

Corporate Governance

The Commissioner is responsible for the strategic direction and management of the Service's operational, financial management and administrative functions. To assist the Commissioner in discharging these responsibilities, a corporate governance framework has been established incorporating two principal decision-making forums: the Senior Executive Conference and the Board of Management. Five strategic committees address more detailed aspects of the Service's responsibilities in respect to risk management, internal audit, information management, workplace health and safety and financial management.

Senior Executive Conference

The Senior Executive Conference:

- provides strategic focus and direction for the Queensland Police Service; and
- ensures cohesion, integration and coordination of the Service's strategic direction.

The Senior Executive Conference is chaired by the Commissioner. Membership includes all senior executive officers of the Service, two representatives of the Service's Women's Advisory Group and a senior police chaplain. The Conference meets quarterly.



Members of the 2004-05 Senior Executive Conference.

Board of Management

The functions of the Board of Management are to:

- support and facilitate the role of the Senior Executive Conference in setting the strategic focus and direction of the Service;
- ensure that the ongoing management of the Service is in accordance with the agreed strategic focus and direction;
- assist the Commissioner in the ongoing management of the Service, with particular regard to: operational, human resource management, information management, budget and financial resource management, and asset management issues;
- ensure that management is responsive to changing circumstances;
- identify issues relating to the strategic management of the Service that should be referred to the Senior Executive Conference; and
- ensure that the Service fulfils its obligations to all management standards and requirements, such as reporting timelines of the annual budget cycle.

The Board of Management is chaired by the Commissioner and includes the:
Deputy Chief Executive (Operations)
Deputy Chief Executive (Resource Management)
Director, Office of the Commissioner
two Assistant Commissioners

In 2004-05, the Assistant Commissioners' positions were filled by:
Assistant Commissioner David Melville, South Eastern Region
Assistant Commissioner Ron Vincent, Crime and Misconduct Commission Police Group
Assistant Commissioner Peter Swindells, State Crime Operations Command

In 2004-05 the Board of Management met on 12 occasions.



Members of the Board of Management (L to R) Deputy Commissioner Dick Conder APM, Commissioner Bob Atkinson APM, Mr Bruce Moy, and Acting Deputy Chief Executive (Resource Management), David Melville APM.



Member of the Board of Management, Deputy Chief Executive (Resource Management), John Just PSM.

Committees

Risk Management Committee

The Service recognises risk management as an integral part of management practice. The Risk Management Committee is responsible for:

- providing direction and guidance for the implementation of risk management practices;
- ensuring that management accountability for risk management is maintained and supported by appropriate systems and controls;
- initiating, coordinating and monitoring actions to reduce or eliminate risks;
- establishing appropriate information systems to facilitate monitoring of the effectiveness of the Service's risk management policy; and

- planning and implementing training programs relating to risk management.

The Risk Management Committee is chaired by the Assistant Commissioner, Ethical Standards Command, and includes the:

Deputy Chief Executive (Operations)
 Deputy Chief Executive (Resource Management)
 Director, Office of the Commissioner
 Director, Finance Division
 Assistant Commissioner, South Eastern Region
 Risk Management Coordinator
 Queensland Police Service Solicitor

In 2004-05 the Committee met on two occasions.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee functions include:

- overseeing internal audit work plans and priorities;
- reviewing internal audit reports and monitoring the implementation of audit recommendations;
- reviewing annual financial statements; and
- liaison between the external auditor and the Commissioner.

The Committee is chaired by an independent accountant, Mr Graham Carpenter, and includes:

Director, Administration Division
 Assistant Commissioner, Ethical Standards Command
 Assistant Commissioner, Metropolitan South Region

In 2004-05 the Committee met on three occasions.

Information Steering Committee

The Information Steering Committee is responsible for ensuring that the Service's investment in the development, implementation, use and support of information, communication and technology (ICT) is efficient and effective, and delivers the benefits and outcomes expected. This includes:

- providing strategic focus and effective direction of ICT for the Service;
- ensuring cohesion, integration and coordination of the Service's strategic ICT direction in support of the efficiency, effectiveness, equity and consistency in providing policing services to the Queensland community;
- setting the direction for development, review and implementation of the Service's ICT Strategic Plan; and
- addressing strategic ICT issues.

The Committee is chaired by the Commissioner, and includes the:

Deputy Chief Executive (Operations)
 Deputy Chief Executive (Resource Management)
 Assistant Commissioner, Operations Support Command
 Assistant Commissioner, Ethical Standards Command
 Assistant Commissioner (rotational member from Regions/Commands)
 Director, Finance Division

Director, Administration Division
Director, Information Management Division
Executive Director, Law and Justice Policy, Department of the Premier and Cabinet
Assistant Under Treasurer, Queensland Treasury
Director, Information Management Branch, Department of Corrective Services
Manager, Information Planning Branch (Executive Officer)
Manager, Information Systems Branch (Visitor)

In 2004-05 the Committee met on three occasions.

Corporate Health and Safety Coordinating Committee

The Corporate Health and Safety Coordinating Committee monitors statewide corporate health and safety issues encompassing employee welfare, wellbeing and health management and safety related matters. The Committee monitors the management of stress related issues throughout the Service and provides recommendations on matters of concern to management and subordinate health and safety committees.

The Committee provides a consultative forum for Service management, employee representatives and the relevant trade unions of employees, in addition to establishing recommendations for the resolution of identified strategic corporate health and safety issues.

The Committee is chaired by the Commissioner or his delegate and includes the:

Manager, Health and Safety Section
Inspector, Operational Research & Advisory Unit
Risk Management Coordinator, Ethical Standards Command
Coordinator, Employee Assistance Service
Inspector, Operational Performance Review Unit
Queensland Police Service Solicitor's representative
Queensland Public Sector Union representative
Queensland Police Commissioned Officers' Union representative
Queensland Police Union of Employees representative
Police chaplaincy representative
Property and Facilities Branch representative
Health & Safety Advisor (Stress Management) - secretariat

In addition, other employees and guests may be invited to attend meetings to assist the Committee in its deliberations.

In 2004-05 the Committee met on four occasions.

Finance Committee

The function of the Finance Committee is to advise the Board of Management on the status of the Service's budget and determine funding allocations across the regions, commands and divisions.

The Committee is chaired by the Deputy Chief Executive (Resource Management) and includes the:

Commissioner
Deputy Chief Executive (Operations)
Director, Finance Division
Manager, Policy Unit, Office of the Commissioner
Manager, Financial Operations

In 2004-05 the Committee met monthly.