1. In April 2016, the Commonwealth Government released the Smart Cities Plan which aims to implement City Deals for key cities across Australia.
2. During a visit to Townsville in July 2016, the Prime Minister and the Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation reconfirmed that the Commonwealth Government would enter into City Deals, with Townsville to be the first City Deal.
3. The Commonwealth Government prepared a Memorandum of Understanding to be executed by First Ministers (the Prime Minister and the Premier and Minister for the Arts) by the end of 2016.
4. The Memorandum of Understanding is a high-level commitment from both levels of government to develop and implement subsequent City Deals for Queensland key cities and regions. Local governments will be partners in subsequent City Deal agreements.
5. Cabinet endorsed the Premier and Minister for the Arts to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the Commonwealth Government to implement and establish City Deals for Queensland under the Smart Cities Plan.
6. Cabinet endorsed that the first Australian City Deal would be the Townsville City Deal.
7. *Attachments*
* [Memorandum of Understanding between the Commonwealth and the State of Queensland to establish and implement City Deals](Attachments/MoU.pdf)