



# **PARLIAMENTARY CRIME AND CORRUPTION COMMISSIONER**

## **REPORT TO THE PARLIAMENTARY CRIME AND CORRUPTION COMMITTEE**

### **PUBLIC REPORT**

**19 AUGUST 2025**

#### **OPERATIONAL REPORT**

1. This report details the activities of the Office of the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Commissioner for the period since 22 April 2025, when the report for the previous meeting with the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee was provided, to 29 July 2025.

#### **Progressive Work Program**

2. The Progressive Work Program of the Office of the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Commissioner for the period 23 April to 29 July 2025 is attached as Appendix 1 for the consideration of the Committee.

#### **SIGNIFICANT EVENTS**

##### **Appointment of Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Commissioner**

3. Mr Michael Woodford resigned his position as Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Commissioner by formal notice to the Speaker on 31 January 2025 prior to taking up his appointment as President of the Parole Board Queensland. The office's Principal Legal Officer, Mr Mitchell Kunde, was appointed to act as Parliamentary Commissioner until the appointment of a new Parliamentary Commissioner.
4. On 26 May 2025 the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, the Honourable Pat Weir MP, tabled notice of my appointment to the position of Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Commissioner for the term of three years commencing 26 May 2025. Mr Kunde was appointed to act as Parliamentary Commissioner as may be required under section 308 of the *Crime and Corruption Act 2001*.

##### **Prospective Amendments to *Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979 (Cth)***

5. Over the last two years, the Committee and the Parliamentary Commissioner's office have been involved in discussions with the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC), the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department and other agencies concerning proposed amendments to the *Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979 (Cth)* (TIA Act). The proposed

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amendments are sought to enable the CCC Chairperson to communicate lawfully intercepted information and/or interception warrant information to the Parliamentary Commissioner for certain permitted purposes.

### **Records of the Connolly Ryan Commission of Inquiry**

6. The Connolly Ryan Commission of Inquiry (COI) was constituted by Order in Council in 1996. The COI concluded unresolved in 1997. Under the *Crime and Corruption Act* the Parliamentary Commissioner is required to secure the records of the Connolly Ryan COI so that only persons who satisfy the Parliamentary Commissioner that they have a legitimate need of access may access the records. The most important aspect of this role is the determination of a person's legitimate need of access. It is not essential that my office maintains physical possession of the records in order to make that assessment.
7. In August 2024 amendments were made to the *Crime and Corruption Act* (s.346C) which allowed the Connolly Ryan records to be moved to, and eventually be under the control of, the Queensland State Archivist.

### **Five-year Review**

8. On 16 June 2025 the Chair of the Committee, the Honourable Mark Furner MP, wrote to inform me that the Committee had commenced its latest five-year review of the activities of the CCC in accordance with section 292(f) of the *Crime and Corruption Act*. The Committee invited me to make a submission to the review by 5 October 2025.
9. I have commenced consideration of issues raised in previous submissions made by my office. A number of those issues have since been addressed by amendments to the *Crime and Corruption Act* or other legislation. I am considering whether issues which have not been addressed need to be re-ventilated and any new concerns which need to be raised.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

### **Key Outputs achieved during the period 23 April to 29 July 2025.**

10.

<b>Function</b>	<b>Output</b>
Committee referrals finalised	1
Statutory functions finalised	2
Notifications of improper conduct assessed	9
Advices to the Committee finalised	0
Own initiative investigations finalised	0
Committee referrals received	0
Statutory functions arising	1
Notifications of improper conduct received	9
Advices to the Committee requested	0
Own initiative investigations commenced	0
Committee referrals on hand	0
Statutory functions on hand	1
Notifications of improper conduct to be assessed	0
Advices to the Committee to be provided	0
Own initiative investigations current	0

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Reports to the Committee	3
Public meetings with the Committee	1
Private meetings with the Committee	1
Other meetings (CCC/QPS etc)	1
Hearings (in hours)	0
<b>Timeliness</b>	
Cumulative average time taken to finalise complaints against the CCC	24 weeks
Cumulative average time taken to finalise statutory functions	5 weeks

## MATTERS ARISING FROM KEY OUTPUTS

### Audit of Assumed Identities

11. Pursuant to s.316 of the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* (PPRA) and s.146ZS of the *Crime and Corruption Act*, the CCC Chairperson must have the records of authorities for the use of assumed identities audited by the Parliamentary Commissioner at least once every six months while the authority is in force and at least once in the six months after the cancellation or expiry of the authority. The Parliamentary Commissioner is required to give the CCC Chairperson a report on the results of the audit.
12. A six-monthly audit of the CCC's records of authorities for the use of assumed identities was conducted on 23 April 2025. A report on the results of the audit was provided to the CCC Chairperson the following day.

### Inspection and Report on Surveillance Device Warrants Records

13. Section 362(1) of the PPRA requires that the Parliamentary Commissioner inspect the CCC's surveillance device warrant records to decide the extent of compliance with Chapter 13 of the PPRA by the CCC and law enforcement officers of the CCC.
14. On 29 April 2025, notice of an inspection of the CCC's surveillance device warrant records was provided to the CCC Chairperson pursuant to s.362(2)(a) of the PPRA. An inspection of the CCC's surveillance device warrants records was conducted on 7 and 8 May 2025.
15. Pursuant to s.363(1) of the PPRA, the Parliamentary Commissioner is required to make written reports at six-monthly intervals on the results of each inspection under s.362. A written report on the results of the inspection was provided to the Committee on 29 May 2025. The Committee Chair tabled the report on 13 June 2025.

### Intelligence Data Review

16. Section 320(1) of the *Crime and Corruption Act* requires the Parliamentary Commissioner to conduct an annual review of the intelligence data in the possession of the CCC and the Queensland Police Service (QPS). The 2024-25 intelligence data review will involve inspections of the intelligence data held by the QPS State Intelligence Group and the CCC's intelligence holdings on its IRAS database.
17. I have written to the QPS Commissioner and the CCC Chairperson to advise that I wish to start making arrangements to conduct the 2025 review of intelligence data. I have made arrangements for appropriate Australian Government Securities Clearances for Mr Kunde and me.
18. Section 320(3) of the *Crime and Corruption Act* requires that the Parliamentary Commissioner prepare a written advice on the review containing the Parliamentary Commissioner's findings and recommendations. That advice is to be provided to the Parliamentary Committee, the CCC Chairperson and the QPS Commissioner.

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## Review Matter

19. This matter was finalised during the reporting period.

## Section 329 Notifications

20. Pursuant to s.314(4) of the *Crime and Corruption Act* the Parliamentary Commissioner has the function to investigate on his or her own initiative a matter mentioned in s.314(2)(b) or (c) or a matter notified to the Parliamentary Commissioner under s.329, subject to certain conditions set out in s.314(4)(a) and (b). During the period covered by this report, the CCC sent notifications to the Committee and to me pursuant to s.329 of the Act.
21. Under s.314(5) of the Act, the Parliamentary Commissioner is permitted to undertake a preliminary assessment of a matter to decide whether the conditions set out in s.314(4)(a) and (b) are satisfied for the matter.
22. If the Parliamentary Commissioner decides to conduct a preliminary assessment under s.314(5), then pursuant to s.314(7), the Parliamentary Commissioner must notify the Parliamentary Committee of the decision. I finalised preliminary assessments of the s.329 notifications received in this reporting period and notified the Committee and the CCC of my assessments.

## CERTIFICATION

23. I submit that the above information demonstrates:

- a) satisfactory progress in the efficient, effective and economical achievement of the goals of the Office of the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Commissioner;
- b) resources are being allocated to produce best value for money; and
- c) outputs are being provided at the standards stated in the Parliamentary Service Plan.

24. I also submit that the above information confirms:

- a) the appropriateness of the goal, and strategies to achieve the goal, as outlined in the Parliamentary Service Management Plan;
- b) the suitability of the performance indicators in measuring the achievement of the goal;
- c) options to improve the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of operations are being pursued.



Dr Daniel Morgan  
**Parliamentary Crime and  
Corruption Commissioner**

*Appendix 1*

**PARLIAMENTARY CRIME AND CORRUPTION COMMISSIONER**

**Progressive Work Program**

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**As at 29 July 2025**

**Meeting date: 19 August 2025**

Inquiry or Function	Description	Anticipated or agreed completion date	Progress last reporting period	Anticipated progress next reporting period	Resources
Audit of Assumed Identities	Pursuant to s.146ZS <i>Crime and Corruption Act</i> and s.316(1) <i>PPRA</i> , audit the CCC's records of authorities for assumed identities and provide a report to the CCC Chair.	April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspected registers of assumed identities, cancellations and variations.</li> <li>• Inspected authorities to acquire/use assumed identities, variations and cancellations.</li> <li>• Prepared report on audit of assumed identities.</li> <li>• Provided report to CCC Chair.</li> </ul>	Finalised. Report provided to CCC 23 April 2025.	Acting Parliamentary Commissioner
Inspection and report on the inspection of the CCC's records of Surveillance Device Warrants	Pursuant to s.362 of the <i>PPRA</i> inspect the CCC's records to decide extent of compliance with chapter 13 of the <i>PPRA</i> and report to the Committee Chair.	April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formally notified CCC Chair of inspection.</li> <li>• Inspected warrants registers for all required documents.</li> <li>• Checked warrants compliance with provisions of <i>PPRA</i>.</li> <li>• Inspected Use and Communication register.</li> <li>• Inspected destruction register.</li> <li>• Prepared draft report and provided to CCC.</li> <li>• Finalised report.</li> </ul>	Finalised. Report provided to Committee 29 May 2025.	Acting Parliamentary Commissioner
Review information provided by Committee	Pursuant to s.295(2)(f) of the <i>Crime and Corruption Act</i> review information and advise whether CCC acted appropriately.	Feb/March 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed report on review.</li> </ul>	Finalised. Report provided to Committee 2 May 2025.	Acting Parliamentary Commissioner

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<p>Receive and assess notifications of suspected improper conduct.</p> <p>Intelligence Data Review</p>	<p>Pursuant to s.314(5) of the <i>Crime and Corruption Act</i> assess notifications received from CCC of suspected improper conduct of Commission officers.</p> <p>Pursuant to s.320(1) of the <i>Crime and Corruption Act</i> conduct an annual review of intelligence data in the possession of the CCC and the QPS.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>October 2025</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Received new s.329 notifications.</li> <li>Assessed notifications.</li> <li>Advised Committee and CCC of assessment decisions for notifications.</li> <li>Formally notified QPS Commissioner and CCC Chair of Review.</li> <li>Requested security clearances from QPS.</li> </ul>	<p>Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inspect CCC intelligence holdings on IRAS.</li> <li>Inspect dissemination registers at CCC.</li> <li>Inspect intelligence data on ACID at QPS State Intelligence Group</li> <li>Inspect intelligence data on QPRIME at QPS Crime and Intelligence Command.</li> <li>Obtain details of QPS Command structure.</li> <li>Obtain details of joint meetings from CCC.</li> <li>Commence drafting advice on Intelligence Data Review</li> </ul>	<p>Parliamentary Commissioner</p> <p>Principal Legal Officer</p> <p>Parliamentary Commissioner</p> <p>Principal Legal Officer</p>