## Board of Management - Chair's Message

The Public Safety Business Agency (PSBA) was established in 2014 to provide shared corporate services to Queensland's public safety agencies, including the Queensland Police Service (QPS), Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES), Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS) and Office of the Inspector-General Emergency Management (IGEM), that supported them in the delivery of quality community outcomes.

On 7 September 2020, the Queensland Government announced its intention to integrate the functions and staff of the PSBA into the QPS and QFES, as part of a wider strategy to structurally reform government statutory bodies and agencies.

Since this announcement the Board of Management, comprised of myself and two other members, Greg Leach, Commissioner, QFES and Geoff Waite, Head of Corporate, Queensland Treasury, have worked with the Transition Leadership Group (TLG) to facilitate an effective transition process.

To this end, the TLG, led by QPS Deputy Commissioner Doug Smith, QFES Acting Deputy Commissioner Adam Stevenson and the PSBA Acting Chief Operating Officer undertook extensive engagement to identify the options for staff and services that would produce the greatest benefit to the community of Queensland. I sincerely thank the TLG members for their efforts during this time.

We, the members of the Board of Management, have an enormous appreciation for the hard-working and talented employees at the PSBA who worked together to deliver the functions and services of the agency. We believe the transition of the PSBA functions to the public safety agencies will result in further increasing efficiencies that will assist in the delivery of quality outcomes to Queensland communities.

I wish to pay tribute to the PSBA Acting Chief Operating Officer, Assistant Commissioner Mike Condon, and to the many people who so generously shared their professional expertise while serving in the role as Chief Operating Officer of the PSBA. Their support and guidance have made a major contribution to the public safety agencies and to the community of Queensland.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Board of Management members, both current and previous, for their support and input during the past six years.

**Katarina Carroll APM** 

(former) Chair, PSBA Board of Management and Commissioner, Queensland Police Service 22 September 2021

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