

# MEET THE **TEAM**

## FIRST CRISAFULLI CABINET



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# Hon David Crisafulli MP

Premier

Minister for Veterans

Member for Broadwater

David Crisafulli began his political career in 2004 as the youngest Councillor ever elected to the Townsville City Council. In 2008, after the Townsville and Thuringowa Councils merged, he became Deputy Mayor.

David was elected to the state seat of Mundingburra in 2012 and served as Minister for Local Government in the Newman Government. He lost the seat in 2015 but re-entered parliament two years later as the Member for Broadwater. David held shadow ministerial responsibilities, including for the environment and tourism, before becoming Opposition Leader in 2020.

## Before Politics

David was born in Ingham in North Queensland and grew up on his parents' sugarcane farm. Before his political career, he worked at a Townsville news station and as a media adviser for Senator Ian Macdonald. He holds a Bachelor of Journalism from James Cook University.

## Meet the Real David

- David is the first Queensland Premier of Italian heritage.
- He is extremely proud of his heritage and migrant story.
- He credits much of his work ethic and inspiration to his grandparents: the people who started his story in Australia.
- He hates pineapple on pizza.
- David is a passionate North Queensland.

- David's favourite sporting moment is the 2015 Grand Final. Go Cowboys!
- When asked what his favourite movie was, he said, "A recut of the 2015 Grand Final".
- David got his first job as a journalist at the old Herbert River Express building in Ingham. There, he said, he learnt the value of community.
- One of the reasons he joined Parliament was to strengthen local government, a level of government he feels has always been on the back foot.
- If you watched the campaign closely, you would have noticed that David took the time to put real people in front of his policies. He understood that the key to giving his policies meaning was to base them on the real-life stories of Queenslanders.
- His guiding principle: *Do as you would be done by.*





# Hon Jarrod Bleijie MP

Deputy Premier

Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning

Minister for Industrial Relations

Member for Kawana

Jarrold Bleijie won the seat of Kawana at the 2009 Queensland state election. He became Shadow Attorney-General in 2010, and held that role until the LNP's victory in 2012. Jarrold served as Attorney-General in the Newman Government, and has since held a variety of front bench roles in opposition. He was elected Deputy Leader of the LNP in March 2022.

## Before Politics

Jarrold Bleijie was born in Griffith, NSW, and moved to Queensland during primary school. He was school captain of Caloundra State High School and studied politics at the University of the Sunshine Coast before transferring to Brisbane to complete a Bachelor of Laws at the Queensland University of Technology. He graduated in 2005.

Prior to his parliamentary career, Jarrold worked as a solicitor at Sajen Legal, specialising in commercial law and management rights. During high school, he supported himself with jobs at both the camping store his parents owned and the local KFC outlet.

## Meet the Real Jarrold

- Jarrold is married with three children.
- He is a big fan of Elvis Presley and previously dressed up as Elvis in his high school's 1996 talent quest. His favourite song is 'Blue Suede Shoes' and he has been known to perform Elvis songs at LNP events.

- Jarrold was a fan of the character Dame Edna ("hello possums!"), created and played by the late Barry Humphries.
- He and his wife had the opportunity to meet Dame Edna when she was still alive.
- Jarrold is a monarchist and greatly admires the royal family.
- He disagrees with the Premier on pizza toppings and controversially believes pineapple should be included in the mix..
- Jarrold believes that MPs, regardless of their political party or the office they hold, are representatives of their constituents first.
- He credits his wife, Sally, for the support and guidance she provided as he navigated entering the political world.
- Outside of his professional life, Jarrold was a Rotarian.
- He used to be a board member of Mercy Ships Australia.
- Jarrold is an elder of the Kawana Waters Uniting Church.
- His guiding principle: *Service above self.*





# Hon David Janetzki MP

Treasurer

Minister for Energy

Minister for Home Ownership

Member for Toowoomba South

David won the seat of Toowoomba South in a 2016 by-election. He was quickly promoted to the shadow ministry after the 2017 election and has held various shadow ministerial roles, including Treasury, Investment and Trade, Attorney-General, and Justice. From 2020 to 2022, he was the Deputy Leader of the LNP.

## Before Politics

David was born in Toowoomba and raised on a dairy farm. He holds degrees in Economics and Law from the University of Queensland. Before entering parliament, David practised law and worked in banking and higher education. He also held various directorships.



## Meet the Real David

- David is a trained pianist and has served as a director of Opera Queensland. His wife is also a trained opera singer.
- He and his wife have three children.
- David loves the performing arts, but he also enjoys a good rugby league game.
- He is a Dolphins supporter, a fan of cricket, and likes to play tennis.
- David is of Prussian heritage (Northern Germany). His ancestors were farmers who came to Australia with their craftsmanship and cuisine—cured meats, salted potatoes prepared in a thousand different ways, and baked goods.
- His family has worked the land and devoted themselves to public service: the church, the CWA, the local shire council, and the agricultural show movement.
- David's earliest political memory, at the age of 8, was a fire-and-brimstone speech from Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen at Maclagan Hall, at the foot of the Bunya Mountains.
- He believes economics shapes politics, society, and ultimately history. Adam Smith and John Stuart Mill resonated more deeply than Marx and Keynes, and accordingly sharpened his political worldview.
- He believes the function of government is to stand guard and address market distortions or deficiencies while also encouraging enterprise to create jobs, drive entrepreneurship, and deliver prosperity to hardworking people everywhere.
- His guiding principle: *Let life be your teacher.*

# Hon Ros Bates MP

Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training  
Member for Mudgeeraba

Ros was elected to the seat of Mudgeeraba at the 2009 state election. She was promoted to the shadow ministry before the Newman Government took office in 2012. In government, she served as the Minister for Science, Information Technology, Innovation and the Arts.

In 2016, Ros was appointed Shadow Minister for Communities, Child Safety, Domestic Violence, and Disability Services. Later, Women and Youth Seniors were added to her responsibilities. In 2017, she became Shadow Minister for Women and Shadow Minister for Health and Ambulance Services. Following the 2020 state elections, she was also appointed Shadow Minister for Medical Research, in addition to her previous roles.

## Before Politics

Ros was born and raised in regional Victoria and gained her nursing qualifications in Melbourne. She moved to Queensland in 1998 to become General Manager of Wesley Gold Coast Hospital. Before entering parliament, she worked for biotechnology company Genzyme and as a lobbyist.

## Meet the Real Ros

- As a youngster, you would have found Ros spending time on the farm with her cousins, riding horses with her sisters, and learning to drive both a car and a motorbike in the paddocks.
  - Her father worked for the Forest Commission and was a Country Fire Authority volunteer, while her mother was a proud second-generation schoolteacher.
  - AFL footy was a big part of her life growing up.
  - She was a trainer for the Healesville Football Club.
  - Ros was a registered nurse for more than 25 years.
  - She was also the winner of the Telstra Queensland Businesswoman of the Year in the AusIndustry category in 2000.
  - That same year, she joined the Liberal Party.
  - Her guiding principle: *If you tell me I can't, I will show you I can.*
- Ros is married with two children.
  - Both Ros's mother and sister are breast cancer survivors, which makes breast cancer awareness particularly important to her and her family.
  - She comes from a family of dairy farmers.



# Hon Dale Last MP

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Minister for Manufacturing and Minister for Regional and Rural Development

Member for Burdekin

Dale was elected to the state seat of Burdekin at the 2015 state election. Prior to his current portfolio responsibilities, he served as shadow minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, for Northern Queensland, and for Police. Like the Premier, Dale was a Councillor and Deputy Mayor of the City of Townsville.

## Before Politics

Dale was born and raised in Bundaberg. He holds an arts degree from Central Queensland University. He served as a police officer for 25 years, including as Area Director of Emergency Management Queensland and for over seven years as Officer in Charge of Townsville Police Station. Before entering politics, he was a small business owner, lucerne farmer, grazier, yard builder, and contract musterer.

## Meet the Real Dale

- Dale is married and has four children.
- In 1998, he was awarded the National Police Medal.
- It was during his time in the Queensland Police Service that he realised he wanted a role that would allow him to shape the future.
- Dale has specialised in disaster management.
- He says his character was shaped by working and living in a rural environment, where the ability to work hard all day without complaint was the yardstick by which you were measured.
- Key words he would use to describe being Australian: hard work, equality, and mateship.
- His guiding principle: *I am not about handouts; I am about giving people a hand up.*





# Hon Tim Nicholls MP

Minister for Health and Ambulance Services  
Member for Clayfield

Tim began his political career as a Brisbane City Councillor for the Hamilton Ward. He transitioned to state politics in 2006, winning the Clayfield seat from the incumbent with a notable swing. He became a prominent figure in Queensland's Liberal National Party (LNP) after the Liberal and National parties merged in 2008. He held significant leadership roles, including Deputy Leader of the Liberal Party and, later, Leader of the LNP. From 2012 to 2015, he served as Treasurer and Minister for Trade under the Newman Government, overseeing key economic reforms.

## Before Politics

Tim was educated at Trinity Grammar School in Melbourne and Anglican Church Grammar School in Brisbane, before studying law at the Queensland University of Technology and practising for several years.

## Meet the Real Tim

- Tim lives in Clayfield with his wife and three children.
- He loves spending time with his children and often coaches them in sports.
- His family's journey in Australia began when one of his grandfathers fled Bulgaria during World War I and arrived in Australia as a refugee.
- Tim is of the Anglican faith and often says that he often looks to it for guidance.
- As a young man, he was passionate about cars and even dreamed of becoming a racing car driver.
- Every October the family would eagerly watch the V8s scream around Mt Panorama.
- Tim used to row and play rugby when he was at school.
- He enjoys reading, loves fishing in the family's 14 foot tinnie, and listening to Jimmy Buffett.
- Tim also loves country music and enjoys a rum and coke to wind down at the end of the day.
- Tim was a Navy cadet before he pursued law.
- His political journey began when a friend invited him to a Young Libs meeting at 18.
- As a Councillor, he was the Lord Mayor's Finance Spokesman and a member of the Expenditure Review Committee.
- His guiding principle: *resilience and perseverance*.



# Hon Deb Frecklington MP

Attorney-General  
Minister for Justice  
Minister for Integrity  
Member for Nanango

Deb served in various assistant ministerial roles in the Newman Government and was appointed Shadow Minister for Agriculture when Labor regained office in 2015. She became Opposition Leader following Labor's re-election in 2017.

## Before Politics

Deb was raised on a beef cattle property in south-west Queensland. She holds business and law degrees and practised as a lawyer, specialising in family and property law, before being elected to Parliament in 2012.



## Meet the Real Deb

- Deb lives in the electorate on a cattle farm with her husband and their three children.
- She attended Guluguba State School, a small one-teacher school.
- For her secondary schooling, she was a boarder at Ipswich Girls' Grammar School.
- She has worked in the clothing, motor vehicle, and newspaper industries.
- As a lawyer, she specialised in family and property law and was made a named partner at *Kelly & Frecklington Solicitors*, in Kingaroy.
- Deb is a fan of rugby league.
- She is passionate about horse riding and often participates in equestrian activities.
- She loves visiting local markets.
- Deb is one of the few state politicians in Australia to never have spent a day on the backbench, having spent her entire career as a junior minister (2012-2015), shadow minister (2015-2016, 2020-present), Deputy Opposition Leader (2016-2017) and Opposition Leader (2017-2020).
- She has spoken about the importance of addressing issues like domestic violence and suicide.
- Her guiding principle: *Community is at the heart of everything we do.*

# Hon John-Paul Langbroek MP

Minister for Education and the Arts

Member for Surfers Paradise

John-Paul first contested the Surfers Paradise seat in a 2001 by-election, ultimately winning it in 2004 as a Liberal candidate. In 2009, he became Leader of the Opposition and the first leader of the Liberal National Party (LNP) from the Liberal side of the merged party. He later served as a minister in the Newman Government before its 2015 election defeat. Since then, John-Paul has retained the seat comfortably, making Surfers Paradise one of the safest LNP seats in Queensland.

## Before Politics

Born in Assen, Netherlands, John-Paul moved to Australia with his family as an infant and grew up in rural Queensland. A graduate of Sunnybank State High School, he later earned an honours degree in dental science from the University of Queensland.

## Meet the Real JP

- John-Paul, known universally in Queensland politics as JP, is married and has three children.
- His sister, Kate Langbroek, is a popular Australian comedian, radio and TV presenter.
- JP's parents were migrants, which gave him an appreciation for the freedom that comes with living in a country like Australia.
- When he was much younger, like many Australians at the time, he travelled to the UK to live and work in London.
- Earlier this year, JP threw the ceremonial first pitch, with China Airlines Brisbane Branch General Manager Jeff Tsai stepping up as the ceremonial batter.

This Queensland U18 Team Hosted Taiwan Delegation for the Ceremonial First Pitch.

- JP was a dental surgeon before he was elected to Parliament.
- He is a strong advocate for increased funding for health-care services.
- His time with the Surfers Paradise Chamber of Commerce led him to politics.
- As a backbencher, JP was instrumental in advocating for laws that cracked down on underage binge drinking and banned dangerous drug implements, such as 'ice' pipes.





# Hon Dan Purdie MP

Minister for Police and Emergency Services

Member for Ninderry

Dan was first elected in the 2017 state election as the inaugural member for the new electorate of Ninderry. He has held shadow ministerial responsibilities for police, counter-terrorism, and corrective services.

## Before Politics

Dan was born in Townsville and raised in Brisbane. Before entering parliament, he worked as a police officer for more than two decades, handling cases including child protection, homicide, and emergency response. He holds several qualifications in policing studies from the Queensland University of Technology (QUT).

## Meet the Real Dan

- Dan is a keen surfer and a member of the Coolum Surf Club.
- He is married and has two children.
- He is heavily influenced by his policing background and advocates for strengthening criminal penalties and increasing resources for police.
- Dan is a supporter of small business and reducing red tape.
- Dan grew up in Zillmere on Brisbane's northside.
- His dad, Rick, was a cabinetmaker but walked away from his career to follow his passion for music.
- He describes his childhood as being surrounded by love, loyalty, and strong family values. He says one of his greatest blessings is having loving, selfless parents committed to providing their children with the opportunity to have a better life than they had for themselves.
- His brother, David, was the dux of their school and later became an associate professor of epidemiology.
- Dan always wanted to be a policeman.
- His guiding principle is making the Queensland Police Service a world-class organisation that people want to join and remain in, while ensuring police have the resources, laws, and support they need to keep Queenslanders safe.



# Hon Laura Gerber MP

Minister for Youth Justice and Victim Support

Minister for Corrective Services

Member for Currumbin

Laura was born and raised on the Gold Coast. She began her law career at a local law firm in Coolangatta. Before her election at the Currumbin by-election in March 2020, Laura was actively involved in her local community, volunteering as a lifesaver at the Currumbin Beach Vikings Surf Life Saving Club.

She is passionate about protecting Currumbin's lifestyle and environment.

## Before Politics

Laura worked as a solicitor and Commonwealth Prosecutor, handling cases related to child exploitation and people smuggling. She later served as a Disciplinary Prosecutor in the Office of the Health Ombudsman, where she protected public health and safety by taking disciplinary action against health practitioners and service providers.

## Meet the Real Laura

- Laura is a tenacious campaigner, having won a tough by-election in 2020 and an equally challenging election only months later.
- She is married and has two children.
- Family is very important to Laura. She met Dan in Coolangatta, and they were married five years later on Currumbin Beach.
- She was born at Allamanda Hospital in Southport and is the eldest of four children.
- Her dad worked seven days a week as a mechanic to provide for his family and ensure all four of his children received a Christian education.
- Her upbringing instilled in her the values of hard work, sacrifice, family, and determination.
- Laura learned to surf at Rainbow Bay Beach.
- She joined the LNP because it upholds the political traditions of liberalism and conservatism, prioritising the security and prosperity of society.



# Hon Brent Mickelberg MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads  
Member for Buderim

Brent was first elected at the 2017 election, winning the seat from LNP defector Steve Dickson. Re-elected in 2020, Brent was appointed Shadow Minister for Employment and Training, Shadow Minister for Small and Family Business, and Shadow Minister for Open Data.

## Before Politics

Before entering Parliament, Brent began his working life as a jackaroo on cattle stations in western Queensland. He later joined the military, serving in Afghanistan and East Timor, and led soldiers during the search-and-rescue operation after the 2011 Grantham floods.

Brent also worked as a financial planning consultant in Maroochydore and has lived locally with his young family for over a decade. He is a passionate advocate for veterans' mental health.

- From his mother, whose family were graziers and drovers, he learned resilience, determination, and humility.
- The book 'The Cattle King', which chronicles the life of Sir Sidney Kidman, played a significant role in shaping Brent's aspirations as a young man.

## Meet the Real Brent

- Brent is married with two children.
- He has served as part of a NATO Special Operations element and worked closely with the US Special Operations Command Headquarters in Afghanistan.
- He believes the culture of service and sacrifice embodied by service men and women should be the same standard demanded of elected representatives.
- Brent is a fan of both rugby league and rugby union.
- His values of service, loyalty, and commitment were shaped by his father, Graeme, an officer in the Australian Army.





# Hon Ann Leahy MP

Minister for Local Government and Water

Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers

Member for Warrego

Ann was born in Stanthorpe, raised on the family farm, educated through distance education and boarding school, and holds a Bachelor's degree in Science. She has a keen interest in aviation and spends her spare time competing in sheepdog trials with her two beloved border collies, Molly and Jess.

Ann has worked in the political sector for over 30 years and is a passionate voice for the south-west, advocating for better healthcare facilities and more doctors in local communities.

## Before Politics

Before entering Parliament, Ann worked as a TAFE teacher, a community services worker, a stationhand, and an electorate officer.

She was elected to represent Warrego at the 2015 state election and was appointed to shadow ministries following the LNP's losses in the 2017 and 2020 state elections.

## Meet the Real Ann

- Ann is the first university-educated farmer's daughter to represent the seat of Warrego since Federation and is the granddaughter of John Leahy, the first Country Party president in Queensland.
- She has a strong connection to the land and primary producers through her family heritage.
- Ann is also a licensed pilot and flies light aircraft, including to sitting weeks, where she parks at Archerfield.
- She is a strong advocate for the agricultural, manufacturing, resources, and tourism sectors across South West Queensland. Ann is committed to ensuring the government prioritises plans to grow these industries while keeping communities safe and creating more housing opportunities to support regional growth.



# Hon Sam O'Connor MP

Minister for Housing and Public Works

Minister for Youth

Member for Bonney

Sam was elected to the Queensland Parliament in 2017 as the first Member for the newly created seat of Bonney. In opposition, he was the Shadow Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, the Shadow Minister for Science and Innovation, and the Shadow Minister for Youth. Prior to this he was the Shadow Assistant Minister to the Opposition Leader and Shadow Assistant Minister for Youth (2017 to 2020).

## Before Politics

Originally from Ipswich, Sam was raised around his family's iconic business, RT Edwards & Sons. His grandfather's determination in growing the business influenced his commitment to service and community. Sam pursued his tertiary education at the University of Queensland, studying biomedical and political science. After working as a bartender and courtesy bus driver at the Labrador AFL Sports Club, Sam found his way into politics, working as a media advisor to the Hon Stuart Robert MP.

## Meet the Real Sam

- Sam's great uncle is former Queensland Liberal Leader and Deputy Premier Sir Llew Edwards.
- He shares the values of his great uncle in that the government must protect the importance of the individual and 'legislate to provide an equal opportunity for all' to

- 'acquire the knowledge to enable him or her to improve his or her station in life and as a result benefit the community in general'.
- Sam is a supporter of the Gold Coast Suns.
- Sam is an animal lover and big dog-person.
- He wants to use his time in parliament to advocate for 'hospo' workers.
- Sam has served in many voluntary roles on the committees of local community organisations like the Labrador Community Garden and at Paradise Point Meals on Wheels.



# Hon Tony Perrett MP

Minister for Primary Industries

Member for Gympie

Tony is a father, former Councillor and Deputy Mayor, grazier, and is an active community member with a strong connection to the Gympie Region. He was elected to the Queensland Parliament as the Member for Gympie in January 2015, then 2017, 2020 and in 2024.

## Before Politics

For much of his life Tony has always been actively involved in the community and is dedicated to community service joining local organisations at the age of 19.

Tony values the importance of the Gympie region's large local volunteer base as part of the strong fabric and backbone of the community. He is a strong supporter of local service groups, events, festivals, and not-for-profit organisations, and has often been the MC at major fundraising events.

## Meet the Real Tony

- His father, Trevor Perrett, was the Minister for Primary Industries in the Borbidge Government.
- A great mentor of Tony's was the late Ron Dyne, former mayor of the Kilkivan Shire Council and the Gympie Regional Council.
- Tony is married and has two daughters.
- He grew up in the Kingaroy area and moved to the Gympie Region in 1997 when he and his family purchased the property 'Tye,' at the headwaters of Boonara Creek.

- His beliefs have been developed around Christian and robust family values.
- Tony's interests include cricket, rugby league, shooting, snow skiing, bush walking and camping.
- He has been an active supporter and volunteer since May 1998 of the Kilkivan Show and Camp Draft Association.
- Tony was a member of the Board of St Patrick's School for six years. He is patron of numerous community organisations.
- Tony's guiding principle: *simple plain talking, rolling up your sleeves and getting the job done.*





# Hon Fiona Simpson MP

Minister for Women and Women's Economic Security

Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Minister for Multiculturalism

Member for Maroochydore

Fiona was first elected in 1992 and since then has become a prominent figure in Queensland politics. She is known for her advocacy on regional development, infrastructure, and health services. Throughout her career, Fiona has held various key roles, including being Queensland's first female Speaker of the Legislative Assembly from 2012 to 2015.

Fiona holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Japanese, Journalism and Government and a Masters of Organisational Leadership. She also completed the Australian Institute of Company Directors' Diploma and an executive leadership course at John F Kennedy School of Government, Harvard. She was a Rotary Exchange Student to Japan, and prior to that attended Nambour State High School.



## Before Politics

Prior to entering parliament she was an accomplished journalist, winning the prestigious Dalgety Excellence in Rural Journalism Award in 1989.

## Meet the Real Fiona

- While Deputy Leader, Fiona was a key player in the merger which created the Liberal National Party of Queensland.
- She was born in the Mallee region (Victoria) but considers herself a proud Queenslanders.
- She advocates for safety, employment, and respect for senior citizens and believes that everyone should feel safe in their communities.
- In 2013 she was included in the Queensland Young Women's Christian Association's list of 125 Leading Women.
- She is patron of about 20 organisations.
- Fiona has a reputation for hard work and diligence.
- Her father, Gordon Simpson, was the National Party member for Coorooora in the Queensland Parliament from 1974 to 1989. He served as Minister for Mines and Energy and Minister for the Arts.
- Her guiding principle: *Service above self.*

# Hon Andrew Powell MP

Minister for the Environment and Tourism

Minister for Science and Innovation

Member for Glass House

Andrew moved between Queensland, New South Wales and Victoria in his early childhood years before his family settled in Burpengary. He completed his schooling in Redcliffe and studied a Bachelor of Science and Arts at the University of Queensland. First elected in 2009, Andrew served as Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection in the Newman government 2012-15. He has previously served on the opposition frontbench as Manager of Opposition Business.

## Before Politics

He worked with the Department of Defence in Canberra before returning to Queensland where he worked for the Queensland Department of Premier and Cabinet and the Department of Child Safety.

## Meet the Real Andrew (Powelly)

- Powelly was the Minister for the Environment and Heritage Protection in the Newman Government, and is one of two Ministers to return to their previous portfolios.
- He is married and has five children.
- Powelly is a huge family man.
- He loves sport and a good game of Golf and also previously coached his son's soccer team.
- He is as a student of geography, history and politics.
- He is a Christian and his guiding principle is *"Whoever wants to be great must become a servant."*



# Hon Amanda Camm MP

Minister for Families, Seniors and Disability Services and  
Minister for Child Safety and the Prevention of Domestic  
and Family Violence

Member for Whitsunday

Amanda first stood for the seat of Whitsunday in the 2012 Queensland election. She was eventually elected in the 2020 election, defeating independent MP Jason Costigan, and is currently serving her second term in the Queensland Parliament. As a former executive, primary producer and working mum of three children, Amanda understands the everyday pressures facing local families and small businesses.

## Before Politics

Prior to entering Parliament, Amanda served as a Councillor and Deputy Mayor of the Mackay region. She is a long-time local with a passion for positive impact, improving the region's economy and connecting community.

She grew up in Proserpine and has worked in a variety of local industries across government and economic development, tourism and travel, mining services and primary production.

## Meet the Real Amanda

- Amanda grew up on cane farms and cattle properties and has strong ties to the sugar and beef industries.
- Amanda has three children.
- Amanda is the great niece of Ronald Ernst Camm, the longest serving member for the seat of Whitsunday and former Queensland Minister who was a strong advocate for mining and regional development
- Amanda helped establish a domestic violence task force in Mackay.
- Amanda believes in a smaller, consultative government that facilitates economic and social prosperity through careful strategic policy and decision-making.





# Hon Tim Mander MP

Minister for Sport and Racing

Minister for the Olympic and Paralympic Games

Member for Everton

Tim was elected to the Queensland Parliament in 2012. He served as Assistant Minister for Sport and Racing, then as Minister for Housing and Public Works. After challenging for LNP leadership in 2016, Tim became Deputy Leader of the LNP under Deb Frecklington following the 2017 election, reinforcing his leadership role within the party.

## Before Politics

Tim's pre-political career includes his role as CEO of Scripture Union Queensland, and a distinguished refereeing career in the National Rugby League (NRL). He officiated 291 first-grade games from 1992 to 2005, including the 2004 and 2005 grand finals, and was named the 2005 International Referee of the Year.

## Meet the Real Tim

- Tim is a former NRL Referee.
- He is only the second conservative member for Everton in its 50-year history.
- Tim is a Christian and bible college graduate.
- Tim won the QLD 2005 Father of the Year Award.
- Tim is a proud state-school boy and went to Grovely Primary School and Mitchelton State High School.
- Tim played junior rugby league at West Arana Hills football club, pumped petrol at the 'Mitchie' service station and served as a part time groundsman at the Brook Hotel during his final year of school.
- Tim's core political values include: Individuals must take responsibility for themselves, entrepreneurial spirit should be encouraged, hard work and initiative should be rewarded, and that healthy, strong families are the cornerstone of successful societies.



# Hon Steve Minnikin MP

Minister for Customer Service and Open Data

Minister for Small and Family Business

Member for Chatsworth

Steve has held the seat of Chatsworth since 2012. From 2012 to 2015, he held the role of Assistant Minister for Public Transport and has also served as Deputy Opposition Whip, Shadow Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships and Multicultural Affairs.

## Before Politics

Prior to his election, Steve worked in local government as an executive officer and as a customer services manager for the Redland Shire Council.

Steve was born in Brisbane and grew up in Carina. He attended Carina State School and completed his secondary education at Coorparoo Secondary College. Steve holds a Bachelor of Business from the University of Queensland and a Master of Property Economics from the Queensland University of Technology.

## Meet the Real Steve

- Steve is married and has two boys.
- Steve was the President of the Queensland Young Liberals from 1992 to 1993, and the Treasurer of the Federal Young Liberals.
- Steve is a Patron of the Mt Petrie Bowmen Archery Club.
- Steve's idol is Sir Winston Churchill and his 'rock of Gibraltar' is his wife.

- Steve comes from a strong Labor family but was drawn to the Liberal Party while studying the liberalism espoused by John Stuart Mill, Thomas Paine, John Locke and Jeremy Bentham at university.
- He has lived in the Chatsworth electorate for the majority of his life and attended Carina State School.
- In year 7, he was the school dux, collecting the David Byrne medal of merit.
- Steve's core beliefs include freedom of association, reward for effort, equal justice under law, minimalist government intervention, free markets, and the proposition that governments are not the masters of the people but are their servants.
- He wishes to be judged not by his political longevity but rather by the demonstrable contribution he makes through good public policy.
- His former roles as a shopping centre developer and manager have given him an appreciation for the virtues of thrift, hard work and risk taking, and he is an unashamed champion of small business.
- His guiding principle: *The price of greatness is responsibility.*



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