1. On 5 May 2007, the former Minister for Police and Corrective Services announced a review of the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* (the PPRA) and the initial Terms of Reference for the review. The review of the PPRA is being undertaken to ensure that policing powers are adequate and sufficient for both Queensland’s police officers and the community.
2. The Minister for Police, Corrective Services and Emergency Services has since established a PPRA Review Committee (the Review Committee) chaired by the Member for Ipswich, Mr Wayne Wendt MP, and supported by the Queensland Police Service.
3. The initial terms of reference for the review have been reviewed and aligned with s 5 of the PPRA to ensure that they remain current and provide sufficient guidance to the Review Committee in undertaking the review process. The current terms of reference, which remain consistent with those announced by the former Minister in 2007, will:

(a) assess the current safeguards that ensure fairness to, and protect the rights of, persons against whom police officers exercise powers under the PPRA;

(b) consolidate and rationalise provisions containing similar powers and responsibilities of police officers when investigating offences and enforcing the law;

(c) ensure the exercise of the powers and responsibilities of police officers is consistent and standardised;

(d) ensure police officers have all powers necessary for effective modern policing and law enforcement;

(e) ensure the community understands the nature and extent of the powers and responsibilities of police officers as provided by the PPRA.

1. Stakeholders were invited to make submissions during March – May 2010 on the issues raised in the public consultation paper. The submissions received will be analysed and will inform the review.
2. Cabinet approved the ‘Reviewing the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* - An invitation for your comment’ public consultation paper.
3. Cabinet approved the release of the public consultation paper for public distribution and consultation.
4. *Attachment*

[Public Consultation Paper: ‘Reviewing the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 2000* - An invitation for your comment’](Attachments/PPRA_Public_consult_paper.pdf)