1. The Crime and Misconduct Commission’s *Report on an Investigation into the Alleged Misuse of Public Monies, and a Former Ministerial Adviser* (the Report) followed an investigation into an anonymous complaint against Mr Simon Tutt, which alleged that he had inappropriately orchestrated a sporting grant to the University of Queensland Rugby Football Club (totalling $200,000).
2. The CMC did not recommended any disciplinary or criminal proceedings as a result of the investigation; however, the report highlights broader public policy issues concerning the role of Ministerial staff and public servants and makes four recommendations for the Government to:
* develop detailed protocols regarding communications between Ministerial staff and public servants;
* introduce transparency measures to document decision-making processes where a final decision made by government overrides agency advice;
* provide training in ethical and transparent communication to Ministers, Ministerial staff and public servants, and training and support to staff recruitment and management to Ministers and chiefs of staff; and
* review the Department of Communities grants policies and guidelines to ensure there are adequate safeguards to prevent unauthorised or undocumented departures from due process.
1. The Queensland Government supported all of the CMC’s recommendations.
2. Cabinet approved the Government response to the Crime and Misconduct Commission’s *Report on an Investigation into the Alleged Misuse of Public Monies, and a Former Ministerial Adviser*.
3. *Attachments*
* [Crime and Misconduct Commission *Report on an Investigation into the Alleged Misuse of Public Monies, and a Former Ministerial Adviser*](Attachments/Report.pdf)
* [Government response to the Crime and Misconduct Commission Report](Attachments/Govt%20Response.pdf)