

## QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE





Our Ref:

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Mr A J MacSporran QC Chairperson Crime and Corruption Commission GPO Box 3123 Brisbane Qld 4006



Dear Mr MacSporran Clox

I refer to your letter of 1 June 2016 regarding the Crime and Misconduct Commission (CCC) discussion paper and invitation for public submissions on publicising allegations of corrupt conduct. You have invited the Queensland Police Service (QPS) to provide a submission on this complex issue, utilising the proforma submission provided.

I note this proforma seeks public comment on specific areas outside of the QPS area of responsibility. Consequently I do not propose to make a submission in that form. However, the QPS holds the view, current practices are appropriate based on the following points:

- allows for transparency;
- the existence of legislation and policy surrounding the release of information regarding complaints, notably defamation and public interest disclosure legislation;
- the benefit of any change regarding unauthorised release of information;
- changes may impact upon the number of complaints (with complainants able to be anonymous); and
- the impact of investigations and/or enforcement of any breach of new legislation for the QPS/CCC.

I believe these points will be subject of discussion at the proposed public forum and I thank you for this opportunity to make these submissions. I also look forward to considering any recommendations that may be forthcoming.

Yours sincerely
IAN STEWART
COMMISSIONER