

Strategic Plan and 2015-16 Business Plan



The Department of the Legislative Council

Our Mission: To pursue excellence in supporting the Legislative Council

Our Values

Independence

To provide services in an objective, diligent and impartial manner

Integrity

To be accountable and act in a professional, honest, ethical and equitable manner

Improvement

To improve the quality of services by exploring new ideas and opportunities

Respect

To promote a fair workplace that encourages contributions and values diversity

Co-operation

To co-operate with, support and assist colleagues

Functional Areas	EXECUTIVE SERVICES	PROCEDURAL SERVICES	COMMITTEE SERVICES	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
Strategic Plan				
Primary Goals	To provide high quality executive leadership and strategic management to the Department of the Legislative Council.	To deliver comprehensive, accurate and timely advice, training and support in relation to parliamentary procedure, practice and privilege to the Legislative Council, its Members and committees.	To provide high quality and pro- active advice, research, administrative and executive services to parliamentary committees which are served by the Department of the Legislative Council.	To provide efficient, structured and systematic administrative services to support the operations of the Department of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Council, its Members and committees.
Key Strategies	Strategically manage the operations of the Department in consultation with the President and Members of the Legislative Council, Departmental staff and other stakeholders. Recruit, develop and support staff to deliver professional services to the Legislative Council, its committees and	Maintain a high level of Departmental expertise in relation to parliamentary procedure, practice and privilege.	Maintain and provide a high level of research and analytical capacity to support committees.	Provide efficient and pro-active administrative support to the Legislative Council during sittings of the House.
		and an awareness of procedural developments in other jurisdictions, to ensure delivery of high quality support in relation to parliamentary procedure, practice and privilege. pport to the President Deliver and facilitate training to Members of the Legislative Council, of facilitate the ongoing se and its Mantial a high reversity in relation to committee inquiry procedures and investigative methodologies. Provide pro-active advice, including legal advice, to committees. Departmental expertise in relation to committee inquiry procedures and investigative methodologies. Provide pro-active advice, including legal advice, to committees. Departmental a high reversity in relation to committee inquiry procedures and investigative methodologies. Provide pro-active advice, including legal advice, to committees. Deliver and facilitate training Members of the Legislative Council on committee	Departmental expertise in relation to committee inquiry procedures and investigative	Ensure effective and professional publication of information by the Department.
				Maintain the records of the Department in accordance with statutory and Departmental requirements.
	Members. Provide executive support to the President			Manage the finances of the Department in
	and the Clerk.			accordance with statutory and Departmental requirements.
	Maintain risk management and business continuity planning to facilitate the ongoing operation of the House and its			Provide and maintain appropriate accommodation and facilities for the Legislative Council, its Members and committees.
	committees. Develop and implement strategies to	Facilitate the provision of feedback concerning Departmental service		Preserve the heritage and historical assets of the Legislative Council and its precincts.
	maximise public awareness of the activities of the Legislative Council and its	delivery and parliamentary training requirements from Members of the		Organise and conduct special events.

committees.	Legislative Council.	committees.	Provide a secure environment for the activities of the	
Foster and maintain good relationships with external bodies and stakeholders.	Facilitate the provision of legislative drafting services for Members and committees.		Legislative Council and its committees.	
Coordinate the updating/completion of operational manuals.	Ongoing professional development of Members through publication of regular	Update and consolidate the Committee Office Manual and	Review and update the Legislative Council Record Keeping Plan. Finalise risk management register.	
Recruit key personnel as a result of the	Procedural Notes.	procedures.		
loss of the Deputy Clerk and Usher of the Black Rod.	Increase public education/awareness of role of the Council through social media and education/displays.	Introduce facilities for in-house instantaneous electronic committee meetings/hearings.		
	Training of additional Table officers.	Introduce facilities for in-house live video streaming of committee meetings/hearings.		
		Increase training opportunities and professional/personal interaction between Committee staff and staff from other functional areas.		

2015-16 Business Plan Objectives