1. Section 4A of the *Director of Public Prosecutions Act 1984* provides that there is to be a Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) and establishes the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP).
2. The ODPP’s responsibility is to prosecute criminal matters in the High Court of Australia, Court of Appeal (Qld), Supreme, Mental Health and District Courts, and the Magistrates Court (in limited locations and matters).
3. The responsibilities of the DPP include:
4. appearing as leading counsel in complex superior court criminal trials and in appeals in the Court of Appeal (Qld) and the High Court of Australia including those of great significance to the community and to the development of criminal law;
5. providing leadership in the design and delivery of prosecution services within Queensland;
6. providing leadership on legal and policy matters affecting the ODPP;
7. promoting cooperation and communication among criminal justice agencies and stakeholders;
8. leading the ODPP executive management team; and
9. promoting a focus on performance aimed at continuously improving the professional capability of staff and ODPP systems.
10. Cabinet endorsed that Mr Carl Heaton QC be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as the Director of Public Prosecutions for a term of five years commencing on and from 19 June 2020 to and including 18 June 2025.
11. *Attachments*
* Nil.