

CCC Chairperson and Directors-General to collaborate on corruption prevention in Queensland

On 8 December 2017, Alan MacSporran QC, Chairperson of the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC), Directors-General and Deputy-Directors General from across the Queensland public sector, and senior executives from the CCC met to discuss integrity and corruption prevention.

The key issues discussed and actions agreed are outlined below:

- We recognised that corruption prevention was the joint responsibility of the CCC and public sector agencies, and that senior executives are critical in setting the ethical culture of an organisation.
- We will meet regularly to:
 - provide strategic direction to corruption prevention efforts
 - educate senior officers about corruption and corruption prevention to better position the agency's response
 - coordinate and collaborate on corruption prevention efforts to maximise impact
 - identify and remove barriers that undermine prevention efforts
 - ensure corruption prevention remains a priority for Directors-General and other senior leaders across Queensland Units of Public Administration.
- We endorsed the CCC Corruption Prevention Strategy, and Directors-General agreed to disseminate it and future corruption prevention information throughout their agency and to independent statutory authorities or other government bodies that report through their minister.
- We recognised that capability development is central to an agency's response to corruption. The CCC and PSC will work together to develop training that explicitly focuses on corruption. We committed to fund at least one participant to attend the inaugural training course to ensure viability and assess the merit of the course.
- We will work with the CCC to develop a secondment program that provides officers from agency ethical standards units with practical, on-the-job training at the CCC in work areas undertaking corruption prevention, assessment and investigation (informed by the assessment of learning needs).
- We agreed with the CCC that data is a strategic asset, central to strategy and evidence-based decisions. We agreed to identify legislative barriers to information sharing for the purposes of the CCC corruption prevention function.
- We acknowledged International Anti-Corruption Day (IAC) on 9 December 2017 and reflected on the opportunity it had presented to remind people of the importance of taking a positive and pro-active stance against corruption.
- We agreed the meeting had been extremely effective and looked forward to next coming together to discuss corruption prevention.

