role in the delivery of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

#### David Edwards, Projects Chief Executive, Tourism Development Projects Division



David's professional background is in economics, infrastructure, project management and public policy. He has had a distinguished and successful career at senior levels of the State's public and private sectors.

David is the Projects Chief Executive of the Tourism Development Projects Division, with responsibility for the delivery of Queen's Wharf Brisbane, the largest private property development in the nation, and the procurement process for the Tropical North Global Tourism Hub in Cairns. He is also responsible for delivering adventure and nature-based tourism projects in and around national parks.

David was previously the Director-General of the former Queensland Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, the state's central economic development agency. Prior to joining the Queensland Government, David was the Manager, Strategy and Market Development at GHD, and before that, State Director for the Committee for Economic Development of Australia.

In addition to his role with DITID, David is also Chairman of Ipswich Grammar School Board of Trustees (Queensland's oldest secondary school), Chairman of Lifetec (a not-for-profit organisation supporting people with disabilities), and a Board Member of the Wesley Mission Brisbane (a not-for-profit community service organisation that provides a range of services to support people in need).



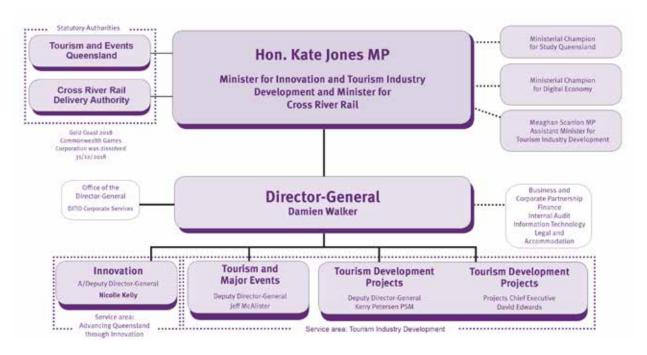


Figure 1: The DITID organisational structure as at 20 September 2019











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THE DEPARTMENT PROMOTES QUEENSLAND PUBLIC SERVICE VALUES: CUSTOMERS FIRST, IDEAS INTO ACTION, UNLEASH POTENTIAL, BE COURAGEOUS AND EMPOWER PEOPLE.

# 2. OUR OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

Throughout 2018—2019 our services are delivered by two service areas, which are strengthened by strong partnerships with portfolio statutory bodies, industry and other government agencies. The department worked closely with two statutory bodies that formed part of the portfolio in 2018—2019: TEQ and Gold Coast Commonwealth Games 2018 Corporation (GOLDOC):

# TEQ IS THE STATE'S LEAD BODY FOR MARKETING DESTINATION AND EXPERIENCE DEVELOPMENT AND MAJOR EVENTS

- Tourism Events Queensland (TEQ)
  is a statutory body reporting to the
  Minister for Innovation and Tourism
  Industry Development and Minister
  for Cross River Rail.
- GOLDOC was established in 2012 to work with government delivery partners to conduct an athlete-focused Commonwealth Games.
- GOLDOC's priorities during 2018–2019
   were to finalise the dissolution of the
   organisation. During this period, GOLDOC
   closed out remaining contracts, prepared
   and finalised statutory obligations and
   was fully dissolved by 31 December 2018,

- at which point remaining activities and obligations transferred to the Queensland Government.
- As a result of Administrative Arrangements
   Order (No.1) 2019, from 20 September
   2019 the Cross River Rail Delivery Authority
   statutory body reports to the Minister
   for Innovation and Tourism Industry
   Development and the Minister for Cross
   River Rail. As such, DITID will work with the
   authority from 20 September 2019, which
   will be reflected accordingly in the 2019–
   2020 DITID Annual Report.
- The Cross River Rail Delivery Authority's primary role is to plan, carry out, promote or coordinate activities to facilitate economic development and development for community purposes, in a Cross River Rail Priority Development Area, and to facilitate the efficient delivery of the CRR Project and related projects.

#### **Our strategic risks**

Considering our strategic opportunities and recognising our connected and diverse responsibilities, DITID's key strategic risks are:

- global competition for infrastructure investment and increased investment into emerging markets
- ongoing competition from international and domestic destinations, which continues to challenge efforts to drive visitation
- fluctuations of the global aviation market
- unstable global economic conditions and/ or geopolitical instability, which can have significant implications on visitor and investor decisions
- major weather events, which can disrupt the tourism sector and impact on visitation in affected regions
- ability to secure and retain suitably-skilled people at the right time, and manage the workload variability needed for projects that are short-term, time-critical or involve new technologies
- diverse interests and expectations of stakeholders, business customers and the community that may affect DITID's ability to deliver outcomes.

#### **Our services**

#### Innovation

Innovation is front and centre for the Queensland Government's economic strategy, and Advance Queensland has a key role in shaping the state's future focus.

The Innovation Division is responsible for leading and supporting innovative practice across government, and for leading the \$755 million Advance Queensland initiative to foster innovation and entrepreneurialism, capitalise on our natural advantages and help raise Queensland's profile as an attractive investment destination.

The service area provides support to build a more collaborative and effective innovation ecosystem in Queensland.

#### Tourism Industry Development

The Queensland Government tourism portfolio comprises DITID's Tourism Industry Development service area and TEQ. The department is the government's first advisor on tourism, and works closely with the private sector and across government to build the state's tourism infrastructure and create a favourable environment for the industry to grow.

The Tourism Industry Development service area promotes long-term growth of Queensland's tourism industry through two specialised service units – Tourism Division and Tourism Development Projects Division (TDPD – previously called the Special Projects Unit).

The divisions have well-established networks with industry, Queensland Government agencies and local governments, and work collaboratively with stakeholders and departmental colleagues to progress multi-year development projects from concept through to operation.

Tourism Division leads a strategic wholeof-government approach to planning and investment in the state's tourism infrastructure, assets and products, including supporting new projects, identifying new opportunities, risks and responses for the sector, enhancing industry capability and resilience, and the coordination and leveraging of key major events to generate jobs.

TDPD is a specialised work unit that achieves economic development outcomes through delivery of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Integrated Resort Development, regional GTH projects, ecotourism opportunities, the Minjerribah Futures Program, and other initiatives supported by government.

The Office of the Commonwealth Games resided within TDPD in 2018–2019 and finalised the delivery of the *Embracing 2018* Legacy Program, and the dissolution and transfer of residual assets and information of GOLDOC on 31 December 2018.

#### Our strategic direction for 2019–2023

To take advantage of strategic opportunities, the department reviewed the *Strategic Plan 2018–2022* through a series of collaborative divisional workshops with key stakeholders. Valued insights from stakeholders presented the department with the opportunity to redirect effort, reduce complexity and duplication of divisional activities where possible, and to simplify the plan's design. The department was also able to consolidate strategic objectives, and increase collaboration through new shared strategies across service areas.

The department launched a new strategic plan in July 2019 and our 2019–2020 annual report will reflect our achievement against this new plan.

#### Our key priorities for 2019-2020

The department's key priorities for 2019–2020 are to:

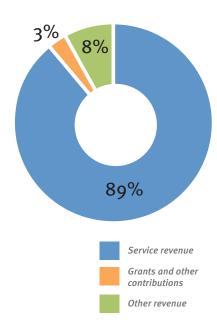
- continue to deliver the Advancing Tourism 2016–2020: Growing Queensland Jobs strategy to drive tourism growth
- begin construction on the Wangetti Trail, a 94-kilometre walking and mountain biking track through Tropical North Queensland coast and hinterland
- progress initiatives under the Growing Tourism, Growing Tourism Jobs policy:
  - \$48.6 million Attracting Tourism Fund, including a \$10 million allocation for attracting aviation
  - \$46 million for new infrastructure, including the \$36 million Growing Tourism Infrastructure Program and the \$10 million Outback Tourism Infrastructure Fund
- progress the \$25 million GBR Island Resorts
   Rejuvenation Program
- progress the \$25 million Great Keppel Island Rejuvenation Pilot to deliver tourism infrastructure improvements
- progress market approaches for GTHs in Cairns and the Gold Coast, and ongoing management of contractual obligation for the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Integrated Resort Development
- support the whole-of-government response to Central Queensland bushfires, and monsoon flooding in north and north-west Queensland
- continue to deliver the Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island) Economic Transition Strategy
- continue to deliver the Advance Queensland initiative to accelerate innovation in Queensland's economy.



# THE DEPARTMENT REPORTED A **BALANCED BUDGET POSITION** AND **OPERATING RESULT**FOR 2018–2019.

# 3. OUR FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

This financial summary provides an overview of DITID's financial performance for 2018–2019. A more comprehensive view of DITID's financial performance is provided in the financial statements included in this Annual Report. Administrative Arrangements Order (No.1) 2019 detail changes to the department's title, effective from 20 September 2019. As financial statements are retrospective of the 2018-2019 financial year, they are reported and approved by the Queensland Audit Office under the former agency title of the Department of Innovation, Tourism Industry Development and the Commonwealth Games.



#### 2018–2019 Statement of Assurance

In accordance with the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*, the Chief Finance Officer has provided the Director-General with a statement that DITID's financial internal controls are operating efficiently, effectively and economically.

DITID actively manages its financial risks and liabilities, and is financially well-positioned to meet its objectives as outlined in the DITID Strategic Plan 2018–2022.

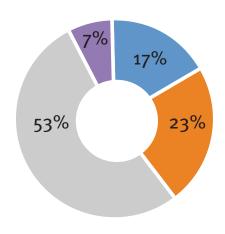
#### **Operating result**

The department reported a balanced budget position and operating result for 2018-2019.

DITID was primarily funded by parliamentary appropriations (departmental services revenue) of \$133 million (89%), with the remaining funding consisting of \$4.6 million (3%) from grants and other contributions, and \$12.6 million (8%) of other revenue consisting largely of returned prior year grant funds for GC2018 and the Whitsundays Cyclone Debbie Tourism Recovery Fund.

# THE DEPARTMENT'S TOTAL **OPERATING EXPENSES** FOR THE YEAR WERE \$150.2 MILLION

#### Operating expenses for 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019



#### **Expenses**

Total operating expenses for the year were \$150.2 million including:

- \$26.1 million (17%) in employee costs
- \$34.0 million (23%) for supplies and services including contractors and consultants and accommodation leasing costs
- \$80.0 million (53%) in grants payments including grants paid to TEQ for delivery of tourism programs and payments made to industry and universities for Advance Queensland initiatives
- \$10.1 million (7%) in other expenses including depreciation and deferred appropriation funding received by DITID that remained unspent at year end.



#### Capital expenditure

The department made capital grant payments of \$8.3 million in 2018–2019.

This includes expenditure for the Museum of Underwater Art, Tourism Demand Driver Infrastructure program, Tourism Recovery Fund, Outback Tourism Infrastructure Fund, GBR Island Resources Rejuvenation program, Australian Workers Heritage Centre in Barcaldine, the Mowbray North section of the Wangetti Trail and post-GC2018 venues works.

#### **Administered funds**

Administered funds are those where a department does not have control but is charged with administering the funds efficiently and effectively on a whole-of-government basis.

During 2018–2019, DITID received administered appropriation revenues of \$103.4 million and made grant payments to TEQ for this amount.

#### Outlook for 2019—2020

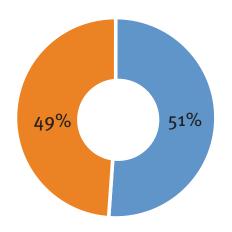
#### Operating budget

Total expenses are estimated to be \$224.5 million in 2019–2020. This represents an increase of \$74.3 million when compared to actual 2018–2019 expenses of \$150.2 million.

The increase is mainly due to additional expenses for Advance Queensland, Advancing Tourism Fund, GBR Island Resources Rejuvenation Program, Connecting with Asia Strategy, GTHs and Integrated Resort Developments and the Great Keppel Island Rejuvenation Pilot.

# DURING 2018–2019, DITID'S SERVICES WERE ALIGNED INTO TWO SERVICE AREAS

## The graph below provides a breakdown of operating expenses into service areas:



- Tourism Industry Development's objective is to promote long-term growth of the tourism industry by leading a strategic whole-of-government approach to planning and investment in the state's tourism infrastructure, assets and products, and coordinating and leveraging major events to generate jobs.
- Advancing Queensland through Innovation's objective is to drive economic growth and job creation through innovation, harnessing Queensland's research strengths and entrepreneurial spirit and using new technology, capital and ideas to support business and industry creation and growth.

The graph below provides a breakdown of operating expenses into service areas:

Tourism Industry Development (\$76.9 million or 51%)

Advancing Queensland through Innovation (\$73.3 million or 49%)

#### Capital expenditure

The 2019-2020 budget for capital expenditure is \$93.4 million and includes:

- \$23.1 million under the GBR Island Resources Rejuvenation Program to help industry rejuvenate the GBR island resorts and offer world-class experiences to visitors
- \$19.9 million under the Growing Tourism Infrastructure Fund to build resilient businesses, regions and communities by creating sustainable new jobs and increasing visitor expenditure through investment in tourism infrastructure
- \$16.4 million under the Great Keppel Island Rejuvenation Pilot to stimulate major tourism redevelopment through common user infrastructure

- \$14.4 million under the Attracting Tourism Fund to position Queensland as Australia's leading tourism destination by delivering landmark new tourism products and projects
- \$3.8 million under the Advance
   Queensland: Connecting with Asia initiative
   to grow tourism by developing new tourism
   products and projects
- \$3.4 million under the Outback Tourism Infrastructure Fund to build resilient businesses, regions and communities by creating sustainable new jobs and increasing visitor expenditure through investment in tourism infrastructure
- \$3.4 million under the Tourism Recovery
  Fund to help the tourism sector recover
  following the devastating impact of
  severe Tropical Cyclone Debbie to the
  Whitsunday region in March 2017.

Table 4: Statement of Comprehensive Income as at 30 June 2019

Controlled funds	Actual (1) \$'000	Budget <sup>(2)</sup> \$'000	Variance \$'ooo		
Income from continuing operations					
Appropriation revence for services	133,020	222,834	(89,814)1		
Grants and other contributions	4,552	-	4,552 <sup>2</sup>		
Other revenue	12,591	-	12,5913		
Total income from continuing operations	150,163	222,834	(72,671)		
Expenses from continuing operations Employee expenses	26,062	21,375	4,687 <sup>4</sup>		
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Supplies and services	33,964	48,191	(14,227) 5		
Grants and subsidies	79,957	152,406	(72,449) <sup>6</sup>		
Depreciation expenses	814	618	196		
Impairment losses	61	-	61		
Other expenses	9,305	244	9,0617		
Total expenses from continuing operations	150,163	222,834	(72,671)		
Operating result from continuing					

<sup>(1) 2018–2019</sup> Actual as per financial statements

- The decrease relates to changes to the timing of funding requirements for the GBR Island Resources Rejuvenation Program, Attracting Tourism Fund, Growing Tourism Infrastructure Fund, Great Keppel Island Rejuvenation Pilot, Connecting with Asia, Aviation Boost, Advance Queensland programs, GTH Integrated Resort Development and a decrease in activity for GC2018.
- 2. The increase relates largely to staff working across the department engaged through the whole-of-government Resource Sharing Model. Additionally, contributions were received from GC2018 savings for the Meeanjin Markets program and the Department of Housing and Public Works contributed towards a new fit out in Level 26, 111 George Street.
- The increase predominantly relates to the return of prior year grants expenditure for the GC2018 and the Tourism Recovery Fund. Also included is the recognition of rental revenue from tenants located within the Advance Queensland Valley Precinct.
- 4. The increase principally relates to the recognition of services received below fair value for officers from other Queensland Government Agencies working within the department through the whole-ofgovernment Resource Sharing Model process.
- The decrease relates largely to the timing of expenditure for the GTH Integrated Resort Development, Advance Queensland and Tourism programs and initiatives.
- 6. The decrease relates largely to the timing of expenditure for the GBR Island Resources Rejuvenation Program, Attracting Tourism Fund, Connecting with Asia, Growing Tourism Infrastructure Fund, Great Keppel Island Rejuvenation Pilot, the World Boxing Organisation Welterweight event and Advance Queensland program initiatives. This is partially offset by additional GC2018 post Games expenditure relating to transport infrastructure.
- The increase relates largely to an end of year payable to Consolidated Fund for the return of unspent appropriation revenue.

<sup>(2) 2018–2019</sup> Budget as per 2018–2019 Service Delivery Statements

**Table 5: Statement of Financial Position** as at 30 June 2019

Controlled funds	Actual <sup>(1)</sup> S'ooo	Budget <sup>(2)</sup> \$'000	Variance \$'ooo
Current assets	•	<del>- 3</del> 000	
Cash and cash equivalents	12,338	7,900	4,438 <sup>8</sup>
Receivables	3,369	6,538	3,169 <sup>9</sup>
Other assets	255	171	84
Total current assets	15,963	14,609	1,353
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	4,777	3,511	1,266 10
Otherassets	1,427	1,033	394
Total non-current assets	6,203	4,544	1,660
Total assets	22,166	19,153	3,013
Current liabilities			
Payables	13,633	8,525	(5,108) 11
Accrued employee benefits	1,002	955	(47)
Accrued employee benefits  Other current liabilities	1,002 2,025	955 529	(47) (1,496) 12
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Other current liabilities	2,025	529	(1,496) <sup>12</sup>
Other current liabilities  Total current liabilities	2,025	529	(1,496) 12
Other current liabilities  Total current liabilities  Non-current liabilities	2,025 <b>16,660</b>	529 <b>10,009</b>	(1,496) <sup>12</sup> (6,651)
Other current liabilities  Total current liabilities  Non-current liabilities  Other non current liabilities	2,025 16,660 3,218	529 <b>10,009</b> 2,587	(1,496) 12 (6,651) (631) 12
Other current liabilities  Total current liabilities  Non-current liabilities  Other non current liabilities  Total non-current liabilities	2,025 16,660 3,218 3,218	529 10,009 2,587 2,587	(1,496) 12 (6,651) (631) 12 (631)

<sup>(1) 2018–2019</sup> Actual as per financial statements

- 8. The increase in cash relates largely to an end of year payable to Queensland Treasury for appropriation revenues.
- 9. The decrease relates mainly to trade debtors for the Connecting with Asia program and an inter-departmental transfer receivable with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries due to realignment of corporate services following the 2017 machinery-of-government changes.
- The increase relates largely to the recognition of a new leasehold fit out asset for the Advance Queensland Valley Precinct.
- The increase relates largely to an end of year payable to Queensland Treasury for appropriation.
- The increase relates largely to additional Incentive Liabilities for the Advance Queensland Valley Precinct and a provision for future years GOLDOC expenditure commitments.

<sup>(2) 2018–2019</sup> Budget as per 2018–2019 Service Delivery Statements



# SKYBORNE TECHNOLOGIES PTY LTD

Queensland is building a reputation as the 'go-to' state for defence and security solutions. The Defence Cooperative Research Centre for Trusted Autonomous Systems opened in Brisbane in 2019.

The research centre will play a crucial role in developing the capability of Queensland-based firms specialising in autonomous systems, and will bring local businesses together with the defence force, industry and researchers to develop drones, autonomous systems and technologies.

Skyborne Technologies, an Ignite Ideas recipient, is a great example of a company cementing Queensland's reputation as a world leader of innovative drone technology. Skyborne has successfully leveraged government support to attract significant international attention. Since gaining Ignite Ideas funding in 2017, Skyborne has advanced the development of its Cerberus GL, a tri-tilt-rotor tactical unmanned aerial vehicle that has the capability to provide user aerial support on the battlefield, with applications in defence, counter-terrorism and law enforcement.

In May 2019, the company successfully attracted US\$2.45 million in international capital investment from a private investor to support the growth of the company and continued technical development of the Cerberus GL project. The company has also been invited to participate in a defence training exercise with the United States army in 2020.

In 2017, Skyborne Technologies was awarded \$100,000 in Ignite Ideas funding to help develop and deliver the unmanned aerial vehicle to interested parties. Skyborne Chief Executive Officer and Director Dr Michael Creagh said their recent capital raising exercise was made easier by the recognition and support of the Queensland Government.

Since the government first partnered with Skyborne in 2017, they have created an extra 10 positions in Brisbane and are scaling up to export their technology overseas. With the continued support from the Queensland Government, Skyborne will contribute to strengthening Queensland's defence and manufacturing industries with great export potential.

# 4. OUR SERVICE PERFORMANCE

The following section provides details of the department's performance against the **2018–2019 Budget Paper No. 5 – Service Delivery Statements** as at 30 June 2019, including results against annual performance targets.

The department's service structure for 2018–2019 as at 30 June 2019 is as follows.				
Service area	Service area objective			
Advancing Queensland through Innovation	To drive economic growth and job creation through innovation, harnessing Queensland's research strengths and entrepreneurship and using new technology, capital and ideas to support business and industry creation and growth.			
Tourism Industry Development	To promote long-term growth of the tourism industry by facilitating a strategic whole-of-government approach to planning and investment in the state's tourism infrastructure, assets and products, and the coordination and leveraging of key major events to generate jobs.			

SKYBORNE TECHNOLOGIES,
AN IGNITE IDEAS RECIPIENT, IS A GREAT EXAMPLE OF A COMPANY CEMENTING
QUEENSLAND'S REPUTATION AS
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DRONE TECHNOLOGY.

#### ADVANCING QUEENSLAND THROUGH INNVOVATION

#### **Overview**

To drive economic growth and job creation through innovation, harnessing Queensland's research strengths and entrepreneurship and using new technology, capital and ideas to support business and industry creation and growth.

#### Our areas of focus are to:

- inspire Queenslanders to engage with science and technology, and entrepreneurship
- connect Queenslanders to world-leading local and international innovators through initiatives that encourage collaboration and build the entrepreneurial ecosystem
- invest in Queensland innovation through programs to encourage seed funding, venture capital and emerging industries
- grow the competitiveness of our businesses, industries and regions through initiatives to accelerate growth and unlock new markets and opportunities
- encourage greater innovation in government and grow government as a lead customer for emerging technologies.

#### **Our performance**

In 2018–2019, the department administered more than 40 innovation programs and activities, assessed more than 1,100 applications and approved more than 180 grants or other opportunities.

The initiative encompasses the delivery of a suite of diverse programs and activities, led by multiple agencies across the Queensland Government. Over the life of the initiative and as at 30 June 2019, DITID has committed \$245 million to back more than 1,260 innovators, with their projects directly supporting more than 10,000 jobs across Queensland.

Driven by the Advance Queensland initiative, Queensland's innovation system has matured significantly in the past four years. Programs such as Advance Queensland Research Fellowships have increased the pipeline of new research. The Ignite Ideas Fund and related capability development programs, such as Innovate Queensland, have assisted local businesses to commercialise new ideas, creating new products and services.

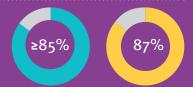
# OBJECTIVE: THE INNOVATION DIVISION PROVIDES SUPPORT TO BUILD A MORE COLLABORATIVE AND EFFECTIVE INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM IN QUEENSLAND.

#### Table 8: Performance against our service standards

The following service standards in DITID's *Service Delivery Statements* 2018–2019 were used by the department and the State Government to assess the service area's overall performance.



Proportion of stakeholders who are satisfied with innovation and commercialisation consultative and engagement processes <sup>1</sup>







Percentage of collaboration opportunities identified by participants of innovation programs/events <sup>2</sup>

Percentage of Advance Queensland funding recipients satisfied with contract management services provided for related grant programs (overall satisfaction) 3,4



1:1.25

1:1.25

Ratio of investment leveraged as a result of Queensland Government funding invested 5

#### Notes

- 1. This services standard is a measure of departmental engagement activities and programs that aim to build entrepreneurial capacity and capability. Departmental clients and customers include, but are not limited to, startups and entrepreneurs, industry, commercial/business interests, researchers and research institutes, government and community groups. Aspects measured include timeliness, quality, access, staff, outcomes and overall satisfaction.
- 2. Facilitating collaboration and enabling development of partnerships are recognised as key strategies and enablers for driving economic growth and job creation. This service standard is a proxy effectiveness measure that measures potential new collaboration opportunities and partnerships identified by attendees and/or participants of innovation events designed to foster collaboration. Attendees and participants include key innovation system participants, including, but not limited to, startups, entrepreneurs, business/industry, research centres, universities and government. Participants are surveyed after events to identify if they are likely to form new collaborations and/or partnerships as a result of the event. The measure indicates the proportion of participants who reported potential new collaboration opportunities and/or partnerships.
- 3. This service standard is a measure of the effectiveness in providing contract management services (from application through to project completion) to recipients of Advance Queensland funding provided via competitive funding programs. The wording of this measure has been amended to clarify that the recipients only relate to Advance Queensland programs administered by DITID. The change in wording has not resulted in a change to the calculation methodology of the measure.
- 4. Included in this service standard are departmental innovation funding programs that deliver on the vision and objectives of Advance Queensland. Recipients include, but are not limited to, startups and entrepreneurs, industry, commercial/business interests, researchers and research institutes, government and community groups. The services provided are required to effectively deliver government programs to stakeholders, manage funding awarded and monitor achievement of outcomes. Aspects measured include timeliness, ease of access, staff, quality, outcomes/outputs and overall satisfaction.
- 5. This service standard is an indicator of the efficient use of government funding to leverage private/ commercial/ philanthropic/ Australian Government sector investments. The 2018–2019 Target/Estimate reflects that \$1.25 will be leveraged for every \$1 of government funds invested in programs designed to attract external investment. Investment sources include, but are not limited to, startups, entrepreneurs, business/industry, research centres, universities and other government jurisdictions.

# WE FOSTERED INNOVATION TO GROW INDUSTRY AND ATTRACT SKILLS, TALENT AND INVESTMENT BY:

- awarding close to 70 Round 4 Ignite Ideas
  Fund grants to allow recipients to turn their
  great ideas into commercial reality, and
  made further funding available with the
  opening of Round 5 in March 2019
- completing the 2,500m<sup>2</sup> expansion at The Precinct in Fortitude Valley, taking the total floor space to approximately 7,700m<sup>2</sup>
- supporting the delivery of QODE, the innovation festival which attracted more than 160 exhibitors and 2,800 trade visitors over two days, with 13 Queensland regions represented and mentoring support provided to 40 people throughout QODE Mentoring Moments
- appointing Leanne Kemp as Queensland's first female Chief Entrepreneur
- supporting a partnership with Griffith University and Germany's leading research body, the Fraunhofer Institute, to develop solutions for antibiotic resistant drugs
- launching the first phase of the Female Founders program, including one-on-one mentoring and advisory board support for female founders to take their business to the next level

- 25 Queensland companies graduating, under the Growing Queensland Companies program. More than 40 Chief Executive Officers participated in Growth Clinics in 2018–2019, with 166 companies having taken part in Growth Clinics since commencement. More than 50 companies took part in growth workshops in Townsville, the Gold Coast and Toowoomba. Growth Clinics were also conducted on the Sunshine Coast, reaffirming the strong regional reach of the program
- supporting innovators to solve complex
   Queensland Government challenges,
   including Boosting Coral Abundance on
   the GBR, in collaboration with the Australian
   Government Department of Environment
   and Energy and the Queensland Department
   of Environment and Science, and Optimising
   Medication Use in the Emergency
   Department, in collaboration with the
   Metro North Hospital and Health Service
- hosting Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) faculty and international teams participating in the MIT Regional Entrepreneurship Acceleration Program (REAP). Delegates included 20 members of the MIT faculty and professional staff, and 70 ecosystem leaders from around the world
- supporting the Queensland University of Technology to host the 2019 MIT Innovation and Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for budding entrepreneurs. More than 90 Queensland, national and international participants descended into Brisbane for the one-week intensive bootcamp

### LEANNE KEMP IS QUEENSLAND'S FIRST FEMALE CHIEF ENTREPRENEUR

- leading Queensland's delegation of more than 120 life sciences industry representatives to the BIO International Convention in the United States to showcase Queensland's capabilities to the world
- funding the Life Sciences Queensland Catalyst program to provide opportunities for innovators in the life sciences sector to grow ideas and their companies
- awarding close to 20 scholarships through the Advance Queensland TAFE Queensland Pathways Scholarships Program
- providing funding support towards
   Alzheimer's disease treatment, led by the
   Clem Jones Centre for Ageing and Dementia
   Research
- supporting the 2019 HYPE SPIN Lab program at The University of Queensland, giving startups access to global brands, international clubs and global sportstech mentors within a sports dedicated accelerator program
- establishing QCN Fibre, a jointly owned subsidiary company of Powerlink Queensland and Energy Queensland, charged with providing low-cost internet backhaul to telecommunications carriers and internet service providers in regional Queensland
- launching the Women's Research
   Assistance Program to support female scientists within Queensland-based research organisations maintain their research when they are on maternity or adoption leave

- supporting innovators to participate in Startup Catalyst missions, which immerse participants in the unique culture of high growth entrepreneurial businesses in global innovation hotspots
- launching the Office of the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur's Adopt-a-Chief program to give Queensland startups the chance to leverage Chief Entrepreneur Leanne Kemp's business experience. The initiative included an Indigenous round to support an Indigenous Queensland entrepreneur
- providing learning and support to
   Queensland startups and entrepreneurs
   with close to 40 events led by the Office of
   the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur, which
   attracted more than 3,000 attendees.
   The events focused on raising capital,
   attracting and sourcing talent, Blockchain
   technologies, assisting female founders,
   international exports and growth
- undertaking a detailed analysis of innovation and business support programs currently available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, to inform the development of the *Deadly Innovation* Strategy
- launching a TAFE Pathways Scholarship Program to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to participate in adult training and further their study.



# G01

Corporate education startup GO1 first received Advance Queensland funding in 2016, and recently raised more than \$30 million in Series B funding led by Microsoft's venture capital arm, M12, and SEEK. It marks the first-ever investment in the Asia-Pacific region by M12 and is a significant milestone considering the \$10 million in Series A funding already raised.

Since launching in 2015, GO1 has made steady inroads across global markets to become an established leader in online learning and education, working alongside some of the largest companies in the world and covering a wide range of industries and regions.

GO1 co-founder, Vu Tran, said funding received from the Queensland Government at the beginning of their startup journey was integral to going global.

The Ignite Ideas funding helped commercialise a mobile application of the GO1 training platform that provided an enhanced mobile experience for customers and their employees to access compliance and professional development training remotely.

Further funding under the Advance Queensland Business Development Fund helped to increase sales and enabled early expansion into the United States and Asia. GO1's marketplace of content has more than tripled in the last year and revenues continue to grow at an impressive rate. GO1's users, content catalogue and recurring revenue streams have doubled in size since last year. GO1 now has 500,000 different courses available and has expanded into the United Kingdom and United States markets, opening offices in London, San Francisco and Utah.

Mr Tran believes the support GO1 received from Advance Queensland provided countless opportunities to build on its initial success and continues to accelerate growth. The GO1 platform development is spearheaded from GO1's head office in Underwood, Queensland, and the team now comprises more than 100 people. Continued expansion in Queensland is expected in the coming year.

# BUSINESS AND INVESTOR CONFIDENCE TO LEVERAGE PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT AND ATTRACTION BY:

- partnering with the Australian Government to establish the first Defence Cooperative Research Centre for Trusted Autonomous Systems. Two Queensland small-to-medium enterprises and a major Queensland university are already engaged with the research centre to develop drone technology for our Defence Force
- through a partnership with Boeing Defence Australia, 15 Queensland small-to-medium enterprises have been engaged as part of their autonomous system project. More than \$4 million has been investment in Queensland small-to-medium enterprises through this project
- awarding 30 recipients under the Advance Queensland Industry Research Fellowships program to work with industry partners on projects that will benefit Queensland.

# WE BUILT ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS SECTORS THROUGH INDUSTRY COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIPS BY:

- supporting regional hubs to deliver the Startup Onramp program in seven regional areas
- assisting local economies to create jobs for regional Queenslanders through the Advancing Regional Innovation Program
- launching the Coral Sea Clinical Research
  Institute in Mackay to undertake clinical
  trials for coeliac disease and secure a
  pipeline of further biopharmaceutical and
  commercial clinical trials, building regional
  capability and boosting the economy in
  regional Queensland.

# INNOVATION IN THE REGIONS

Working with Queensland University of Technology, the Queensland Government has been able to bring the MIT REAP to Queensland. The two-year program with MIT identifies interventions to transform Queensland into a globally leading innovation hub, helping the regions to diversify and capture new and emerging business opportunities.

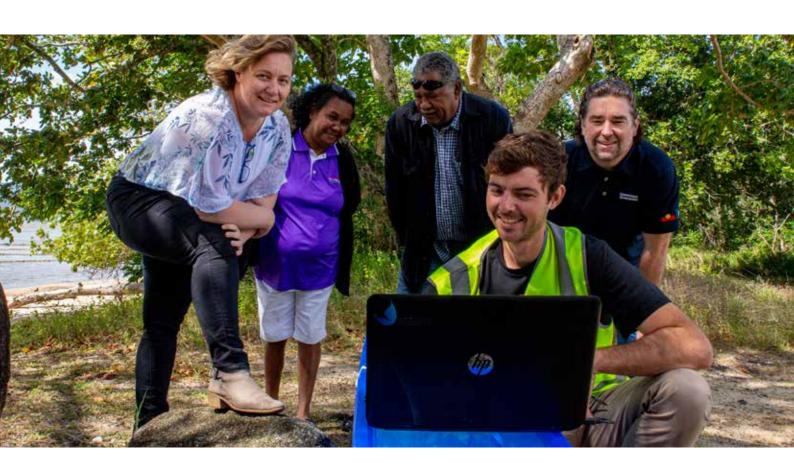
In 2019, the REAP framework was extended to provide pilot funding in three regions — Gladstone, Mackay and Toowoomba. The three pilot regions have been identified as critical to the growth of Queensland's burgeoning tech industry, with each region to receive funding of up to \$100,000 for programs to support growing businesses. MIT has the world's leading experts in innovation and this initiative connects the best brains in the world with Queensland's strong local economies.

Another strong advocate of innovation in the regions is the Queensland Chief Entrepreneur, Leanne Kemp. Since being appointed Queensland's first female Chief Entrepreneur in October 2018, Leanne has travelled extensively throughout regional Queensland, meeting

almost 2,000 innovative Queenslanders and seeing how grassroots knowledge and Advance Queensland programs are fuelling new ideas and, in turn, creating new jobs that grow our sustainable communities.

Leanne firmly believes Queensland's economy is driven by the talent in our regions, and as the Chief Entrepreneur, she plays a vital role in promoting the importance and contribution of entrepreneurship and investment across all of Queensland.

Leanne believes establishing new networks for collaboration and the mobilisation of commitment will require strong partnerships between government, industry, researchers, investors and innovators. Clusters, precincts and supply chains across sectors and disciplines are diversifying our regional economies, creating more sustainable regions to harness new opportunities for economic growth across the state.





# NATURO PTY LTD

Sunshine Coast food technology company Naturo (trading as the Wholey Milk Company) is an example of the extraordinary innovation happening in Queensland's agricultural and food sector.

Naturo received Advance Queensland funding to accelerate the commercialisation of its globally patented technology for processing fresh refrigerated milk. The process gives refrigerated milk a long shelf life – safe for consumption for 60 days – and does not compromise the taste or quality of the product, meaning it can be transported by sea across the world.

Queensland's agricultural sector faces continuing challenges and global markets are extremely competitive. To combat the challenges and remain competitive into the future clearly depends on innovation in finding value-added products, unique markets and clever solutions to product or market opportunities.

As recipients of the fourth round of the Ignite Ideas Fund, Naturo Milk has experienced first-hand how the right government support can help startups grow and take their innovations to the next level.

Naturo Chief Executive Officer, Jeff Hastings, said, 'The Queensland Government plays a key role in the innovation and entrepreneurial space for both the funding that it provides and the connections it presents to help innovators complete whatever project they are working on. The involvement of Advance Queensland is both helpful financially and critical in terms of opening doors and introducing marketing channels to new businesses.'

Naturo will draw on the key benefits of its milk product — its long shelf-life — to take its product and the technology behind it to the global market.

Three new jobs have been supported by this project with another nine new positions anticipated at the end of the project.



# GREAT BARRIER REEF SUSTAINABILITY

The Great Barrier Reef (GBR) is vital in terms of its environmental and economic value to Queensland; however, it is facing a range of threats including climate change, cyclones, land-based run-off, illegal fishing, Crown-of-Thorns starfish outbreaks and marine debris.

Advance Queensland is focused on addressing the big challenges facing Queensland, including protecting the GBR. Advance Queensland invests in research to help Queensland's best and brightest minds focus on pressing issues such as coral bleaching and increasing nitrogen and sediment levels in the water entering the GBR.

The Industry Research Fellowships program is investing in eight research projects, valued at \$1.17 million, to better understand and protect the reef.

Dr David Blondeau-Patissier from the CSIRO's Aquatic Remote Sensing Group was awarded a fellowship to develop an automated process for detecting oil pollution on the reef. Dr Juan Ortiz from the Australian Institute of Marine Science is developing an integrated suite of tools and programs to assist the GBR Marine Park Authority better manage the reef ecosystem.

Funding is also directed towards other priority science and innovation areas, such as agriculture, to help manage the reef ecosystem. For example, Industry Research Fellowship recipient Dr Paul Luckman from The University of Queensland's School of Chemical Engineering is developing modified starch materials for next-generation sugarcane fertilisers. These fertilisers will be engineered to absorb excess nitrogen, which currently finds its way into the waters of the reef.

Advance Queensland is currently supporting two PhD scholars to undertake valuable reef research. Bettina Glasl from James Cook University's Townsville campus is developing an early warning system for reef ecosystem health using microbes, which can then be used for GBR report cards and reef health indices.

Not only will these projects help protect one of the great wonders of the world, they will also help protect the tens of thousands of Queenslanders who rely on the reef for their livelihoods.

#### **Looking forward**

In 2019–2020, the department will lead the Advance Queensland initiatives across government to support innovation-led growth and enhance Queensland's capacity to adapt and thrive, including:

- improving the quality and speed of the internet in regional Queensland through QCN Fibre
- piloting new regional approaches to encourage entrepreneurship and localised solutions to drive job creation
- promoting investment-ready Queensland startups and small-to-medium enterprises to international investors
- supporting market and investment-ready businesses to commercialise products, processes and services through the Ignite Ideas Fund
- building opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander innovators and businesses through the Deadly Innovation Strategy
- commencing work on establishing an industry robotics cluster in mining, defence and the environment

- targeting research funding on identified priorities, including water and energy sustainability, health care, climate change and the GBR
- supporting innovative, practical and applied research through the Industry Research Fellowships program
- fostering diversity in innovation by encouraging the success of female founders and researchers
- championing innovation in government and connecting innovators with government
- establishing an Artificial Intelligence Hub to grow Queensland's artificial intelligence community and leverage existing strengths
- accelerating the development of transformational technology projects through the IndustryTech Fund.

#### TOURISM INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

#### **Overview**

Tourism Industry Development provides leadership in making Queensland an attractive destination for visitors, investment and events. We work closely with the private sector and across government to build the state's tourism infrastructure and create a favourable environment for the industry to grow.

The service area also works with industry to attract project investment, develop new product and experiences, enhance industry capability and resilience, improve transportation through expanded access and services, and seize new opportunities while addressing current and emerging challenges.

The service area works across government to:

- develop and influence whole-of-government policy that creates an environment to support sustainable economic growth and jobs in the visitor economy
- partner with industry to increase the sector's competitiveness in global and domestic markets
- facilitate and manage the delivery of ecotourism projects to:
  - increase visitor access to and within Oueensland
  - develop new tourism infrastructure and products
  - attract investment into tourism infrastructure and products
- secure major events and lead and coordinate government support to ensure successful hosting and delivery to maximise the economic and social benefits for Queensland

- enable growth and jobs and facilitate largescale industrial development, infrastructure delivery and projects through efficient project assessment and commercial transactions, as well as planning, development and management of pivotal tourism development areas
- conduct early feasibility assessment of public and private projects of state significance for economic development
- partner with all levels of government, industry and community to facilitate more collaborative and cost-efficient uses of current assets and social infrastructure investment
- promote and generate regional economic development
- work closely with TEQ to showcase
   Queensland as an attractive destination for
   tourists, and a place to invest in tourism
   infrastructure, events and experiences.

#### Our performance

In 2018–2019, the department continued to drive growth in Queensland's tourism industry. We worked closely with the private sector and across government to build the state's tourism infrastructure and create a favourable environment for the industry to grow.

#### Table 8: Performance against our service standards

The following service standards in DITID's *Service Delivery Statements* 2018–2019 were used by the department and the State Government to assess the service area's overall performance.



600,000

650,000

Inbound seat capacity supported by route development programs <sup>2, 3</sup>

Grow International overnight visitor expenditure in Queensland supported by tourism development programs 4, 5

\$60 million

\$110 million

\$144 million

\$706 million

Amount of additional capital attracted into tourism investment 7

Value of capital investment being developed or delivered through the department's facilitated tourism infrastructure projects <sup>8</sup>





\$1:\$168

\$1:\$1030

Ratio of tourism investment attraction costs to the value of direct capital attracted 7

#### Notes

Infrastructure Development <sup>6</sup>

- 1. The structure of this service area has been changed from the 2018–2019 Service Delivery Statement. The services Industry Development and Infrastructure

  Development have been removed to reflect the work of the service area across government and industry relating to visitor access, tourism infrastructure and industry

  development, to create the conditions for a successful tourism industry and to grow the number of visitors to Queensland.
- 2. This service standard measures additional airline capacity under the following funds the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund, Connecting with Asia and Attracting Tourism Fund. The service standard is calculated to include seats over the life of the agreement.
- 3. The 2018–2019 Estimated Actual for this service standard includes additional seat capacity from services supported by Attracting Aviation Investment Fund in response to market demand.
- 4. This service standard is an estimate of growth in overnight visitor expenditure from activities funded under Connecting with Asia to attract additional overnight visitors.
- 5. The 2018–2019 Estimated Actual for this service standard reflects an increase in average spend an average length of stay which resulted in a higher growth in overnight visitor experience.
- 6. Tourism Infrastructure Development, delivered through the Tourism Development Projects unit focuses on facilitating investment, and supporting the development and delivery of key infrastructure projects. This includes the transfer of Global Tourism Hub development, and the rejuvenation of the GBR Island Resorts to enhance visitors' experience of Queensland.
- 7. The 2018–2019 Estimated Actual for this service standard has reported a significant increase due to a high number of projects reaching completion, as well as several 4–5 star hotel projects having commenced construction as a result of increased development incentives.
- 8. Capital investment amounts reported include that contributed from private sector entities for development and delivery of Global Tourism Hubs including Integrated Resort Development that may include casino licences.

### WE LEVERAGED BENEFITS OF MAJOR EVENTS, TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION TO MAXIMISE THE POTENTIAL OF QUEENSLAND'S VISITOR ECONOMY BY:

- supporting the acquisition of new events to Queensland such as the National Rugby League Magic Round
- delivering world sport and business summit event SportAccord 2019 in May. More than 1,500 representatives from more than 500 organisations attended annual general assemblies and participated in a two-day international sport convention
- hosting a government and industry networking event to celebrate Australian Football League in Queensland, including profiling and promoting AFL Women's and women's sport
- closing legacy projects and completing GC2018 evaluation reports, including assessing *Trade 2018*, *Festival 2018*, the Games time visitor survey, the *Reconciliation Action Plan* and the Griffith University economic impact report
- continuing promotion of GC2018 legacy benefits through media opportunities and social media
- dissolving GOLDOC on 31 December 2018, including transfer of finances and assets to DITID, and continuing the wind-up of the Office of the Commonwealth Games, including managing the continuation of legacy projects and planning for continued evaluation of the GC2018 legacy
- preparing the post Games Report, released in April 2019, providing a comprehensive report on the outcomes of GC2018, and the audited Special Purpose Financial Report.



# WE HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND ACROSS GOVERNMENT TO BUILD THE STATE'S TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE AND CREATE A FAVOURABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE INDUSTRY TO GROW.



## YOUNG TOURISM LEADERS

The Young Tourism Leaders program is focused on showcasing to young people the diverse, exciting and stable career opportunities that the tourism industry offers.

2018–2019 was another exciting year for our 30 Young Tourism Leaders as they travelled the state engaging with young people, making presentations in schools and careers events.

Based across our 13 tourism regions, Young Tourism Leaders shared the story of their career journey and shared tips and advice on how to kick-start a career in tourism. Young Tourism Leader, Grace Elliott, based in Winton, has inspired students in schools in western Queensland, including a visit to four schools in Charters Towers, with her career in outback tourism that has led to her current role as the Education Coordinator at the Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum.

Similarly, Young Tourism Leader and Director of Beverage at The Star Gold Coast, Jai Leighton, was active promoting tourism careers to high school students throughout the Gold Coast region, engaged with tertiary students at Griffith University and had a speaking opportunity at the Gold Coast Careers Expo.

In 2018–2019, leaders delivered presentations at 85 schools, TAFEs and universities, reaching 6,265 students. They participated in 15 careers expos and education events attracting 1,857 students, and four tourism industry events.

Social media channels are used to engage young people with featuring events, what leaders are doing in their jobs, and information on career and training opportunities, while *DestinationQ* social media promotes school engagement activities.



# DAYDREAM ISLAND

2018–2019 was an exciting year for tourism infrastructure investment in Queensland, with new internationally branded hotel stock coming online and the development of world-class attractions and venues. Revitalisation of our magnificent GBR island resorts is progressing well, along with investment in game-changing access infrastructure, including upgraded airports and new cruise facilities.

Attraction of new investment and delivery of new products in Queensland is the result of a long-term approach and engagement by DITID.

The reopening of the Daydream Island Resort in the Whitsundays in April 2019, after a \$140 million upgrade, was a celebration of the importance of the state's long-term approach to tourism investment attraction and working in partnership with investors to see projects realised. Daydream Island was actively showcased by the Tourism Investment Attraction Unit, and China Capital Investment Group (CCIG) selected the island as its first investment outside of China.

The department continued to work with CCIG and across government to streamline the development process, supporting CCIG to attain Prescribed Project Status.

CCIG was also successful in obtaining joint state and federal funding for the development of a new educational coral propagation facility on Daydream Island, and for the restoration of cyclone damaged sites including Lovers Cove. In the words of CCIG, 'Queensland's Tourism Department has been there every step of the way. They share our commitment to ensuring the GBR continues to be enjoyed as one of the world's must-see destinations.'

The resort opening is testament to the importance of having both a strategic focus by the department and active collaboration with investors to deliver new product.

The Tourism Investment Attraction Unit continues to build on a pipeline of more than \$14 billion worth of tourism infrastructure projects across the state to strengthen Queensland's position as the best place to experience Australia.

# WE FOSTERED INNOVATION TO GROW INDUSTRY AND ATTRACT SKILLS, TALENT AND INVESTMENT BY:

- co-designing the Tourism Business
   Capability Program with industry partners to support all Queensland tourism businesses to build digital and trade capability
- continuing to deliver the Young Tourism Leaders program, with 30 leaders across the state inspiring young people to consider pursuing a career in tourism
- partnering with TEQ and the Queensland Tourism Industry Council to deliver the DestinationQ Forum attracting more than 600 delegates.

# WE IMPROVED **BUSINESS AND INVESTOR**CONFIDENCE TO **LEVERAGE PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT** AND ATTRACTION BY:

- facilitating investment into new hotels and venues, including:
  - \$240 million W Hotel Brisbane
  - \$200 million Howard Smith Wharves precinct, including the \$70 million Fantauzzo Hotel
  - \$200 million Westin Hotel
  - \$10 million Sunshine Coast Convention Centre
- working to support revitalisation of island resorts across the GBR, with more than \$800 million of private sector investment planned or underway and \$275 million of investment realised in the Whitsunday region. Whitsunday Island resorts which have reopened include:
  - \$140 million Daydream Island Resort
  - \$135 million Intercontinental Hayman Island Resort
  - Elysian on Long Island

# WE IMPROVED **BUSINESS AND INVESTOR**CONFIDENCE TO **LEVERAGE PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT** AND ATTRACTION BY:

- developing a detailed business case for the delivery of power and water connections for Great Keppel Island, securing new interest in investment for the redevelopment of the island
- opening the \$38.6 million Attracting
   Tourism Fund for applications. The Mowbray
   North section of the Wangetti Trail and the
   development of the Quandamooka Art,
   Museum and Performance Institute on
   Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island) are
   the first two projects to receive funding
- supporting projects on 10 island destinations across the GBR through the GBR Island Resorts Rejuvenation program, together with a network of Queensland Government case managers to work with island resort owners and operators to streamline their engagement across all levels of government
- undertaking an analysis of key regulatory and policy issues impacting on the commercial and operational viability of GBR island resorts to inform future work and initiatives to support sustainable tourism development.

- delivering the Outback Tourism
   Infrastructure Fund supporting 15 projects
   in the Outback. Examples include:
  - five star eco-lodges in Longreach
  - Outback Gondwana Foundation –
     Dinosaur Interpretation Infrastructure
  - Maranoa Regional Council The Bigger Big Rig and Tree Walk
  - Cobbold Gorge Tours Glass Bottom Bridge
- delivering the Growing Tourism Infrastructure Program supporting 13 projects across Queensland, to be completed by 30 June 2021.
   Examples include:
  - City of Gold Coast artificial reef and dive attraction
  - Cruise Whitsundays Reefworld pontoon and diving activities
  - XBrisbane: Story Bridge Adventures new outdoor activities
  - Australia Zoo Camp Croc Hunter Project
  - Qantas Foundation Luminescent Longreach Project
  - Ewamian Aboriginal Corporation
     Talaroo Hot Springs tours and accommodation



#### TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE MEETS MODERN COMMUNICATIONS

The Quandamooka people's vision for a 'glad tomorrow' has inspired a unique partnership between the Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC) and the Queensland Government's Minjerribah Futures communications team.

As the ongoing Custodians of Country, the Quandamooka People's aspirations for the preservation of Minjerribah's (North Stradbroke Island) environment and the economic future of their community are at the forefront of all economic planning for the future of the island.

QYAC, along with Redland City Council and Straddie Chamber of Commerce, has partnered with the Queensland Government to deliver the Minjerribah Futures initiative, which assists the economic transition of the island from its traditional reliance on sand mining to a more sustainable future as a cultural and ecotourism destination.

This partnership has involved the Minjerribah Futures communications team working closely with QYAC's senior management to share

Traditional Owner values of caring for country, culture and people with the wider community, as well as telling more of the great stories coming from QYAC and Queensland Government programs.

More than great headlines, the partnership has fostered a strong exchange of knowledge, skills and experiences. The communications team has been able to learn from Land and Sea Rangers about the core values of caring for country and the benefits Traditional Owners are bringing to national park management, hear and share the stories of Songman Joshua Walker and work closely with QYAC trainees at events.

Meanwhile, the QYAC team have leveraged the Minjerribah Future's team's knowledge of digital communications, marketing and media to grow their audience, improve community engagement and share more of their great stories with more people.



Above: The Westin Brisbane. Photos courtesty of the Westin Brisbane

# WESTIN HOTEL, BRISBANE

On 8 November 2018, Queensland's first Westin hotel, The Westin Brisbane, was officially opened by the Honourable Kate Jones MP, Minister for Innovation and Tourism Industry Development and Minister for Cross River Rail, alongside Councillor Adrian Schrinner, Deputy Mayor, Brisbane City Council, Mr Paul Chong, hotel owner and Mr Brad Mercer, General Manager Sheraton Four Points and Brisbane Westin.

Along with the creation of 170 ongoing jobs - the 299 room hotel brings a new luxury brand experience to the city with Brisbane's first swim-up bar. Located in Mary Street, the hotel sits alongside the Four Points by Sheraton also owned by the Chong Family. Opening in 2014, the Four Points by Sheraton was the first internationally branded hotel to open in Brisbane in more than 15 years.

The Westin opening marked a big year for the city. Throughout 2018 eight hotels launched in and around the Brisbane CBD, representing private investment of around \$800 million, supporting close to 1,000 ongoing jobs.

This investment follows the successful *Brisbane Hotel Strategy* undertaken in partnership between DITID and Brisbane City Council.

Following this investment, the department is continuing its partnership with Brisbane City Council to leverage this new supply to bring new experiences and attractions to the region to increase overnight visitor expenditure and visitation.

- allocating an additional \$10 million in funding from the Attracting Tourism Fund to support new flights through the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund. Several new services have been attracted to Queensland including: four flights per week by Air Asia-X from Bangkok to Brisbane; two additional flights per week by Silk Air from Singapore to Cairns; three flights per week by Jetstar from Seoul to the Gold Coast, four flights per week between Chicago and Brisbane, and three flights per week between San Francisco and Brisbane
- commencement of domestic routes with high demand from international tourists, including three flights per week by Jetstar from Uluru to Brisbane, and three flights per week by Virgin from Brisbane to the Whitsundays

- implementing a number of projects through the Advance Queensland: Connecting with Asia initiative to attract more of the lucrative Chinese and other high-growth Asian markets, including:
  - Project 88, a pilot project working with Chinese digital payment platforms and providers to improve Chinese visitor experiences
  - Life Fi, a partnership with Surf Life Saving Queensland to deliver free Wi-Fi on Queensland beaches to improve water safety, particularly for non-English speaking international visitors.

# WE BUILT **ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES** ACROSS SECTORS THROUGH INDUSTRY COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIPS BY:

- leading the Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island) Economic Transition Strategy and agreed five priority projects, which are now being delivered with the Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation, alongside a Quandamooka Country Tourism Action Plan
- 90% completion of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Stage 1 construction, including the Mangrove Walk and upgrade of the bikeway along the river and Waterline Park
- finalising Queen's Wharf Brisbane Active Transport Integration Initiative (provided to the Department of Transport and Main Roads for consideration in its bikeway feasibility study)
- awarding preferred contractor for the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Integrated Resort Development Shell and Core contract in April 2019

- launching an Expression of Interest process for the private sector work to collaboratively with Traditional Owners to create new ecotourism opportunities at the Thorsborne Trail, Cooloola Great Walk and Whitsunday Island
- working to deliver the new Wangetti
  Trail, expected to create around 150 jobs
  and inject up to \$300 million into the
  Queensland economy once operational
- progressing the market process for the Tropical North GTH, which is expected to create as many as 2,300 additional jobs in the Cairns region
- commencing a competitive procurement process for a GTH on the Gold Coast
- progressing the Tropical North GTH project to the Request For Detailed Proposal phase, and issue of the request to shortlisted parties.

# WE CONTINUED TO BUILD THE STATE'S TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE AND STIMULATE BROAD INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE LONG-TERM FUTURE OF QUEENSLAND



#### CULTURAL TOURISM MAKES WAVES ON STRADBROKE ISLAND

Keen bushwalkers can now enjoy 36o-degree views of Moreton Bay and Quandamooka Country from a lookout atop one of Minjerribah's (North Stradbroke Island) highest peaks.

The new Mount Vane walking track, designed and constructed by Traditional Owners, the Quandamooka people, is one of the many projects supported by Minjerribah Futures, the Queensland Government's economic transition strategy to establish the island as a globally recognised destination for cultural and ecotourism.

"Minjerribah is home to some of the most striking scenery in Queensland, with original eucalypt and scribbly gum forests containing rich and ancient cultural heritage," Tourism Industry Development Minister Kate Jones said.

"The Mount Vane walk is one of the many new ecotourism experiences we're delivering on the island over the next few years. Ecotourism makes sense for Minjerribah. More than 20 Quandamooka rangers were involved in the design and construction of this track and research has revealed that walking tourism

alone has the potential to pump \$16 million a year into the local economy."

Public response to the new walk has been overwhelmingly positive, reaching record audiences on the Minjerribah Futures social media sites, as well as within the island's online community groups and tourism websites.

Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation Chief Executive Cameron Costello said the Quandamooka people are excited by the potential of low impact, sensitively-designed cultural and ecotourism activities, like the Mt Vane walk, that allow visitors to experience the beauty of our land and the traditions of our ancestors while contributing to real economic opportunities for Traditional Owners through business and employment.

With sand mining ceasing on the island at the end of 2019, the \$24.75 million strategy is investing in 23 projects to support the growth of sustainable tourism, arts and cultural activities and a future-focused education and research sector.

#### **Looking forward**

In 2019–2020, the department will:

#### Grow quality products, events and experiences

- contribute to the Queensland Government's
   Our Future State: Advancing Queensland's
   Priorities by continuing to work to attract
   and facilitate new infrastructure investors
   to Queensland, as well as working with
   existing investors on further investment in
   Queensland
- continue to deliver the following funding programs:
  - Attracting Tourism Fund, which aims to increase economic contribution, jobs and overnight visitor expenditure to the state by generating new tourism investment
  - Outback Tourism Infrastructure Fund, which will contribute to realising the government's vision for Outback Queensland as a tourism destination of choice.

#### Invest in infrastructure and access

- continue to deliver the following funding programs:
  - GBR Island Resources Rejuvenation
     Program to assist resort owners and operators in rejuvenating resorts on GBR islands
  - Great Keppel Island Rejuvenation Pilot, which is prioritising the installation of significant common user infrastructure, including power, water and telecommunications
  - Growing Tourism Infrastructure Program to support the development of new and improved attractions across the state
- continue to deliver initiatives through the Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island)
   Futures Strategy and Gudjundabu Marumba: Tourism for a Glad Tomorrow. A Five Year Strategy for sustainable tourism on Quandamooka Country
- deliver the \$5 million Tourism Recovery Fund in response to the north and north-west Queensland monsoon event in February 2019
- lead and coordinate with TEQ, government investment in major event attraction to ensure maximum benefit for the visitor economy and other government priorities
- identify and work with industry to address the shifts in the global and international visitor economy

- continue to assess the impacts and opportunities related to short-term residential accommodation in Queensland, and develop appropriate responses that support sustainable tourism growth
- work with federal, state and territory jurisdictions to influence, promote and progress opportunities for stimulating tourism in northern Australia
- explore opportunities to deliver quality, consumer-focused, adventure and naturebased tourism offerings and Indigenous experiences for visitors to Queensland
- contribute to the Advance Queensland priority 'Protecting the Great Barrier Reef' through:
  - influencing the development of climate policy and initiatives to support the tourism sector to transition to a more sustainable and low-carbon economy
  - continuing to work with industry
    to support the implementation of
    actions under the Queensland Tourism
    Sector Adaptation Plan, which provides
    a roadmap for the tourism sector
    to understand and respond to
    climate change
- work in partnership with other agencies and industry to increase visitor swimming awareness and in regard to sharks, crocodiles and marine stingers

- continue to facilitate the successful delivery of the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Integrated Resort Development and progress processes for procurement of regional GTHs in Cairns and Gold Coast
- develop the Wangetti Trail, the 94-kilometre walking and mountain biking track through Tropical North Queensland coast and hinterland from Port Douglas to Palm Cove, as a high-quality ecotourism experience
- work with the Department of Environment and Science to progress market approaches for the Thorsborne, Cooloola and Whitsunday Ecotourism Trails Program
- continue to work to attract and facilitate new infrastructure investors to Oueensland.



# WANGETTITRAIL

Queensland has some of the best natural assets in the world, and through the delivery of ecotourism opportunities such as the Wangetti Trail in the Tropical North, Queensland can showcase its environment to the world.

The Wangetti Trail will be Queensland's very first purposefully designed ecotourism trail in a national park. Approximately 94-kilometres in length, the dual-use walking and mountain biking track travels through Queensland's coast and hinterland from Port Douglas to Palm Cove.

Since commencement of the project in May 2018, DITID, in partnership with the Department of Environment and Science, has:

- completed a detailed business case
- facilitated ground-truthing activities
- worked with Traditional Owners to identify known sites of significance
- facilitated engineering designs

- completed a Registration of Interest process for tourism operators
- released tenders to build a new pedestrian bridge across the Mowbray River.

DITID has committed \$36.2 million in capital (plus \$3.2 million in operating costs) to deliver the Wangetti Trail, including prioritising \$5.7 million from the Attracting Tourism Fund for the first stage of the trail – the Mowbray North alignment, a seven-kilometre section of the trail from Port Douglas south to the Mowbray River.

Receiving support of the local Traditional Owners, the Yirrganydji People and the Eastern Kuku Yalanji People, once operational in around 2022, the trail is estimated to inject up to \$300 million into the economy over the life of the project, and could create more than 75 construction jobs and over 150 jobs once operational, with a focus on Indigenous employment.

# Build a skilled workforce and business capabilities

- continue to deliver the Tourism Business
   Capability Program in partnership with
   the Queensland Tourism Industry Council
   and other delivery partners to support all
   Queensland tourism businesses to build
   digital and trade capability
- implement a \$3.2 million package of initiatives to assist Indigenous tourism businesses to start and grow and generate employment in Indigenous tourism
- increase awareness with Traditional Owners, prescribed body corporates and Indigenous councils of the benefits of tourism, and facilitate increased engagement between these groups and the broader tourism industry.

#### Seize the opportunity in Asia

- continue to deliver the Attracting Aviation Investment Fund which supports strategic and best value route development applications
- under the Advance Queensland: Connecting with Asia strategy, continue to implement approved projects aimed at providing a stronger visitor experience for targeted Asian markets across Queensland destinations.



# QUEEN'S WHARF BRISBANE

From excavation to construction... Queen's Wharf Brisbane is taking shape.

After two and a half years of demolition, excavation and shoring works, Queen's Wharf Brisbane, the \$3.6 billion Integrated Resort Development, is changing direction with construction coming out of the ground and some public space opening toward the end of 2019.

This project, which will put Brisbane firmly on the map as a global tourism, leisure and entertainment destination, is planned to open in late 2022, and is already attracting more and more local, national and international exposure.

The demolition of three non-heritage buildings occurred in 2017, and in 2018–2019, excavation activities took place for the development's basement - the biggest excavation in Queensland's history. More than 400,000m³ of material has been removed, with 90% recycled - most going to the Brisbane Airport for the Auto Mall.

Over the past year and a half, the project has had more than 30,000 truck movements in and out of the site. It has run like clockwork, with safety being the priority for the developer, Destination Brisbane Consortium.

The end of June 2019 marked another milestone for the project, with two tower-cranes installed on site. As the focus now turns towards construction, buildings will slowly start coming out of the ground, with up to eight more cranes set to dominate the Brisbane skyline.

The foreshore works are well underway with the construction of Waterline Park, the new and improved Bicentennial Bikeway, the Boathouse Pavilion and pontoon and Mangrove Walk – which will display beautiful Indigenous designs and storytelling elements, due to open in later 2019.



Construction will commence on the development of the Neville Bonner pedestrian bridge in 2020, which will connect Queen's Wharf to the South Bank cultural precinct including theatres, the State Library, the Museum and Science Centre, the Brisbane Exhibition and Convention Centre, South Bank Parklands and West End.

The project will employ more than 2,000 workers during peak construction, and more than 8,000 once operational.

It is expected that, once completed, Queen's Wharf will bring 1.39 million additional tourists each year and a \$1.69 billion annual increase in Queensland tourism spend.

Queen's Wharf Brisbane will offer:

- the equivalent of 12 football fields of public space
- five premium hotel brands including the Ritz-Carlton and Brisbane's first 6 star hotel
- 50 restaurants, cafes and bars
- three residential towers
- many retail offerings
- connectivity to the south of the Brisbane River
- an iconic 'arc' building, featuring a Sky Deck with 360 degree views of the river and city
- \$11.01 billion to the gross state product
- a moonlight cinema.



OUR GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK HELPS US TO ASSESS THE STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES OF CURRENT PRACTICE, AND TO CONTINUALLY IMPROVE SO THAT OUR STAKEHOLDERS HAVE ONGOING CONFIDENCE IN OUR COMMITMENT TO DELIVER QUALITY SERVICES TO QUEENSLANDERS.

# 5. OUR GOVERNANCE

Corporate governance arrangements are the principles, elements and mechanisms used by the department to support a focus on effective governance through strong leadership, responsible and ethical decision-making, management and accountability, and performance improvement.

#### **Governance framework**

Corporate governance arrangements are based on the principles of best practice outlined in the *Public Sector Governance: Better Practice Guide*, the Australian Public Service Commission's *Building Better Governance Guide* and by the Australian National Audit Office.

The Corporate Governance Framework ensures that our obligations under the *Financial Accountability Act 2009* and *Public Sector Ethics Act 1994* are met.

The leadership and accountability model is part of the department's Corporate Governance framework and illustrates the accountability mechanisms in place to effectively control business activities.

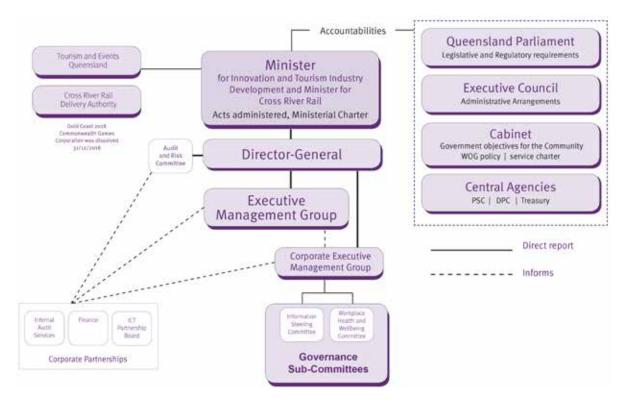


Figure 6: The DITID Leadership and Accountability Model

#### **Our partners**

#### **Portfolio bodies**

In addition to the department, there were two statutory bodies that made up the DITID portfolio in 2018-2019. We collaborate with these partners to ensure that all government and industry priorities are delivered.

- TEQ aims to maximise the economic and social benefits of tourism for the state. It markets and promotes tourism in Queensland, helps develop tourism experiences and destinations, and secures major events for Queensland. TEQ complements the department's efforts in building tourism infrastructure, attracting investment and developing industry capabilities.
- GOLDOC was established in January 2012 to work with government and Games Delivery Partners to plan, organise and deliver GC2018. The Commonwealth Games

Arrangements (GOLDOC Dissolution Day)
Amendment Regulation 2018 prescribed
the dissolution day of GOLDOC as
31 December 2018.

#### **Tourism industry**

Advancing Tourism 2016–2020: Growing Queensland Jobs is the government's strategy to grow Queensland's tourism industry.

Launched at the 2016 DestinationQ forum, this whole-of-government strategy was developed in partnership with industry and seeks to capitalise on the opportunity afforded by unprecedented growth in tourism to increase market share and boost tourism jobs by targeting four priority areas:

- grow quality products, events, and experiences
- invest in infrastructure and access
- build a skilled workforce and business capabilities
- seize the opportunity in Asia.

Destination Q is a partnership between the Queensland Government and the tourism industry. This partnership facilitates ongoing engagement between industry and government to deliver on key priorities to drive growth and jobs across Queensland.

The most visible element of the partnership is the annual *DestinationQ* Forum, which brings government and industry leaders together to discuss priorities for ensuring the industry remains competitive.

The 2018 *DestinationQ* forum was held at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre on 16 November 2018. The forum, which was attended by more than 670 delegates from across the tourism industry and local government, provided an opportunity to engage with industry leaders and peers and discover insights and research to help position Queensland tourism for the future.

For full details of the 2018 *DestinationQ* forum, visit www.destq.com.au.

#### **Corporate services**

DITID Corporate, which sits within the Office of the Director-General, oversees the delivery and management of corporate services throughout the department. DITID participates in a Business and Corporate Partnership (BCP) with other agencies in the delivery of some core corporate services, including financial services, internal audit, information and communications technology, legal and accommodation services.

The Director, Governance and Assurance manages and oversees the Service Level Agreements (SLA) with the BCP and Queensland Shared Services (QSS) for DITID.

In 2018–2019, DITID delivered its corporate services through two key areas: Governance and Assurance, and People and Engagement.

The Governance and Assurance team delivers:

- corporate governance assurance
- strategic and business planning
- strategic performance management and reporting
- risk, fraud and corruption control management
- emergency and business continuity management
- strategic procurement
- complaints management
- information privacy compliance
- lead the review and development of departmental budget papers in partnership with Finance and Asset Management
- department lead for the annual Parliamentary Estimates Committee Hearing.

The People and Engagement team delivers:

- strategic human resources advice
- human resource policy and programs such as workforce planning, equity and diversity, and performance management
- whole-of-department learning and development programs
- employee health and wellbeing initiatives
- industrial relations and employee relations
- workplace health and safety, return to work and rehabilitation case management services
- internal communications
- strategic engagement activities and programs
- oversight of the payroll and recruitment services conducted by QSS on behalf of the department.

#### Table 12: Executive Management Group

#### Committee members

- Chair Director-General
- Member Deputy Director-General, Tourism and Major Events
- Member Deputy Director-General, Tourism Development Projects
- Member Deputy Director-General, Innovation
- Member Projects Chief Executive, Tourism Development Projects

#### Table 13: Corporate Executive Management Group

#### Committee members

- Chair Director-General
- Member Deputy Director-General, Tourism and Major Events
- Member Deputy Director-General, Tourism Development Projects
- Member Deputy Director-General, Innovation
- Member Projects Chief Executive, Tourism Development Projects
- Member Director, Governance and Assurance
- Member Director, People and Engagement
- Member Executive Director, Finance and Asset Management, and Chief Finance Officer

Table 14: Workplace Health and Wellbeing Committee			
Committee members	Committee role		
<ul> <li>Director, People and Engagement</li> <li>Principal People and Business Partner, People and Engagement</li> <li>Executive Director, Tourism Development Projects Division</li> <li>Principal Policy Officer, Innovation Division</li> <li>Manager, Governance, Planning and Performance</li> <li>Principal Advisor, Tourism Division</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Chair</li><li>Secretariat</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li></ul>		

#### **Boards and Committees**

The Director-General has overall responsibility under the *Public Service Act 2008* (s. 98) for the management, governance and operation of the department. The DITID governance committees meet regularly and assist the Director-General and senior executives in decision-making and ensuring the department's goals and objectives are met.

The Executive Management Group (EMG) considers department business priorities and resourcing, ministerial and parliamentary business, and corporate policy.

The EMG is the department's principal policysetting and decision-making authority. It supports the Director-General as the department's accountable officer, to ensure the department implements and operates within an appropriate governance framework.

The EMG works collectively to:

- set agency strategy, objectives and priorities
- develop our agency and workforce capabilities
- increase and harness the diversity of our workforce

- drive innovation across the agency and through our partnerships
- oversee the implementation of programs and policies
- monitor performance and reporting requirements
- scrutinise risk mitigation strategies
- review recommendations implemented from management and audit reports to improve business processes and work practices.

There are four additional committees that focus on specific areas of organisational management – the Corporate Executive Management Group (CEMG) (and supporting governance sub-committees), Audit and Risk Committee, Information Steering Committee, and Workplace Health and Wellbeing Committee.

A representative from the BCP participates in the CEMG.

## Mike Richards, Executive Director, Finance and Asset Management, and Chief Finance Officer

Mike is the Chief Finance Officer for both DITID and the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries. Mike holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance and Accounting) and is a member of the Institute of Public Accountants. Mike has over 40 years of experience in the Queensland public sector and has worked in a number of departments during his career.

Mike provides strategic leadership and advice on the financial management of the department, including budgeting, managing financial risk, financial policies, accounting and reporting, asset management and internal controls assurance frameworks, and provides strategic financial advice to the EMG and as a member of the CEMG.

#### **Business and Corporate Partnership Board**

The Board provides leadership and sets the strategic direction of the partnership to enable it to meet its goals and objectives and those of the individual departments. It is collectively responsible for the long-term performance,

corporate systems and efficiencies that enable the success and timely delivery of the key priorities of each department within the partnership.

During 2018–2019, the Board membership comprised:

- the Directors-General of DITID, Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, and Department of Environment and Science
- the Head of Corporate from each of the three BCP hubs. The Director, Governance and Assurance represents DITID at the Heads of Corporate Board meetings.

As DITID's internal audit and ICT service needs are provided through the BCP, DITID's Director-General and Director, Governance and Assurance, represent DITID's interests on the BCP Board.

#### Workplace health and safety

#### **Workplace Health and Wellbeing Committee**

The Workplace Health and Wellbeing Committee provides strategic advice and assists the Director-General and EMG to meet their due diligence requirements under the workplace health and safety legislation for health and safety across the department.

This committee meets monthly and works with the People and Engagement team to identify, develop and implement strategies to enable continuous improvement of workplace health and wellbeing within DITID through a management system approach. The committee also oversees activities associated with being an accredited White Ribbon Workplace, and championing diversity and inclusion within the department.

DITID values the importance of providing staff a healthy, safe workplace. In 2018–2019, the department continued to build on our proactive health and safety culture through a strategic health, safety and wellbeing program.

In 2018-2019, the department has focused on building the physical, mental and financial fitness of our employees. Key initiatives delivered during the year include:

- Financial Wellness webinars through QSuper
- People Month as part of Safe Work Month, DITID focused on our people. Weekly walking groups and mental health were a priority. DITID invited guest speaker Dione Faumuina (international National Rugby League player), as well as employees and representatives from other agencies to speak about their experiences and the support available
- Domestic Violence Month participation in Darkness to Daylight CEO Challenge in partnership with the Department of Environment and Science, Barbara Tynan, Acting Magistrate, gave a frank and compelling talk about her experiences in the Domestic and Family Violence Courts at the DITID forum
- defibrillators purchased for divisions located in Terrica Place
- participation in My Health for Life program focusing on supporting staff identified with a high risk of developing a chronic disease
- annual flu vaccinations, available to all staff at Terrica Place and 1 William Street or through a voucher system at participating pharmacies
- participation in the Red25 Red Cross Blood Service program to increase blood and plasma donations

Seven minor injuries were recorded for the 2018–2019 year resulting in one medical expenses only WorkCover claim and one workplace assessment. Four employees were on income protection for long-term illness.

**Audit and Risk Committee** 

The Audit and Risk Committee (ARC) provides independent assurance and assistance to the Director-General and the EMG on the department's risk, control and compliance frameworks, integrity framework, and external accountability responsibilities as outlined in relevant legislation and standards. The ARC also has a primary role in overseeing financial statements reporting.

The structure of the committee meets the requirements of the *Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 (s.35)* and is chaired by a professional expert external to the department.

During 2018–2019, the ARC carried out the terms of its charter, with regard to the *Audit Committee Guidelines: Improving Accountability and Performance* issued by Queensland Treasury in June 2012.

In discharging its responsibilities, the ARC has the authority to:

- conduct or authorise investigations into matters within its scope of responsibility
- access information, records and personnel of DITID for such purpose
- request the attendance of any employee, including executive staff, at Committee meetings
- conduct meetings with DITID's internal and external auditors as necessary
- seek advice from external parties as necessary.

Current reviews performed under the *DITID* 2018–2019 strategic internal audit plan:

- Tourism: Grants Management Review
- Statement of Assurance Review
- Innovation: Grants Management Review
- Phase 1: Fraud and Corruption Control Framework Review.

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Table 15: Audit a	nd Risk Committee	membership and atter	ndance, 2017–2018	
Name	Position	Committee role	Membership period Membership	Number of meetings attended
Peter Dowling	Consultant	External chair	April 2017 to November 2021	4
Karen Prentice	Consultant	External member	April 2017 to November 2021	4
Kerry Petersen	Deputy Director- General, Office of the Commonwealth Games	Member, departmental representative	April 2017 – April 2019	4
Paul Martyn	Deputy Director- General, Innovation	Member, departmental representative	March 2018 - June 2018	0
Karen Broussard	A/Deputy Director- General, Innovation			1
Nicolle Kelly	A/Deputy Director- General, Innovation			0

ARC members were provided with recommendations arising from the QAO reports to Parliament that relate to the department. During 2018–2019, 10 recommendations were actioned and closed.

The ARC also provided a forum for dialogue between the Director-General, senior management, internal audit and the QAO.

The ARC convened four times during 2018–2019: – August 2018, October 2018, January 2019 and May 2019. The BCP's Internal Audit Service (IAS) provided secretariat support to the ARC during 2018–2019. In this financial year, there was movement in ARC membership (as detailed in Table 15).

As external chair, Peter Dowling was entitled to be paid \$2,400 per meeting (excluding GST) to a maximum of \$12,000 per calendar year. External member Karen Prentice was entitled to be paid \$600 per meeting (excluding GST) to a maximum of \$3,000 per calendar year (excluding GST) to prepare for, and attend, up to five meetings per annum.

#### Internal audit

IAS is a business unit within the Department of Environment and Science. It provides internal audit services to DITID and three other Queensland Government agencies as part of the BCP arrangements.

IAS provides independent assurance and advice to the Director-General, senior management and the ARC. It enhances DITID's corporate governance environment in line with roles and responsibilities detailed in the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*. It achieves this through an objective, systematic approach to evaluating the effectiveness and efficiency of corporate governance processes, internal controls, risk assessment and management practices.

The role, operating environment and responsibilities of IAS are established in the 2018–2019 internal audit charter (which has due regard to the professional standards) and the Audit Committee Guidelines: Improving Accountability and Performance, issued by Queensland Treasury (June 2012).

Key audit activities for 2018–2019 included:

- providing secretariat support to the ARC
- monitoring and reporting on the status of implementation of internal and external audit recommendations to the ARC.

#### **External assurance**

#### **Audits and reviews**

The QAO undertakes financial and performance audits within the public sector. In 2018–2019, four audit reports required action by DITID:

• QAO report to Parliament Monitoring and managing ICT projects – Report 1: 2018–2019 explored whether monitoring projects at the departmental and whole-ofgovernment levels has improved successful delivery of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) programs and projects. The QAO scope included detailed review and analysis of the ICT dashboard and QAO surveyed all departmental Chief Information Officers on their use of the ICT dashboard. QAO recommended that departments:

- implement efficient and automated processes for collecting, collating, approving and publishing dashboard data
- publish data to the dashboard that is consistent with the Queensland Government Chief Information Office's (QGCIO) publishing criteria and guidelines and provide sufficient detail in the explanatory notes when changes are made to projects' scope, time or budget
- consider the need for projects with high business impact to undergo periodic health checks in addition to gate reviews and that the focus of these health checks includes the financial management
- use learnings (including the QGCIO's summary of systemic issues) from project health checks and gate reviews in monitoring and managing programs and projects

The department has taken action and three of the four recommendations have been completed.

QAO report to Parliament Delivering shared corporate services in Queensland – Report 3: 2018–2019 assessed whether the Queensland Government's shared service providers are delivering value for money now and are positioned to successfully deliver into the future.

For each service it provides, QAO recommended that Queensland Government shared corporate service providers:

- define a clear strategy, acknowledging external factors (such as innovation in service delivery models and technology), user demand, and future funding challenges
- establish an understanding of the full cost per service
- establish and monitors standards for volume, quality, and time
- maintain a well-defined catalogue of its services aligned to the Queensland Government's Business Service

Classification Framework so that demand, efficiency savings, and performance standards can be compared across providers

- establish a transparent pricing strategy, if funded through fee for service, that includes efficiency, behavioural and sustainability objectives
- formalise agreements with customers to clarify the type and range of services, performance standards, and exit criteria
- work with the cross-government governance arrangement for the Queensland Government's shared corporate services to establish and maintain business, technology, and people strategies that are aligned to the ongoing success of shared corporate services at the whole-ofgovernment level.

The department has taken action and work is underway by the BCP on finalising a SLA for the remaining services provided to the department. As a customer of the BCP, the department will be consulted as part of the development of this SLA.

QAO recommended that each customer of a Queensland Government shared corporate service provider contribute to driving the effectiveness and efficiency of shared corporate services within Queensland Government.

As a stakeholder, the department has taken action with monthly meetings held with the BCP and QSS to discuss and monitor service delivery requirements.

QAO report to Parliament Confidentiality and disclosure of government contracts

 Report 8: 2018–2019 assessed whether departments met contract disclosure requirements. QAO was unable to assess the extent and appropriateness of the use of confidentiality provisions in Queensland Government contracts due to the contract registers of all departments audited lacking sufficient information. While the audit did not specifically relate to this department, QAO found issues that related to public

sector agencies as a whole and made recommendations accordingly.

QAO recommended that departments:

- meet all mandatory requirements set out in Procurement Guidelines – Contract Disclosure
- improve their contract registers or contract management systems to ensure a complete record of all awarded contracts.

Departments have taken action and the recommendations have been completed.

#### **Risk management**

DITID's Risk Management Framework provides the mechanisms through which risks are identified and managed consistently across the department, and minimised through a robust system of internal controls.

A major review of the framework and re-baselining of strategic risks was undertaken in the first half of the 2018–2019 year to support the maturation of departmental risk management practices and its core artefacts.

The framework is based on the international risk management standard *AS/NZS ISO 31000:2018* and Queensland Treasury's Risk Management Guidelines.

Our approach to risk management can be characterised by the following principles:

- risk management is an integral part of day-to-day decision-making, and is considered and addressed by everyone in the department
- risk management encompasses threats and opportunities, and reflects the potential for either of these to impact positively or negatively on the achievement of our vision, purpose and objectives
- risk management is not about risk avoidance; rather, it is about the management of risks and exploitation of opportunities within agreed parameters, to drive innovation and the delivery of strategic priorities

- a mature, risk-aware culture is fundamental to the effectiveness of risk management practices and decision-making
- the framework allows for the effective identification and management of fraud and corruption risks from the whole-ofdepartment perspective.

The departmental strategic risk and fraud and corruption registers are underpinned by divisional, program and project risk registers. Registers are maintained through day-to-day risk management activities, and reviewed on a quarterly basis to identify trends that warrant attention at an enterprise level.

Key strategic risks and opportunities are identified as part of the department's annual strategic planning process. Through business planning activities, divisions identify risks and opportunities that may impact on their business objectives.

Given the dynamic nature of risk and business environments, significant risks are reviewed on a minimum quarterly basis by the CEMG and ARC.

#### **Information management**

#### **Information Steering Committee**

The Information Steering Committee is part of DITID's formal governance structure, with responsibilities for ICT, Information Management, and Information Security, Information Security Management System (ISMS) and reports to the CEMG. The Committee contributes to the efficient and effective operation of the department through the Financial Accountability Act 2009, the Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019, Information Standard 2 – ICT Resources Strategic Planning, and Information Standard 18 – Information Security.

#### The Committee:

- assures the Director-General that ICT, Information Management, Information Security and related investments support the delivery of government priorities and departmental strategic direction
- implements whole-of-government ICT direction, policies and standards
- oversees agency Information Security
- ensures that ICT performance meets the following objectives
  - alignment of ICT with the agency and realisation of associated benefits
  - use of ICT to enable the agency by exploiting opportunities and maximising benefits
  - responsible use of ICT resources
  - appropriate management of ICT-related risks.

#### **Information systems**

DITID is maintaining and developing a range of systems to manage and store information. These systems support the delivery of its services, initiatives and corporate operations. Currently, DITID is using network-attached storage, which provides accessible storage solutions for innovation Video and Image files.

Table 16: Information Steering Committee membership as at 30 June 2019			
Committee members	Committee role		
<ul> <li>Deputy Director-General, Innovation</li> <li>Deputy Director-General, Tourism and Major Events</li> <li>Director, Governance and Assurance, DITID Corporate</li> <li>Director, Contract and Investment Management</li> <li>General Manager, Tourism Policy &amp; Industry Engagement</li> <li>Chief Information Officer</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Chair</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li><li>Member</li></ul>		

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#### **Records management**

The department has a comprehensive records management framework in place that is compliant with the *Public Records Act 2002*, *Public Service Act 2008* and the Queensland State Archives Records Governance Policy. The recordkeeping framework includes:

- appraisal and disposal programs
- a suite of recordkeeping policies
- management of legacy paper records
- digital delivery of legacy records
- functional electronic document and records management system
- records training and support
- records appraisal of business systems
- an active program of transfers to Queensland State Archives.

eDOCs is the corporate document and records management system, all documents are held in file structures that are classified according to the *Information Security Policy* and the appropriate security access is applied.

The Digitisation Disposal Policy is used to dispose of paper after it has been digitised and saved into the corporate records management system or other approved business systems. Paper recordkeeping has declined and legacy paper records are being digitised where required for business processes.

Around 1.5 million digital records and a 3.5 TB email archive from GOLDOC were transferred to the department for ongoing management. 74 boxes of physical records were transferred to Queensland State Archives.

Departmental records are covered by a number of approved retention and disposal schedules and documented processes for records disposal are in place:-

- Commonwealth Games QDAN 719
- Tourism QDAN 724
- Event QDAN 725

The retention and disposal schedules were reviewed in 2018 following the last machinery-of government changes.

#### Information release

The department is committed to providing the Queensland public with easier access to our information.

In accordance with the *Right to Information Act 2009*, the department is required to maintain a publication scheme, publishing certain types of information to be made available to the public. The department's publication scheme is available on the DITID website at https://www.ditid.qld.gov.au/about-us/right-to-information/publication-scheme.

In addition to this, the department also supports the whole-of-government *Open Data Policy* Statement by publishing suitably classified datasets through the Open Data Portal at www.data.qld.gov.au. Datasets identified and published in the department's open data portal include reports on consultancies, overseas travel, late payments and the Queensland Language Services Policy. The reporting requirement for government bodies is available on the DITID website at www.ditid.qld.gov.au.

We are committed to increasing the release of data that we collect for re-use and repurposing to provide new and exciting resources for the community. DITID's *Open Data Strategy:* 2019—2023 outlines the department's commitment to enabling open, accountable and transparent government through the publication of datasets through the Open Data Portal.

#### Windows 10 and Office 365 migration

All DITID users were successfully migrated and upgraded to Office 365.

## Information Security Management System (ISMS)

The initial implementation of the DITID ISMS has been successful, with required activities completed to ensure the mandatory requirements of the whole-of-government *Information Security Policy (IS18)* Annual Return can be met, for the reporting period ending 30 June 2019.

To ensure that appropriate departmental representatives are involved in ISMS implementation and general information security discussions and decision-making, the ISC membership has been extended, as outined in table 17 on page 67.



# DITID INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION PLAN 2018-2021

The DITID *Indigenous Participation Plan 2018–2021* was launched in November 2018 to build on the success of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Reconciliation Action Plan.

DITID is developing opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to participate in driving economic growth and job creation, enabling opportunities through procurement, business and relationships. The plan defines DITID's contribution to the delivery of the *Queensland Government Reconciliation Act Plan 2018–2021* and other Indigenous focused state policies.

In 2018–2019, the department achieved a number of positive outcomes across six objectives:

# Improving spend with Indigenous businesses

- Around 200 procurement activities were received in the DITID Procurement Contracts Register, worth almost \$32.6 million (including GST).
- Over 80 Indigenous businesses had the opportunity to supply goods and services to the department, with 41 contracts awarded, resulting in almost \$374,000 in procurement commitments.
- Three Indigenous businesses were successful in the whole-of-government Creative Standing Offer, through collaboration between DITID, South East Queensland Indigenous Chamber of Commerce and the Department of Housing and Public Works.

#### Influencing others to take action to improve outcomes for Indigenous peoples

- DITID celebrates Indigenous events and influences corporations and other organisations to actively support Indigenous peoples.
- The Queensland Government has committed \$3.4 million over the next two years for Indigenous tourism development and growth.

# Increasing accessibility for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples

- Opportunities were increased for Indigenous businesses to participate in DITID led programs, with a requirement for Indigenous outcomes in some contracts and grant programs.
- A \$2 million grant fund was established to develop new Indigenous tourism products and experiences, and to support the creation and implementation of an Indigenous Tourism Development Service for emerging and established operators.
- The target of 3% investment in Indigenous businesses was exceeded Attracting Tourism Fund (11%), Outback Tourism Infrastructure Fund (4%) and Growing Tourism Infrastructure Fund (8%).
- A campaign was delivered to encourage more Indigenous people to register for the Queensland Register of Nominees to Government bodies, increasing Indigenous registration by 33.65%.

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# DITID INDIGENOUS PARTICIPATION PLAN 2018-2021

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# Increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employees

- 2.3% of DITID employees self-identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island)
   Economic Transition Strategy funding is being provided to QYAC from 2018—2021 to engage three employees.

# Increasing staff awareness and engagement on Indigenous needs and outcomes

- 23 DITID staff attended formal training, with many informal opportunities to expand awareness
- Local Indigenous language awareness
  was raised by naming two stages at QODE
  2019 Wantimaa, meaning sing it up, and
  Yawarr, meaning rising up names drawn
  from the Yuggera language
- 32 government meeting rooms were named in the Yuggera language.

# Increasing Indigenous business capability

- DITID made 11 direct investments of time or money into increasing opportunity for Indigenous businesses
- Funding support was provided for the Meeanjin Market for a further three years so it can mature into a sustainable, longterm economic powerhouse for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and culture. More than 10,000 people have visited the markets so far, supporting 59 Indigenous businesses.



DITID IS PROUD OF THE CALIBRE AND COMMITMENT OF OUR EMPLOYEES. KNOWING WHO OUR PEOPLE ARE, WHAT THEY NEED TO GET THEIR WORK DONE AND HOW THEY SEE THEIR CONTRIBUTION IS IMPORTANT: NOT JUST FOR THE EXECUTIVE BUT FOR ALL STAFF.

# 6. OUR PEOPLE

We are fostering a workplace culture that supports respect, diversity and wellbeing as a sound foundation to enable sustainable and high-quality delivery of DITID programs and initiatives.

#### Workforce profile

The Queensland Public Sector Quarterly Workforce Profile: June 2017, based on Minimum Obligatory Human Resources Information (MOHRI) data, shows that DITID had 166.27 full-time equivalent staff at 30 June 2019. The permanent separation rate was 2.44%.

Employees who were seconded to DITID from other Queensland Government departments and who continued to be paid by their department are reflected in the MOHRI data of their substantive department.

However, for purposes of transparency, these same employees are reflected in the financial statements for DITID.

#### Workforce planning and performance

The department has put in place strategies to ensure our partnerships are results focused to develop talented people and emerging leaders.

In 2018—2019, individual divisions have focused on workforce planning, identifying critical roles and capabilities. Development opportunities have been identified that align with the 10-year Human Capital Outlook developed by the Public Service Commission, which aligns its strategic imperatives around the four levers for change: leadership and capability, culture, talent acquisition and new ways of working.

Improvements in our program alignment have resulted in a whole-of-department Communications and Engagement unit and a new division, TDPD.

#### Ethics and code of conduct

The Code of Conduct principles and values are incorporated into departmental policies, procedures and plans. All employees undertake annual Code of Conduct and ethical decision-making training. In 2018—2019, the training was expanded to include a new training module on fraud awareness and corruption prevention. Staff are encouraged to raise concerns so that they can be investigated and addressed if needed.

The Queensland Ombudsman's Office also provided training on integrity and public interest disclosures at the Senior Leadership Forum.

Fraud and corruption awareness training was delivered to senior leaders and managers in June 2019.

#### Leadership and capability

A strong leadership cohort with a focus on collaboration and thought leadership continues to develop.

The EMG meets monthly to ensure a strategic approach to departmental and whole-of-government initiatives.

The DITID Senior Leadership Forum, which is held every six weeks, provides opportunities for collaboration, guest presenters and professional development. This forum was utilised to harness game-changing ideas for the government's Advancing Queensland Priorities of 'Responsive Government' and 'Create jobs in a strong economy', as well a key focus group for the department's *Capability Blueprint* program. This forum is a key tool to ensure departmental priorities and initiatives are shared in the department.

Our senior leaders, as well as all staff, developed leadership capabilities through implementing comprehensive performance agreements and participating in leadership development programs, masterclasses and seminars that were promoted to staff.

Greater role clarity and clearer performance indicators formed part of the focus for upskilling staff to have more relevant and meaningful performance conversations. DITID collaborated with the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs and Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships to run a series of workshops around effective performance management.

#### Culture

DITID aims to create the right environment for people to thrive and translate opportunities into outcomes.

Quarterly staff forums have been held to connect staff to management, departmental projects and achievements, and to enhance professional development by inviting specialist speakers. During 2018–2019, the forums enabled staff to learn more about innovative ways of working, to hear stories about the impact of the department's *Indigenous Participation Plan 2018-2021* (IPP), and to increase awareness of community issues such gender equity and domestic and family violence.

DITID's collaborative culture is enhanced by an engagement plan that builds connections to people and projects through these forums, as well as regular messages from the Director-General, an internal monthly newsletter, and a regular 'DG Chats' program that enables all levels of staff to informally meet with the Director-General.

The DITID Aspire Awards formally recognises both individuals and teams that have demonstrated outstanding achievements in the categories of Leadership, Teamwork, Innovation and Collaboration. The annual awards engage staff to recognise a job well done and to share with DITID the great work that goes on every day.

As part of the department's steps to support gender parity, DITID held an International Women's Day event featuring a panel that discussed issues impacting on women at work and in society. Staff were also encouraged attend the Women of the World Festival in April, the Women Leaders' Summit and the Committee for Economic Development of Australia Women in Leadership event.

The department's IPP builds on the success of the GC2018 Reconciliation Action Plan to enable DITID to be an organisation that shows respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, and works to sustains relationships and create opportunities. Through this plan, staff are encouraged to build cultural capability through training, experience, events and awards. Staff have attended cultural capability intelligence training, and experienced Indigenous culture at the Meeanjin Markets and at DITID forums where keynote Indigenous speakers have shared their stories.

#### Health, safety and wellbeing

A high priority of the department is for staff to feel assured they are working in a safe and respectful environment. As a White Ribbon accredited workplace, DITID has put in place foundation steps to ensure this. DITID continues to promote a zero tolerance towards bullying and violence in any form.

Physical health was a priority, with staff having the opportunity to identify critical risk factors through the My Health for Life program. Support and coaching were made available for staff who identify as being high risk for developing a chronic disease. In 2019, staff were supported to take part in the influenza vaccination program.

# Early retirement, redundancy and retrenchment

During the 2018–2019, no redundancy or early retirement packages were offered. During this period, there was one voluntary medical retirement at a cost of \$56,520.59.

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#### **Feedback**

The Department of the Premier and Cabinet is coordinating feedback on agency annual reports at www.qld.gov.au/annualreportfeedback.

## APPENDIX 1: GOVERNANCE COMMITTEES

#### The information is also available at www.ditid.qld.gov.au

Aboriginal and 1	Torres Strait Islander Business and Innovation Reference Group
Act or instrument	The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business and Innovation Reference Group is not established under an Act. The Terms of Reference for the Group have been established.
Functions	The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business and Innovation Reference Group provides strategic advice to the Minister for Innovation and Tourism Industry Development and Minister for Cross River Rail, and the Minister for Employment and Small Business and Minister for Training and Skills Development. This advice relates to business and innovation matters which impact Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and communities and recommendations are provided to assist the Queensland Government in supporting the development of existing, emerging and new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and innovators across Queensland.
Activities	<ul> <li>Key achievements for 2018–2019 include:</li> <li>co-designed the Advance Queensland Deadly Innovation Strategy</li> <li>created a cultural frame around engaging in relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples</li> <li>led, in collaboration with DITID, a public campaign to inspire Indigenous registrants on Queensland Register of Nominees for Government Boards. This campaign delivered a 34 percent boost to Indigenous registrants, improving opportunity for Indigenous voices in decision making</li> <li>influenced the Queensland Government on the following policy areas of:</li> <li>reforming payment timeframes to small businesses procured by government; DESBT announced Queensland Small Business Procurement Commitment to deliver the On-time Payment Policy to improve invoice payment times from 30 days to 20 days</li> <li>enhancing opportunities for Indigenous businesses through the Queensland Indigenous Procurement Policy and recommending a 3% mandate</li> <li>increasing opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in innovation and tourism initiatives through the IPP</li> <li>building and Assets Services activities in communities</li> <li>giving strategic advice regarding digital inclusion, housing, disaster response, networks</li> <li>provided advice on the design of Advance Queensland programs and activities to improve opportunity and uptake by Indigenous peoples</li> <li>championed the Advance Indigenous Business and other small business agendas</li> <li>shared materials and opportunities through their networks</li> </ul>
Financial reporting	All operating and administrative costs associated with the body are paid for by the department's core funding. The body's costs are contained within the department's financial statements which are audited by the QAO annually.

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#### Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business and Innovation Reference Group

Remuneration: All positions are voluntary. However, the department bears the cost of remunerating members for reasonable out-of-pocket expenses associated with meeting attendance.

Position and Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved subcommittee fee if applicable	Actual fees received
Member - Noel Niddrie	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Leesa Watego	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Wanita Gosbee	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Mundanara Bayles	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Julie-Ann Lambourne	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Charlie Jia	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Leann Wilson	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Shane Kennelly	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Colin Saltmere	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Terri Waller	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Michelle Deshong	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Donisha Duff	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Steve Noy	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Kantesha Takai	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Leah Cameron	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Karen Seage	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Associate Member - Cr Ross Andrews	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Associate Member - Cr Desmond Tayley	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
No. scheduled meetings/sessions: 4				

Total out-of-pocket expenses: Nil

Advance Queen	sland Expert Panel
Act or instrument	Advance Queensland (AQ) Expert Panel was not established under an Act. The Terms of Reference for the Panel were established, however the Panel expired on 31 March 2019.
Functions	The Advance Queensland Expert Panel was an advisory body that brought together successful leaders from across the business, academic, research and education sectors to provide broad-based expertise and independent advice to government in the implementation of the Advance Queensland initiative.
Activities	<ul> <li>In 2018–2019 the Advance Queensland Expert Panel:</li> <li>contributed to the review of the Advance Queensland initiative and development of the draft Building Our Innovation Economy – Advance Queensland Strategy</li> <li>provided advice on key science and innovation developments including robotics and the potential for the industry to transform the Queensland economy, productivity and quality of life</li> <li>provided advice on the challenges and opportunities for measuring the impact of innovation policies and programs</li> <li>influenced opportunities to improve outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through improved design and increased uptake of Advance Queensland programs under the Deadly Innovation Strategy.</li> </ul>
Financial reporting	All operating and administrative costs associated with the Panel were paid for within the department's core funding. The Panel's costs are contained within the department's financial statements which are audited by the QAO annually.

# Remuneration: Members are not remunerated and sitting fees are not paid. Out-of-pocket expenses are paid to members.

Position and Name	Meetings/sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved subcommittee fee if applicable	Actual fees received
Member - Monica Bradley	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Prof Frank Gannon	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member- Wayne Gerard	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - David Gray	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Dr Laurie Hammond	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Dr Cherrell Hirst	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Anna Rooke	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Prof Arun Sharma	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member -Prof Grant Stanley	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Dr Elaine Stead	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Prof Zee Upton	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member - Prof Ian Frazer	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
No. scheduled meetings/sessions: 3				
Total out-of-pocket expenses: Nil				

North Strad	broke Island Economic Transition Strategy Implementation Committee
Act or instrument	The North Stradbroke Island Economic Transition Strategy (ETS) Implementation Committee is not established under an Act. The Terms of Reference for the Committee have been established.
Functions	The committee is an advisory body that oversees the implementation of initiatives identified in the North Stradbroke Island Economic Transition Strategy. It is a high level forum to discuss issues relating to the Strategy and its implementation.
Activities	<ul> <li>Key achievements for 2018—2019 include providing input and advice in relation to the following initiatives:</li> <li>transitioning the Strategy from Department of State Development Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDMIP) to DITID</li> <li>reprioritisation and reallocation of funding to expedite delivery of five key priority infrastructure projects</li> <li>preparing a communications strategy for Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island)</li> <li>reviewing and discussing ETS project delivery status reports and updates</li> <li>monitoring Workers Assistance Scheme progress</li> </ul>
Financial reporting	All operating and administrative costs associated with the Panel were paid for within the department's core funding. The Panel's costs are contained within the department's financial statements which are audited by the QAO annually.

#### Remuneration: Members are not remunerated and sitting fees are not paid.

Position	Name	Meetings/ sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved subcommittee fee if applicable	Actual fees received
Outgoing Chair	Maree Parker, DSDMIP	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Outgoing Chair	Jeff McAlister, Deputy Director- General, Tourism and Major Events, DITID	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Chair	Kerry Petersen, Deputy Director-General, Tourism Development Projects Division	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Cameron Costello, Chief Executive Officer, Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Colin Battersby, Chair, Straddie Chamber of Commerce	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Andrew Chesterman, Chief Executive Officer, Redland City Council	0	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Member	Professor Melissa Brown, Executive Dean, Faculty of Science, University of Queensland	4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Drew Ellem, A/Deputy Under Treasurer, Queensland Treasury	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Suzanne Wauchope, Deputy Director-General, Investment, DESBT	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Ben Klaassen, Deputy Director- General, Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Environment and Science	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Member	Craig Rutledge, Executive Regional Director – South, DSDMIP	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
No. scheduled meetings/sessions: 4					

Total out-of-pocket expenses: Nil

# APPENDIX 2: ACRONYMS

Term	Definition
ARC	Audit and Risk Committee
ВСР	Business and Corporate Partnership
CCIG	China Capital Investment Group
CEMG	Corporate Executive Management Group
DESBT	Department of Employment, Small Business and Training
DITID	Department of Innovation and Tourism Industry Development
DSDMIP	Department of State Development Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning
DTESB	Department of Training, Employment and Small Business
EMG	Executive Management Group
ETS	Economic Transition Strategy
GBR	Great Barrier Reef
GC2018	Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games
GOLDOC	Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games Corporation
GTH	Global Tourism Hub
IAS	Internal Audit Services
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
IPP	Indigenous Participation Plan
ISMS	Information Security Management System
MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
MOHRI	Minimum Obligatory Human Resources Information
QAO	Queensland Audit Office
QGCIO	Queensland Government Chief Information Office
QSS	Queensland Shared Services
QYAC	Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation
REAP	Regional Entrepreneurship Acceleration Program
SLA	Service Level Agreement
TDPD	Tourism Development Projects Division
TEQ	Tourism and Events Queensland

# APPENDIX 3: COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

Summary of requirement		Basis for requirement	Annual report reference
Letter of compliance	A letter of compliance from the accountable officer or statutory body to the relevant Minister	ARRs – s. 7	3
Accessibility	Table of contents Glossary	ARRs – s. 9.1	5
	Public availability	ARRs – s. 9.2	2
	Interpreter service statement	Queensland Government Language Services Policy ARRS – 5. 9.3	2
	Copyright notice	Copyright Act 1968 ARRs – s. 9.4	2
	Information licensing	QGEA – Information licensing ARRs – s. 9.5	2
General information	Introductory information	ARRs - s. 10.1	11
	Agency role and main functions	ARRs - s. 10.2	11,18
	Machinery of Government changes	ARRs – s. 31 and 32	Not applicable
	Operating environment	ARRs - s. 10.3	17
Non-financial performance	Government objectives for the community	ARRs – s. 11.1	12
	Other whole-of-government plans/specific initiatives	ARRs – s. 11.2	13
	Agency objectives and performance indicators	ARRs – s. 11.3	12
	Agency service areas, service standards and other measures	ARRs – s. 11.4	18,27,29,39
Financial performance	Summary of financial performance	ARRs – s. 12.1	21
Governance – management and structure	Organisational structure	ARRs – s. 13.1	16
	Executive management	ARRs - s. 13.2	14
	Government bodies (statutory bodies and other entities)	ARRs – s. 13.3	17, Appendix 1
	Public Sector Ethics Act 1994	Public Sector Ethics Act 1994 (section 23 and Schedule) ARRs – s. 13.4	57
	Queensland public sector service values	ARRs – s. 13.5	17
Governance – risk management and accountability	Risk management	ARRs - s. 14.1	65
	Audit committee	ARRs - s. 14.2	62
	Internal audit	ARRs - s. 14.3	64
	External scrutiny	ARRs – s. 14.4	64
	Information systems and recordkeeping	ARRs – s. 14.5	66,68
Governance –	Strategic workforce planning and performance	ARRs – s. 15.1	71-73
human resources	Early retirement, redundancy and retrenchment	Directive No.11/12 Early Retirement, Redundancy and Retrenchment Directive No.16/16 Early Retirement, Redundancy and Retrenchment (from 20 May 2016) ARRS – S. 15.2	73
Open Data	Statement advising publication of information	ARRs – s. 16	4
	Consultancies	ARRs – s. 33.1	Not applicable
	Overseas travel	ARRs – s. 33.2	https://data.qld.
	Queensland Language Services Policy	ARRs – s. 33.3	https://data.qld.
Financial statements	Certification of financial statements	FAA – s. 62 FPMS – s. 38,39,46 ARRs – s. 17.1	Part B: 27
	Independent Auditors Report	FAA – s. 62 FPMS – s. 46 ARRs – s. 17.2	Part B: 28

Financial Accountability Act 2009 Financial and Performance Management Standard 2019 Annual report requirements for Queensland Government agencies

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