1. On 2 December 2021, the Women’s Safety and Justice Taskforce released their report *Hear her voice report one – addressing coercive control and domestic and family violence in Queensland*.
2. Recommendation 2 of the Women’s Safety and Justice Taskforce report recommended the establishment of a Commission of Inquiry (COI) into cultural issues within the Queensland Police Service (QPS) as a result of issues raised throughout their consultation process.
3. The Terms of Reference task the COI to:
* examine whether there is, and if so, the extent of cultural issues within the QPS relating to the investigation of DFV identified in the Report
* examine how any cultural issues identified within the QPS relating to the investigation of domestic and family violence have contributed to the overrepresentation of First Nations people in the criminal justice system
* assess the capability, capacity and structure of the QPS to respond to domestic and family violence, having regard to previous initiatives undertaken by the QPS in responses to previous reports and events
* examine the adequacy of the current conduct and complaints handling processes against officers to ensure community confidence in the QPS and
* any other matter the Commission considers relevant for consideration to deliver its Report.
1. The Commissioner for the Inquiry will be determined between the Premier and the Attorney-General and be required to deliver a written report and recommendations.
2. Cabinet approved the establishment of a Commission of Inquiry into the Queensland Police Services responses to domestic and family violence in response to Recommendation 2 of the Women’s Safety and Justice Taskforce *Hear her voice report one – addressing coercive control and domestic and family*.
3. Cabinet approved the Commission of Inquiry Terms of Reference.
4. Cabinet noted that a suitable Commissioner for the Inquiry be agreed between the Premier and the Attorney-General and be required to deliver a written report and recommendations to the Premier and Minister for the Olympics, the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice, Minister for Women and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic and Family Violence, and the Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services.
5. *Attachments*
* [Order in Council - Terms of Reference](Attachments/ToR.PDF)