

Our leaders

Rachel Hunter PSM

Director-General

Ms Rachel Hunter is a highly regarded and accomplished Director-General and chief executive, having worked across various portfolios over an extensive career.

A distinguished public sector leader, Rachel is the first female Director-General of DPC in Queensland since the department's inception in 1859.

Rachel brings to the role an outcomes-focused and values-led leadership style.

As Queensland's former Under Treasurer, Rachel was at the helm of Queensland Treasury at a critical time when the government responded to the COVID-19 pandemic. As Under Treasurer, she was instrumental in shaping and delivering the government's economic response and recovery plans for the state.

Rachel has formerly been Director-General of three Queensland Government departments—the Department of Justice and Attorney-General, the former Department of Education, Training and the Arts, and the former Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDMIP). She has also served as Queensland's Public Service Commissioner.

Rachel has chaired the Board of Jobs Queensland, providing industry and evidence-based advice on skills needs and workforce planning, and has served as the Chair of Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Services Board.

In 2020, Rachel was awarded a Public Service Medal for outstanding public service to the community of Queensland.

Filly Morgan PSM

Associate Director-General, Governance and Engagement

Ms Filly Morgan has more than 25 years' experience in the Queensland public sector. In her current role as Associate Director-General, she leads the delivery of the Governance and Engagement division. This includes whole-of-government strategic communication, events and engagement, as well as support for veterans through the Office for Veterans and leading engagement with Queensland's regions through the Office for Rural and Regional Queensland. The division also supports business before Executive Council, provides advice on machinery-of-government and constitutional matters, protocol and international relations, and supplies the corporate functions for the department as well as corporate support for ministerial offices and the Office of the Leader of the Opposition.

Filly has a broad range of experience in central and line agencies. She has previously worked in senior roles in DPC and the former Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business, and the Commonwealth Games. Filly is a Clerk of the Executive Council, and the Queensland representative on the Council for the Order of Australia and the Australian Bravery Decorations Council. Filly is also a member of the Audit Committee for the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority.

Filly was awarded a Public Service Medal on Australia Day 2018 which recognises outstanding service by employees of the Australian Government and state, territory and local government employees.

Mark Cridland (November 2021 to April 2022)

Associate Director-General, The Cabinet Office

As head of The Cabinet Office, Mr Mark Cridland is responsible for leading the economic, social, environment policy, and intergovernmental relations and Cabinet teams in providing high-level strategic policy advice for the Premier and Cabinet and for the implementation of key government decisions. The division led by Mark also supports the Premier's participation on National Cabinet and as Chair of the Queensland Disaster Management Cabinet Committee.

Mark is Chair of the Advancing Queensland Industry Attraction Fund Panel and the Chair of the Investment Panel that considers Exclusive Transactions. He is a member of the Australia-New Zealand Counter-Terrorism Committee and on the Boards for Economic Development Queensland and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. Mark is also a member of Australia's First Ministers' Deputies Group.

Mark is a highly experienced senior executive with more than 30 years of proven leadership and delivery in large and complex government and private sector organisations.

Between 2013 and May 2018, Mark was a senior director and account leader with KPMG Australia where he led significant engagements across Australia covering infrastructure, economic evaluation, governance, performance frameworks and national reforms.

For the decade prior to 2013, Mark held numerous senior executive roles in Queensland and New South Wales governments. This included Deputy Director-General, Policy, Planning, and Investment, Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads between 2009 and 2013.

Mark has a passion and commitment to public service. He believes the public service can play a positive role and influence outcomes for all Queenslanders.

Michael Carey (May to June 2022)

Acting Associate Director-General, The Cabinet Office

Michael Carey has a history of leading the development of strategic policy in Queensland and Australia.

He joined The Cabinet Office from Trade and Investment Queensland in May 2022, where he was previously Chief Executive Officer.

Michael has held senior roles in Queensland Treasury and DSDMIP, and has led the development of strategic policy, economic and industry initiatives and programs across government, including in priority sectors such as infrastructure, energy, resources, water, transport, agriculture, tourism, and manufacturing.

Kerry Petersen PSM

Associate Director-General, Brisbane 2032 Taskforce

Ms Kerry Petersen is the Associate Director-General of the Brisbane 2032 Taskforce within DPC and is responsible for leading the Queensland Government's engagement in all activities associated with the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, including engagement with a complex network of Brisbane 2032 stakeholders.

Under Kerry's leadership, the Brisbane 2032 Taskforce was responsible for leading the successful candidature for the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games, drawing on expertise in major and mega-event planning and delivery across government.

Kerry previously led the Queensland Government's delivery of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games (GC2018) including the delivery of the GC2018 infrastructure. Kerry brings more than 30 years of public sector experience to the role including delivery of other significant public infrastructure programs and projects.

Kerry has a reputation for forging productive stakeholder relationships and partnerships in complex operating environments, as well as a commitment to exemplar corporate governance, which has been critical to her success in leading complex programs and maximising cross government opportunities.

In June 2019, Kerry was awarded the Public Service Medal which recognises outstanding service by employees of Australian, federal, state and local government agencies.

Tony Keyes

Queensland Parliamentary Counsel

Mr Tony Keyes was appointed as Parliamentary Counsel on 15 October 2018. Tony studied law and arts at The University of Queensland and was admitted as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of Queensland in 1990.

Tony has had a long and varied legal career, including private and community-sector practice, policy and investigative work at the Criminal Justice Commission, the Ombudsman's Office, and the Law Reform Commission, working in law and justice policy for DPC, and serving for almost 10 years as Senior Deputy Crown Solicitor at Crown Law.

Dr Katy Le Roy (June 2022)

Acting Parliamentary Counsel

Dr Katy Le Roy was appointed Deputy Parliamentary Counsel in July 2018. She has served as Acting Parliamentary Counsel for various periods during 2021–2022 and is currently the Acting Parliamentary Counsel. Prior to joining QQPC, Katy had served as a Parliamentary Counsel in the New Zealand Parliamentary Counsel Office and as Parliamentary Counsel in the Republic of Nauru.

Katy has previously worked as a solicitor in private practice in Melbourne, as an in-house legal counsel in Germany, and as a consultant for the UN Development Program advising on constitutional reform. She has also lectured in public law subjects at the University of Melbourne and Victoria University of Wellington. From 2015 to 2022, Katy served as Vice President of the Commonwealth Association of Legislative Counsel.

Katy is passionate about the rule of law and making legislation accessible. Katy holds a Bachelor of Arts (Hons), Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and a PhD (Law) from the University of Melbourne. She was admitted to practise as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria in 1999.