1. The Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-border Collaboration 2016–19 (the Statement) strengthens existing partnerships and collaboration between state and local governments, communities, business and industry groups and regional organisations.
2. In the Statement, the Queensland and New South Wales Governments acknowledge the importance of working closely and collaboratively to improve service delivery, build local communities and further develop the region economically.
3. The four key focus areas for 2016–2019 are regional economic development; aligning services and sharing information; coordination of local transport services; and collaboration on issues of national significance.
4. The Statement requires an annual work list to be developed and reported on by the Queensland and New South Wales Premier’s departments each year.
5. Progress on actions included in the Annual Work List for 2016–17 indicates both Queensland and New South Wales agencies are committed to working collaboratively on cross-border issues affecting local communities. As most actions have a strategic, long-term focus, they are ongoing and will be included in the Annual Work List for 2017–18.
6. Cabinet noted the update on the Annual Work List for 2016–17.
7. *Attachments*
* [Queensland-New South Wales Statement of Principles for Cross-border Collaboration 2016-19](Attachments/Statement.pdf)