

Annual report requirements for Queensland Government agencies for the 2020–21 reporting period

Section 13.3 Government bodies (statutory bodies and other entities)

Name of Government body Council of the Queensland Law Society Incorporated	
Act or instrument	Legal Profession Act 2007
Functions	The Council has the sole management of the Queensland Law Society Incorporated which is a representative, membership and regulatory body of Legal Practitioners (solicitors) in Queensland. The Society administers the Legal Practitioner's Fidelity Guarantee Fund and Law Claims Levy Fund, issues annual practising certificates and other consequential matters.
Achievements	<p>Issues for the Council during 2020-21 included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. leading the strategic direction of the Society by drafting and approving the Society's new four year Strategic Plan 2021-25; 2. approving the Society's operating plan 2021-22 at a glance and First Nations Plan 2021-22; 3. following final approval of the Attorney-General, implementing the Society's Code of Conduct as well as reviewing and approving amendments to the Council Travel Policy and other committee charters; 4. identifying and determining a position on issues of importance to members and the solicitors' branch of the Queensland legal profession; 5. making rules (subordinate legislation) on a range of matters including fixing fees, levies and subscriptions relating to membership of the Society and practising certificates; 6. monitoring the financial outcomes and the integrity of reporting, ensuring the preparation of accurate financial reports and statements and approving the annual budget; 7. ensuring the effective execution of the Society's regulatory role in relation to solicitors' practising certificates, trust accounts and other matters; 8. monitoring the performance of the Society's activities through reports on achievements against the Society's operating plans and annual budget; 9. ensuring the Society has good corporate governance structures in place and promoting a healthy and ethical corporate culture; and 10. oversight of its subsidiaries Lexon Insurance Pte Ltd and QLS Solicitor Support Pty Ltd.

Financial reporting	Annual financial statements, audited by the Auditor-General, are contained in the Annual Report				
Remuneration					
Position	Name	Meetings /sessions attendance	Approved annual, sessional or daily fee	Approved sub-committee fees if applicable	Actual fees received
President	Luke Murphy (1/7/20 – 31/12/20)	9/9	\$262,066 pa plus 9.5% superannuation (pro-rated)		\$131,033 plus superannuation
	Elizabeth Shearer (1/1/21 – 30/6/21)	9/9			\$131,033 plus superannuation
Deputy President	Elizabeth Shearer (1/7/20 – 31/12/20)	9/9	\$86,481 pa plus 9.5% superannuation (pro-rated)		\$43,241 plus superannuation
Vice President	Kara Thomson (1/07/20 – 30/06/21)	9/9	\$86,481 pa plus 9.5% superannuation (pro-rated)		\$43,241 plus superannuation
Immediate Past President	Bill Potts (1/7/20 – 31/12/20)	2/5			
	Luke Murphy (1/1/21 – 30/06/21)	9/9			
Councillor	Michael Brennan (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	7/9			
Councillor	Chloe Kopilovic (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	8/9			
Councillor	Kirsty Mackie (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	9/9			
Councillor	Allison Caputo (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	9/9			

Councillor	Justin McDonnell (27/08/20) /20 – 30/06/21)	8/9			
Councillor	William Munro (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	9/9			
Councillor	Rebecca Pezzutti (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	8/9			
Councillor	Phil Ware (1/7/20 – 30/06/21)	9/9			
Councillor (Attorney- General's nominee)	Peter Schmidt (30/09/20 – 09/10/20)	0/2			
Councillor (Attorney- General's nominee)	Rebecca Fogarty (20/04/21 – 30/06/21)	1/2			
No. scheduled meetings/session s	9 meetings				
Total out of pocket expenses	\$6,317.63				