1. The University of the Sunshine Coast Council (the Council) is the governing body of the University established by the *University of the Sunshine Coast Act 1998* (the Act)*.*
2. The functions of the Council as prescribed by section 5 of the Act include:

* to provide education at university standard;
* to provide facilities for, and encourage, study and research;
* to encourage the advancement and development of knowledge, and its application to government, industry, commerce and the community;
* to provide courses of study or instruction (at the levels of achievement the Council considers appropriate) to meet the needs of the community;
* to confer higher education awards;
* to disseminate knowledge and promote scholarship;
* to provide facilities and resources for the wellbeing of the University’s staff, students and other persons undertaking courses at the university; and
* to exploit commercially, for the University’s benefit, a facility or resource of the University, including, for example, study, research or knowledge, or the practical application of study, research or knowledge, belonging to the University, whether alone or with someone else.

1. Cabinet noted the intention of the Minister for Education, Training and Employment to recommend to the Governor in Council the appointment of Ms Debra Bennet to the University of the Sunshine Coast Council for a term from the date of Governor in Council approval up to and including 8 December 2013.
2. *Attachments*

* Nil.