1. The *Gold Coast Waterways Authority Act 2012* (the Act) established the Gold Coast Waterways Authority (GCWA) and Gold Coast Waterways Authority Board (the Board).
2. Section 43 of the Act provides that the Board controls the GCWA. The GCWA is responsible for delivering the best possible management of Gold Coast waterways and for the implementation of the Spit Master Plan through the development and delivery of a program of community infrastructure and public realm works.
3. The Board is a decision-making board which:
   * + reports to the Minister for Transport and Main Roads on its waterways management responsibilities and to the Spit Development Minister on its Spit Master Plan implementation responsibilities;
     + oversees the day to day operations of the Authority;
     + decides on navigational access and boating infrastructure projects, waterways management policies and legislation, and ensures effective and efficient delivery of a works program to give effect to the Spit master plan; and
     + engages with the Gold Coast community and assists the Authority in identifying local needs to improve access, boating infrastructure and management of Gold Coast waterways and to deliver a capital works program for the Spit Master Plan area.
4. Section 44 of the Act provides that the membership of the Board consists of up to ten persons, each a member, including the Chairperson (also an appointed member), the Mayor of the Gold Coast City Council and at least five, but no more than eight, other appointed members.
5. Cabinet endorsed that the following nominee be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment to the Gold Coast Waterways Authority Board as follows:

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| **Name** | **Position** | **Term** |
| Professor Keitha Dunstan | Member | Three years on and from the date published in the *Queensland Government Gazette* |

1. *Attachments*
   * + Nil.