

Getting Queensland back on track Statement of objectives for the community

My team and I thank the people of Queensland for the trust that you have put in us. We have a lot to do, but we will not let you down. All members of my government will be working hard for Queensland - to grow a four pillar economy, lower the cost of living by cutting waste, revitalise front line services, deliver better infrastructure and planning and restore accountability to government. We also have a target to reduce unemployment in Queensland to four per cent over the next six years.

The new government has hit the ground running, undertaking a comprehensive 100 day plan to get Queensland back on track. We are passionate about our vision of unlocking the potential in Queensland, because we know it can be achieved.

We know, that together with Queenslanders, we can make this State shine and that we can put it on a path that will see it grow and prosper. Queensland is a state of opportunity – and its best days are still to come.

Campbell Newman MP
Premier of Queensland

Queensland's future

We will achieve Queensland's future prosperity through the delivery of five pledges.

1. We will grow a four pillar economy by:



- reducing Queensland's unemployment to four per cent within six years
- extending the payroll tax exemption from \$1 million to \$1.6 million over six years to help business create jobs
- delivering 10,000 more apprentices by investing in Queenslanders' skills and training
- cutting red tape and regulation by 20 per cent
- paying off Queensland's \$85 billion debt and investing the dividends of good economic management in better infrastructure and front line services
- establishing a commission of audit of Queensland's finances and charting the way back to the AAA credit rating
- doubling tourist expenditure in Queensland by 2020
- re-establishing a specialist agriculture agency and double Queensland's food production by 2040
- returning the budget to surplus by 2014-15.

2. We will lower the cost of living by:



- reintroducing the stamp duty concession for family homes
- freezing family car rego for our first term
- implementing our four point water plan
- reforming electricity tariffs to save money for families and ensuring the cost of the carbon tax and green energy schemes are listed on power bills
- cutting public transport fare increases by half in our first term
- rewarding regular commuters by reintroducing discounted weekly fares for go card users.

3. We will invest in better infrastructure and use better planning through:



- building infrastructure that makes a difference to both our economy and our lives.
- investing \$1 billion to fast-track the upgrade the Bruce Highway, depending on a funding commitment from the Federal Government.
- establishing Infrastructure Queensland and Queensland Projects and ensuring projects are built where they are needed, on time and within budget
- introducing a Royalties for the Regions program to better build better roads, social infrastructure, and deliver floodplain security to regional communities in resource areas
- planning and building better schools through the \$115 million Building Our Future Schools Fund and the Queensland Schools Plan Commission
- building better marine infrastructure for recreational fishers, boaters, and tourists as well as opening up access to Cairns' Trinity Inlet and the Gold Coast Broadwater
- improving management of our National Parks including controlling weeds and pests, and provide real protection for our dugongs, turtles, and koalas.

4. We will revitalise front-line services by:



- establishing a new maternal and child health service with free home visits to get mums and newborns off to the best possible start in life
- delivering better access to emergency and specialist health care for Queensland families
- boosting the patient travel subsidy scheme to make access to rural and regional health services more affordable
- making Queensland one of the leading states for student literacy and numeracy by 2020
- investing in early childhood education with 600 full time prep teacher aides
- delivering an extra 1300 front-line police as well as two new police helicopters
- revitalising community policing through Neighbourhood Watch and Crime Stoppers
- supporting a strong and independent public service
- supporting our community, sporting, volunteer, and local environment groups through targeted grants.

5. We will restore accountability in government through:



- giving people a real say on issues affecting their local community
- ensuring better value for taxpayers' money
- ensuring ministers are held accountable for their decisions
- overturning existing laws and make it once again illegal to lie in Parliament.

Reporting and accountability:

We will publicly report our progress toward achieving these objectives through our First 100 Day Action Plan achievement reports, and six monthly status reports on implementing our 2012 election commitments.

Ministers and their Chief Executive Officers will be responsible and accountable for achieving these objectives, and each department's annual report will record progress toward achieving these five objectives for the community.