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## Primary legislation (Acts of Parliament)

Parliament did not sit during the period covered by this Update.

### Bills assented to

#### A. The Bills for the following Acts were assented to on 9 December 2016

The Bills for these Acts were all passed by the Legislative Assembly during the parliamentary sitting week of 29 November to 1 December 2016. For details of their passage through the Legislative Assembly, see *Legislation Update* No.48 of 2016, dated 7 December 2016, at pages 8-11. Their commencement details are set out below.

##### 1. ***Serious and Organised Crime Legislation Amendment Act 2016 – Act No.62 of 2016***

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement):

- The following provisions commence on the day that is three months after the date of assent:
  - Division 3 of Part 7
  - Part 17
  - Part 18
  - Division 3 of Part 21
  - Part 22
  - Section 396(4) to (7)
  - Division 3 of Part 30
  - Part 2 of Schedule 1
- Division 4 of Part 7 commences on the day that is two years after the date of assent.

The remaining provisions of this Act commenced on the date of its assent, pursuant to s15A of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*.

##### 2. ***Industrial Relations Act 2016 – Act No.63 of 2016***

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement):

- Part 8 of Chapter 19, other than the following provisions, commences on assent:
  - ss1118 to 1124
  - ss1126 to 1128
  - s1151
  - s1152, to the extent it inserts new s289
- The remaining provisions of this Act commence on a date to be fixed by proclamation.

##### 3. ***Revenue and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016 – Act No.64 of 2016***

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement), the following provisions commence on a date to be fixed by proclamation:

- Part 2
- Parts 5 to 8
- Part 11
- Schedule 1.

The remaining provisions of this Act commenced on the date of its assent, pursuant to s15A of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*.

##### 4. ***Heavy Vehicle National Law and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016 – Act No.65 of 2016***

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement) of this Act, Chapters 2 and 3 commence on a date to be fixed by proclamation.

The remaining provisions of this Act commenced on the date of its assent, pursuant to s15A of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954*.

[As noted in last week's *Legislation Update*, the Bill for this Act was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 1 December 2016 (see *Legislation Update* No.48 of 2016 at page 11). Since then, the final version of the edition of the *Hansard* for that date has been published which confirmed that the Opposition amendment to insert a new provision in that Bill after cl.141, namely, cl.141A (Insertion of new ch12, pt4), was adopted. (Details of the effect of that amendment are set out in last week's *Legislation Update*.)]

## 5. *Cross River Rail Delivery Authority Act 2016 – Act No.66 of 2016*

Section 2 (Commencement) of this Act provides as follows:

- This Act commences on a date to be fixed by proclamation.
- However, if no date has been fixed by 1 July 2017, the Act commences on that date.
- Section 15DA of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1954* does not apply to this Act.

## Acts/legislation commenced by proclamation

### A. Legislation commenced by a proclamation signed on 7 December 2016

#### 1. *Public Health (Water Risk Management) Amendment Act 2016*

- SL No.226 of 2016 – see below under the heading, ‘Subordinate legislation’.

#### 2. *Grammar Schools Act 2016*

- SL No.227 of 2016 – see below under the heading, ‘Subordinate legislation’.

#### 3. *Major Sports Facilities and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016*

- SL No.230 of 2016 – see below under the heading, ‘Subordinate legislation’.

## Subordinate legislation

### A. Subordinate legislation notified on the Queensland Legislation website on 9 December 2016

#### 1. **SL No.225 of 2016: *Public Health (Water Risk Management) Amendment Regulation 2016***

As outlined in its explanatory notes, this regulation amends the *Public Health Regulation 2005* to prescribe matters necessary to support the implementation of a water risk management framework under the *Public Health (Water Risk Management) Amendment Act 2016* (the Amendment Act), which amended the *Public Health Act 2005* (the Act) to implement a legislative framework to:

- improve the management and control of health risks associated with the supply and use of water in hospitals and residential aged care facilities, in particular the health risks associated with *Legionella* bacteria
- provide greater transparency of water-testing activities being undertaken by these facilities to detect *Legionella* bacteria.

When it commences on 1 February 2017, the Act will require prescribed facilities to:

- have in place water risk management plans to address the public health risks associated with the supply and use of water
- comply with a water risk management plan
- notify the Department of Health within one business day of being notified of a test result confirming the presence of *Legionella* bacteria in water used by the facility
- provide the Department of Health with periodic reports regarding the results of tests for *Legionella* bacteria undertaken in accordance with their water risk management plans.

This regulation provides for these matters.

The Act will also enable the chief executive of the Department of Health to publish water testing information provided by prescribed facilities.

The requirements will initially apply to public hospitals that provide in-patient services, private health facilities licensed under the *Private Health Facilities Act 1999*, and aged care facilities at which a residential aged care service is provided by the state under the *Aged Care Act 1997*. (The Amendment Act makes provision for other aged care facilities to be prescribed by regulation, which will enable the requirements to be implemented in the private residential aged care sector through a phased approach.)

In particular, the Amendment Act enables the following matters, amongst other things, to be prescribed by regulation (which this regulation effects):

- the meaning of the term ‘prescribed test’
- a requirement to be included in a water risk management plan
- the meaning of the term ‘reporting period’.

The substantive amendment made by this regulation to the *Public Health Regulation 2005* is to insert, after s2X, a new part, namely, Part 1B (Water risk management plans) which consists of the following provisions:

- Section 2Y (Prescribed tests—Act, s61A)
- Section 2Z (Prescribed requirement—Act, s61D)
- Section 2ZA (Prescribed reporting period—Act, s61I).

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement), this regulation commences on 1 February 2017.

**2. SL No.226 of 2016: Proclamation commencing remaining provisions of the *Public Health (Water Risk Management) Amendment Act 2016***

By a proclamation signed on 7 December 2017, the Governor fixed 1 February 2017 for the commencement of the provisions of the *Public Health (Water Risk Management) Amendment Act 2016* (Act No.33 of 2016) that are not then in force.

The content of the legislative provisions commenced by this proclamation is summarised in the entry under SL No.225 of 2016: *Public Health (Water Risk Management) Amendment Regulation 2016* immediately above.

**3. SL No.227 of 2016: Proclamation commencing remaining provisions of the *Grammar Schools Act 2016***

By a proclamation signed on 7 December 2017, the Governor fixed 1 January 2017 for the commencement of the *Grammar Schools Act 2016* (Act No.52 of 2016), which Act, as summarised in the explanatory notes for this instrument, “regulates the establishment and governance of grammar schools... (and) will replace the *Grammar Schools Act 1975* with modern legislation that meets the contemporary needs of grammar schools; reduces red tape on the schools; removes prescriptive requirements regarding financial accountability of grammar schools; and removes the ability to establish additional grammar schools in the future”.

**4. SL No.228 of 2016: *Grammar Schools Regulation 2016***

This regulation, as listed in its explanatory notes, prescribes the following matters:

- the particulars to be kept in the register of donors
- the electoral eligibility amounts
- the process for the conduct of an election of elected members to a grammar school board.

The explanatory notes for this regulation state that it is “generally consistent” with the *Grammar School Regulation 2004*, except:

- this regulation removes the existing restriction requiring elections to be conducted by paper ballot. (It will enable grammar school boards to decide to conduct elections via paper or electronic ballot, for example, via email or by engaging an electronic voting company.)
- for the other major reform implemented in this regulation which, when combined with s54 of the *Grammar Schools Act 2016*, means that the secretary of a grammar school board will not need to notify an eligible voter of an election if the board no longer has a current address for the person, provided reasonable attempts have been made to contact the person.

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement), this regulation commences on 1 January 2017.

**5. SL No.229 of 2016: *Work Health and Safety and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation (No.1) 2016***

The policy objectives of this regulation, as discussed in its explanatory notes, are achieved by its:

- ensuring a smooth transition to the ‘Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals’ by clarifying requirements on end users of hazardous chemicals at a workplace
- clarifying that it is not necessary to include duplicate label elements required by other labelling laws providing it does not decrease the level of protection or information in relation to the hazards of the chemical
- exempting Schedules 4 and 8 veterinary medicines from work, health and safety labelling requirements
- implementing 18 new infringement notice offences for certain work health and safety offences in key risk areas such as asbestos, hazardous chemicals and construction work
- providing certainty when disclosure of information is considered necessary for the administration or enforcement of another Act
- retaining the existing plant item registration and renewal arrangements until 1 January 2019
- making “minor amendments that are machinery in nature to ensure consistency and rectify incorrect or outdated references”.

To effect these measures, this regulation amends the following regulations:

- *Electrical Safety Regulation 2013*
- *Safety in Recreational Water Activities Regulation 2011*
- *State Penalties Enforcement Regulation 2014*
- *Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011*.

**6. SL No.230 of 2016: Proclamation commencing remaining provisions of the *Major Sports Facilities and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016***

By a proclamation signed on 7 December 2017, the Governor fixed the specified dates for the commencement of the following provisions of the *Major Sports Facilities and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016* (Act No.56 of 2016):

- Part 3 (which provides for keno jackpot pooling) commenced on 8 December 2016
- The provisions that are not then in force and not otherwise commenced under this proclamation commence on 1 January 2017, that is, the provisions in Part 2 which amends the *Gaming Machine Act 1991* to change the way in which gaming machine revenue for clubs is assessed for taxation purposes.

The summary of the content for each of the parts referred to is taken from this instrument's explanatory notes.

**7. SL No.231 of 2016: *Liquor (3a.m. Safe Night Precincts) Amendment Regulation 2016***

The policy objective of this regulation, as stated in its explanatory notes, is "to amend the *Liquor Regulation 2002* (Liquor Regulation) to prescribe certain safe night precincts (SNPs) as 3am SNPs for the purposes of amendments arising from the *Tackling Alcohol-Fuelled Violence Legislation Amendment Act 2016*".

In particular, this regulation inserts new provisions in the Liquor Regulation, namely, s3EA (3a.m. safe night precincts—Act, s173P) and Schedule 16A (3a.m. safe night precincts), which prescribe the following SNPs as 3am SNPs:

- Airlie Beach CBD
- Brisbane CBD
- Broadbeach CBD
- Bundaberg CBD
- Fortitude Valley
- Ipswich CBD
- Mackay CBD
- Rockhampton CBD
- Sunshine Coast
- Surfers Paradise CBD
- Townsville CBD.

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement), this regulation commences on 1 February 2017.

**8. SL No.232 of 2016: *State Penalties Enforcement Amendment Regulation (No.5) 2016***

As summarised in its explanatory notes, this regulation amends the *State Penalties Enforcement Regulation 2014*:

- in relation to an offence under s440ZG of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (for the unlawful deposit of prescribed water contaminants or the unlawful release of storm water run-off), to provide for a reduced penalty infringement notice (PIN) amount for corporations when the prescribed water contaminant is earth from a small building site or the storm water run-off flows from a small building site
- to prescribe PIN offences under the *Liquor Act 1992* for failure of licensees to comply with requirements as to who must be present or reasonably available at licensed premises during specified trading hours
- to remove existing PIN offences under the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* as a consequence of the underlying offence provisions having been repealed
- to prescribe new PIN offences under the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011* for the failure of:
  - a registered person to comply with the end of waste code (s158)
  - an end of waste approval holder to comply with the conditions of the approval [s173P(2)].

**9. SL No.233 of 2016: *Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (Fees Reforms) Amendment Regulation 2016***

Currently, ss6 and 7 of the *Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal Regulation 2009* (QCAT Regulation), as discussed in the explanatory notes for this regulation, impose a fee for applications, referrals and applications for proceedings to be reopened in the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT). However, these fees are charged only if an Act conferring jurisdiction on QCAT (an 'enabling Act') is listed in the Schedule to the QCAT Regulation, with the consequence that every time new jurisdiction is conferred on QCAT, the QCAT Regulation has to also be amended before fees can be charged for this new jurisdiction.

The QCAT Regulation is being amended by this regulation to provide a 'default' fee provision for the existing applications, referrals or re-opening applications fee to apply unless the enabling Act conferring jurisdiction on QCAT is specifically excluded under the QCAT Regulation, the effect of which "is that existing fees will apply to a range of matters for which a fee is currently not payable due to inadvertent omissions from the Schedule to the QCAT Regulation and in addition, to any conferral of new jurisdiction on QCAT by a future enabling Act". (Existing specific exceptions to the current fee structure are to be maintained.)

Further, in order "to discourage unmeritorious appeals and the associated impact on QCAT's appeal jurisdiction, the QCAT Regulation is also being amended to remove the current requirement for QCAT to refund half the fee for unsuccessful applications for leave to appeal and unsuccessful applications to reopen proceedings". (However, to address situations in which payment of the full fee would cause a person undue financial hardship, the QCAT Regulation is also being amended to give the principal registrar a discretionary power to allow payment of a reduced appeal fee of \$100 if satisfied these circumstances exist.)

Other amendments introduce a fee for counter-applications for an amount equal to that payable for the initial application or referral and photocopy fees for parties requesting copies of proceedings.

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement) of this regulation:

- This regulation, other than s13(2), commenced on 12 December 2016.
- Section 13(2) commences when s73 of the *Education and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016* commences. [Section 13(2) provides for a consequential name change to the Professional Practice and Conduct Committee to reflect the name change to be made by the *Education and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016*.]

#### 10. SL No.234 of 2016: *Legal Profession Amendment Regulation (No.1) 2016*

This regulation, as referred to in its explanatory notes, amends the *Legal Profession Regulation 2007*:

- as a consequence of amendments to the *Legal Profession Act 2007* made by the *Limitation of Actions (Child Sexual Abuse) and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2016*, which commence on 1 January 2017, that remove the requirement for solicitors to maintain 'prescribed account' trust bank accounts in addition to their ordinary general trust bank accounts
- to update an eligibility criteria for external examiners of solicitors' trust accounts under s65 by replacing the reference to 'The Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia' with 'Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand'.

Pursuant to s2 (Commencement), ss5 and 6, both of which relate to the prescribed account trust bank accounts issue, commence on 1 January 2017.

The remaining provisions of this regulation commenced on the date of its notification, pursuant to ss32 and 33 of the *Statutory Instruments Act 1992*.

#### 11. SL No.235 of 2016: *Forestry and Nature Conservation Legislation (Beerwah and Mooloolah River) Amendment Regulation 2016*

This regulation, as listed in its explanatory notes, amends the following:

- Schedule (State forests) of the *Forestry (State Forests) Regulation 1987* to revoke the setting apart and declaration of an area of about 744.558 hectares, being parts of Beerwah State Forest dedicated as Mooloolah River National Park, and redescribe the balance of the state forest
- Schedule 2 (National parks) of the *Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994* to dedicate the above mentioned area of about 744.558 hectares, previously parts of Beerwah State Forest, as Mooloolah River National Park and redescribe the national park.

## Local laws

No local laws were notified during the period covered by this *Legislation Update*.

## Approved forms/guidelines

### A. "Extraordinary" edition of the *Queensland Government Gazette* of 2 December 2016

(Note: Although the date of this edition of the *Gazette*, strictly speaking, falls outside the period covered by this *Legislation Update*, it is included here because it is published in the weekly consolidated edition of the *Gazette* of 9 December 2016 and was not included in the weekly consolidated edition of the *Gazette* of 2 December 2016. Also, even though it was included in *Legislation Update* No.48 of 2016 at page 14, it is repeated here for the sake of completeness.)

Notification of the approval of, and the withdrawal of approval for, forms for use under the following Act:

#### 1. **Retail Shop Leases Act 1994**

- The following forms were approved:
  - Form No.7 (Version 4): Lessor disclosure statement
  - Form No.8 (Version 2): Lessee disclosure statement
  - Form No.9 (Version 2): Assignor disclosure statement
  - Form No.11 (Version 2): Financial advice report
  - Form No.12 (Version 2): Legal advice report
  - Form No.13 (Version 2): Annual estimate of outgoings
  - Form No.14 (Version 2): Audited statement of outgoings
  - Form No.15 (Version 1): Assignee disclosure statement to Assignor
  - Form No.16 (Version 1): Assignee disclosure statement to Lessor
- Approval for the following forms was withdrawn:
  - Form 7 (Version 3): Lessor disclosure statement
  - Form 8 (Version 1): Lessee disclosure statement
  - Form 9 (Version 1): Assignor disclosure statement
  - Form 10 (Version 1): Assignee disclosure statement
  - Form 11 (Version 1): Financial advice report
  - Form 12 (Version 1): Legal advice report
  - Form 13 (Version 1): Annual estimate of outgoings
  - Form 14 (Version 1): Audited statement of outgoings.

#### B. **Queensland Government Gazette of 9 December 2016**

Notification of the approval of, or the withdrawal of approval for, forms for use under the following Acts:

##### 1. **Legal Profession Act 2007**

The following forms were approved:

- QLS Form 1 (LPA) (Version 12): Application for grant of a practising certificate
- QLS Form 1A (LPA) (Version 5): Application for Grant of a Principal Practising Certificate – Upgrade from Non-Principal Practising Certificate
- QLS Form 28 (LPA) (Version 5): Application by Foreign Lawyer for Grant of Registration to Practise Foreign Law in Queensland
- QLS Form 29 (LPA) (Version 5): Application for Grant of a Volunteer Practising Certificate
- QLS Form 34 (LPA) (Version 4): Application by Foreign Lawyer for Renewal of Registration to Practise Foreign Law in Queensland.

##### 2. **Mineral Resources Act 1989/Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004/Petroleum Act 1923**

Version 2 of the following forms was approved (with effect from 6 December 2016):

- Form No.MMOL-34: Application for water monitoring authority
- Form No.MMOL-38: Application to amend a water monitoring authority.

Approval for version 1 of the above forms was revoked.

## Other statutory instruments/statutory notices

#### A. “Extraordinary” edition of the *Queensland Government Gazette* of 2 December 2016

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## 1. *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*

“Re-gazettal” of the notification given by the Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment, under s60(1), that the draft *Yeerongpilly Transit Oriented Development State Planning Regulatory Provision 2016* (the draft SPRP) has been released for public consultation, with a deadline for submissions of 5pm on 27 February 2017.

This notice was originally published in the *Government Gazette* of 2 December 2016 – see *Legislation Update* No.48 of 2016, dated 7 December 2016, at page 15 (the earlier notice).

However, as stated in this subsequent notice, the earlier notice failed to state the Minister’s decision under s73 of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*. This subsequent *Gazette* notice rectified that omission by stating:

“In accordance with section 73, I the Honourable Jackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment, am satisfied that any delay in the commencement of the draft SPRP would increase the risk of

(a) serious harm to the environment or serious adverse cultural, economic or social conditions happening in a planning scheme area

notify that the draft SPRP has effect as if it were a State Planning Regulatory Provision on the date of this gazettal notice (2 December 2016).”

## B. ‘Extraordinary’ edition of the *Queensland Government Gazette* of 7 December 2016

### 1. *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*

Gazettal of the notice of adoption of Temporary Local Planning Instrument No.05/16 *Protection of Character Buildings* (TLPI 05/16) by the Brisbane City Council at its meeting of 6 December 2016, which instrument commenced with immediate effect and will cease to have effect at the end of 6 December 2017 (unless repealed at an earlier date).

The purpose of TLPI 05/16 is “to facilitate protection of buildings constructed prior to 1911 by providing for the assessment of any removal, demolition or partial demolition of any pre-1911 building identified in Table 1 of the notice: *Buildings deemed to be identified on the Pre-1911 building overlay map of the TLPI 05/16*”. These sites “are deemed to be contained in the Pre-1911 building overlay and identified on the Pre-1911 building overlay map in the Pre-1911 building site sub-category of *Brisbane City Plan 2014*”. This TLPI “applies assessment provisions to development of the nominated land and applies in addition to the current provisions of *Brisbane City Plan 2014*”. These sites are located at addresses specified in the table in the following suburbs of Brisbane:

- Albion
- Alderley
- Annerley
- Ashgrove
- Auchenflower
- Bald Hills
- Bowen Hills
- Camp Hill
- Chelmer
- Clayfield
- Coorparoo
- Corinda
- East Brisbane
- Fairfield
- Fortitude Valley
- Graceville
- Greenslopes
- Hamilton
- Hemmant
- Hendra
- Kangaroo Point
- Kedron
- Lutwyche
- Manly
- Moorooka
- Morningside

- New Farm
- Newmarket
- Newstead
- Nundah
- Rocklea
- Sandgate
- South Brisbane
- Spring Hill
- Taringa
- Toowong
- Wavell Heights
- West End
- Wilston
- Windsor
- Woolloongabba
- Woollowin
- Yeronga.

### C. 'Extraordinary' edition of the *Queensland Government Gazette* of 8 December 2016

#### 1. *Local Government Regulation 2012*

Gazettal of the determination, as required by s246(3)(b), made by the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal on 24 November 2016, of the maximum remuneration to apply from 1 July 2017 for mayors, deputy mayors and councillors of local governments (excluding Brisbane City Council).

### D. *Queensland Government Gazette* of 9 December 2016

#### 1. *Place Names Act 1994*

- Gazettal of the *Place Name Decision Notice (No.10) 2016*, under s11, pursuant to which notice was given that the Minister for State Development and Minister for Natural Resources and Mines has made a decision to alter the boundaries of the places as set out in the schedule to the notice, which are located within the following local government areas:
  - Gympie Regional Council
  - Brisbane City Council
  - Scenic Rim Regional Council
  - Moreton Bay Regional Council
  - Southern Downs Regional Council
  - South Burnett Regional Council
  - Sunshine Coast Regional Council
- Gazettal of the *Place Name Decision Notice (No.11) 2016*, under s11, pursuant to which notice was given that the Minister for State Development and Minister for Natural Resources and Mines has made a decision to alter the boundaries of the places as set out in the schedule to the notice, which are located within the following local government areas:
  - Tablelands Regional Council
  - Charters Towers Regional Council
  - Bulloo Shire Council
  - Gold Coast City Council
  - Brisbane City Council
  - Western Downs Council
- Gazettal of the *Place Name Decision Notice (No.12) 2016*, under s11, pursuant to which notice was given that the Minister for State Development and Minister for Natural Resources and Mines has made a decision to alter the boundaries of the three places as set out in the schedule to the notice, all of which are located within the local government area of the Southern Downs Regional Council.

## 2. Sustainable Planning Act 2009

- Gazettal of the notice, given under s117(1), that the Logan City Council on the specified dates, adopted the following:
  - on 18 November 2016, the ‘Standard Drawings Amendment’, the purpose and general effect of which is to update the Standard Drawings identified in Planning Scheme Policy 5–Infrastructure and to correct cross-references
  - on 25 November 2016, the Greenbank Training Area Buffer Overlay Amendment, the purpose and general effect of which is to amend the Greenbank Training Area Buffer Overlay by:
    - reducing the extent of the overlay buffer area
    - reducing the types of development requiring assessment against the code
    - amending the code outcomes
- Gazettal of the notice, given under s117(3), that, on 21 November 2016, the Scenic Rim Regional Council adopted the *Temporary Local Planning Instrument 01/2016 (Flood Hazard)*, with effect on and from 12 December 2016 until 11 December 2017 and which applies to the whole of the Scenic Rim Local Government Area. Its purpose and general effect is to enhance the community’s resilience to flood hazard by:
  - suspending the operation of the specific provisions in the *Beaudesert Shire Planning Scheme 2007*, the *Boonah Shire Planning Scheme 2006* and the *Ipswich Planning Scheme 2006*
  - applying new provisions affecting the operation of the planning schemes for the local government area that “either update or introduce a flood hazard overlay map and code where relevant”
- Gazettal of the notice that, on 25 October 2016, the Townsville City Council adopted “a major amendment” to SC6.10 (Parking rates) planning scheme policy of the planning scheme for the City of Townsville, the purpose and general effect of which is to amend the ‘car parking rate’ associated with a community care centre in that planning scheme policy.
- Gazettal of the notice that, on 27 September 2016, the Townsville City Council adopted “administrative and minor amendments” (Amendment Package 2016/01) to the planning scheme for the City of Townsville, the purpose and general effect of which amendments is “to correct formatting and presentation, spelling and grammatical and mapping errors”. (Comprehensive details about the amendments are included in the *Gazette* notice.)
- Gazettal of the notice that, on 25 October 2016, the Townsville City Council adopted “a major amendment” to SC6.4 (Development manual planning scheme policy) of the planning scheme for the City of Townsville (Townsville City Plan), the purpose and general effect of which amendment is to amend that planning scheme policy “to reflect modern standards and practices”. The key amendments include:
  - SC6.4.3.2 – Revised building over or adjacent to services provisions to ensure the continued efficient operation of council assets
  - SC6.4.3.3 – Revised footpath treatment policy, including improved alignment with the Townsville City Plan and refined construction standards
  - SC6.4.3.8 – Revised stormwater management plan provisions, to clearly separate conceptual site based management plans from site based management plans
  - SC6.4.3.14 – Revised traffic impact assessment guidelines, including when a traffic impact assessment may be required and the level of detail to be included
  - SC6.4.3.20 – Introduction of standards for the use of LED public street lights associated with new residential developments
  - SC6.4.3.21 – Revised water and sewer design standards to ensure that both sewer and water network provision continues to reflect high standards and best practice
  - SC6.4.4.2 – Revised pavement design standards to bring requirements in line with other widely-used standards (for example, Australian Standards)
  - SC6.4.4.4 – Revised stormwater drainage design standards to ensure that stormwater infrastructure remains cost effective and is able to effectively manage stormwater drainage
  - Various sub-sections of SC6.4 – Revised provisions in relation to rear lane, water and sewer specifications and acoustic treatment requirements, to better respond to small and narrow lot reconfigurations and infill development
  - Various sub-sections of SC6.4 – Amendments of a minor nature to provide further detail, such as amended engineering standards or where increased clarity on current practice or content is required
  - Various sub-sections of SC6.4 – Amendments of an administrative nature.

## 3. Workers’ Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003

Gazettal of the notice that his Excellency the Governor, acting by and with the advice of the Executive Council and pursuant to above Act, “has approved the appointment of Mr Bruce Watson as Chief Executive Officer of WorkCover Queensland and Executive Officer, WorkCover Employing Office from 1 January 2017 to and including 31 December 2019”.

#### 4. *Electoral Act 1992*

Notification, given pursuant to s63, of the following electoral enrolments and associated statistics as ascertained or determined by the Electoral Commissioner, as at 30 November 2016:

- the number of electors enrolled in each electoral district for the State of Queensland, the average district enrolment and the extent to which the number of electors in each electoral district differs from that average enrolment
- the adjusted enrolment for electoral districts of 100,000m<sup>2</sup> or more in area, that is, the sum of the number of enrolled electors and the additional large district number as specified in s45 and the extent to which those districts differ from the average district enrolment mentioned above.

#### 5. *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*

Gazettal of the notice that, pursuant to s94(c), the property of the former Dinmore Bush Rats Soccer and Sports Club Inc (IA00496), vested in the Public Trustee, be vested in the Ipswich Knights Soccer Club Inc (IA18836) for purposes of the furtherance of its objects.

#### 6. *Keno Act 1996*

Gazettal of the *Notification of Keno Amendment Rule (No.2) 2016*, pursuant to which, under s138(2), the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Training and Skills gave notice of amendments to the *Keno Rule 2010* "to permit the accrual and distribution of keno jackpot prizes as part of an interjurisdictional jackpot pooling arrangement".

#### 7. *Major Sports Facilities Act 2001*

Gazettal of the notification that his Excellency the Governor, acting by and with the advice of the Executive Council and in pursuance of the provisions of the above Act, has declared the major sports facility events outlined in Schedule 1 to the notice as 'declared events' for the stated periods:

- specified AFL matches at the Brisbane Cricket Ground from 1 April to 23 September 2017
- specified Super Rugby matches at Brisbane Stadium (Lang Park) from 24 February to 7 July 2017
- specified AFL matches at Carrara Stadium from 25 March to 23 September 2017
- Nitro Circus Live from 1pm to 11pm on 20 May 2017.

## Miscellaneous

### 1. *Parliamentary sitting dates*

As indicated on the parliamentary website, the Queensland Parliament is scheduled to commence sittings in 2017 from Tuesday 14 February to Thursday 16 February 2017. (The complete list of proposed sitting dates for 2017 is available on that site.)