1. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) is a regional economic forum established in 1989 to leverage the growing interdependence of the Asia-Pacific. APEC is attended by heads of government or ministerial level officials of the 21 members economies including Australia, China, the United States, Indonesia, South Korea and Canada.
2. The aim of APEC is to create greater prosperity for the region by promoting balanced, inclusive, sustainable, innovative and secure growth and by accelerating regional economic integration.
3. The Australian Government established the APEC Taskforce, led by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, to coordinate Australian assistance to Papua New Guinea (PNG) in hosting the APEC Economic Leaders Week in November 2018. The Australian Defence Force and Australian Federal Police contributed to this historical event in PNG and Queensland Government agencies liaised with the APEC Taskforce to ensure appropriate coordination of Australian support.
4. The Queensland Government provided scalable and flexible assistance in the areas of security, fire safety and emergency response.
5. Cabinet noted the support provided by the Queensland Government to deliver the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Economic Leaders Week in Papua New Guinea in November 2018.
6. *Attachments*
* Nil.