1. The Queensland Women’s Strategy 2016-21 (QWS) outlines the Government’s vision for women and girls: *The Queensland community respects women, embraces gender equality and promotes and protects the rights, interests and wellbeing of all women and girls*.
2. The strategy has four priority areas: participation and leadership; economic security; safety; and health and wellbeing.
3. The QWS Community Implementation Plan presents a range of government, community and private sector initiatives and outlines the responsible agencies/organisations and the timeframes for implementation.
4. The first phase of the QWS Community Implementation Plan in 2016-18 focused on laying the foundations and facilitating whole-of-community change to progress gender equality.
5. Strong partnerships were entered into across all sectors to support implementation of the QWS.
6. The QWS Community Implementation Plan will be updated as new initiatives are developed.
7. The Women on Boards (WOB) initiative is a key government initiative to address gender imbalance in leadership and includes the Queensland Government’s gender diversity target of 50 per cent representation of women on Queensland Government bodies by 2020.
8. Since the WOB initiative was announced, the representation of women on Queensland Government bodies increased from 31 per cent in July 2015 to 47 per cent on 30 September 2018.
9. Cabinet noted the progress in 2016-18 towards implementation of the Queensland Women’s Strategy 2016-21.
10. Cabinet noted the progress of the Queensland Government’s gender diversity targets under the Women On Board initiative.
11. Cabinet noted the release of the Queensland Women’s Strategy Progress Report and the Queensland Women’s Strategy 2018 Report Cards.
12. *Attachments*
* [Queensland Women’s Strategy 2016-18 Progress](Attachments/Progress.pdf)
* [Queensland Women’s Strategy 2018 Report Cards](Attachments/RepCard.PDF)