

## **Barton Deakin Brief: New South Wales Cabinet Reshuffle**

**29 January 2017**

Today the New South Wales Premier, the Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP, announced changes to the Cabinet following the resignation of the former Premier of New South Wales, the Hon. Mike Baird MP.

### **Resignation of the Hon. Mike Baird MP**

Mr Baird resigned as Premier, Minister for Western Sydney and Member for Manly on 23 January 2017. The Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP was sworn in as Premier of New South Wales on Tuesday 24 January 2017.

### **Reshuffle Details**

- The Hon. John Barilaro, Deputy Premier and Leader of the Nationals, has added Minister for Regional New South Wales to his responsibilities as Minister for Skills and Minister for Small Business
- The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP has been promoted to Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations
- The Hon. Niall Blair MLC will be Minister for Primary Industry, Minister for Regional Water and Minister for Trade and Industry
- The Hon. Don Harwin MLC has been promoted to Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities and Minister for the Arts and is Vice President of the Executive Council
- The Hon. Rob Stokes MP has been promoted to Minister for Education
- The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP has been appointed as Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing and Special Minister of State
- The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP will take over as Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research following the resignation of the Hon. Jillian Skinner MP on 27 January 2017 as the former Minister and Member for North Shore
- The Hon. Victor Dominello has been promoted to Minister for Finance, Services and Property
- The Hon. Matt Kean MP has entered Cabinet as Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation
- The Hon. Stuart Ayres MP has been promoted to Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex and Minister for Sport
- The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP has been promoted to Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight
- The Hon. Pru Goward MP will return as Minister for Family and Community Services, with responsibilities as Minister for Social Housing and continuing as Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- The Hon. Mark Speakman MP has been appointed Attorney General
- The Hon. Paul Toole MP takes the roles of Minister for Lands and Forestry and Minister for Racing



- The Hon. David Elliott MP has retained the Corrections and Veteran Affairs portfolios and has also taken on the new role of Minister for Counter Terrorism
- The Hon. Ray Williams MP has been appointed Minister for Multiculturalism and Minister for Disability Services
- The Hon. Adam Marshall MP enters Cabinet as Minister for Tourism and Major Events and Assistant Minister for Skills
- The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP takes on the roles of Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government and Minister for Heritage
- The Hon. Tanya Davies MP enters Cabinet having been appointed Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women and Minister for Ageing
- The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MP has been appointed as the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education

## **Biographies**

### *Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations – The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP*

The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP has been appointed as the Treasurer and Minister for Industrial Relations. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Castle Hill in 2011, Mr. Perrottet entered Cabinet in 2014 as the Minister for Finance, Services and Property. In addition to this, upon the resignation of The Hon. Mike Baird, he was elected Deputy Leader of the NSW Liberal Party.

### *Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water and Minister for Trade and Industry - The Hon. Niall Blair MLC*

The Hon. Niall Blair MLC has been appointed as the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Regional Water and Minister for Trade and Industry. First elected to the NSW Legislative Council in 2011, he previously served as Minister for Primary Industries and Minister for Lands and Water in the Baird Government. In addition, in 2016 he was elected Deputy Leader of the NSW Nationals.

### *Minister for Resources, Minister for Energy and Utilities, Minister for the Arts and Vice President of the Executive Council - The Hon. Don Harwin MLC*

The Hon. Don Harwin MLC has been appointed as the Minister for Resources, Arts, Energy and Utilities, and Vice President of the Executive Council. First Elected to the Legislative Council in 1999, Harwin has most recently served as President of the NSW Legislative Council.

### *Minister for Planning – The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP*

The Hon. Anthony Roberts MP has been appointed as the Minister for Planning. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Lane Cove in 2003, Roberts has most recently served as Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy in the Baird Government. Before this, he served as Minister for Fair Trading in the O'Farrell Government.

### *Minister for Health and Minister for Medical Research – The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP*

The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP has been appointed as the Minister for Health and Medical Research. First Elected to the NSW Parliament as the Member for Wakehurst in 1991, Mr. Hazzard has most recently served as Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing. Prior to this, he served as Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, Attorney General and Minister for Justice in the Baird and O'Farrell Governments.



*Minister for Education – The Hon. Rob Stokes*

The Hon. Rob Stokes has been appointed as the Minister for Education. First elected to the NSW Parliament as the Member for Pittwater in 2007, Stokes has most recently served as Minister for Planning. Prior to this, he served as Minister for Heritage and Minister for the Environment in the Baird and O’Farrell Governments.

*Attorney General – The Hon. Mark Speakman SC MP*

The Hon. Mark Speakman SC MP has been appointed Attorney General. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Cronulla in 2011, he previously served as Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage and Assistant Minister for Planning in the Baird and O’Farrell Governments.

*Minister for Finance, Services and Property – The Hon. Victor Dominello MP*

The Hon. Victor Dominello MP has been appointed as the Minister for Finance, Services and Property. First elected to the NSW Parliament as the Member for Ryde in 2008, he previously served as Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Citizenship and Communities in the Baird and O’Farrell Governments.

*Minister for Family and Community Services, Social Housing, and the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault – The Hon. Pru Goward MP*

The Hon. Pru Goward MP has been appointed as the Minister for Family and Community Services, Minister for Social Housing, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Goulburn in 2007, Ms. Goward has most recently served as Minister for Mental Health, Medical Research and the Prevention of Domestic Violence in the Baird Government. Before this, she served as Minister for Family and Community Services and Minister for Planning.

*Minister for Lands and Forestry and the Minister for Racing – The Hon. Paul Toole MP*

The Hon. Paul Toole has been appointed as the Minister for Lands and Forestry and the Minister for Racing. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Bathurst in 2011, Toole previously served as the Minister for Local Government in the Baird Government.

*Minister for Corrections, Minister for Veteran Affairs and Minister for Counter Terrorism - The Hon. David Elliott MP*

The Hon. David Elliott MP has retained Corrections and Veteran Affairs and has taken on the role of Minister for Counter Terrorism. In 1995, Elliott joined the Australian Army and commenced his officer training at Royal Military College, Duntroon, attaining the rank of Captain in April 1997. First elected to Parliament in 2011 to the seat of Baulkham Hills. Following the 2015 State Election, the Hon. David Elliott MP was sworn in as Minister for Emergency Service, the Minister for Corrections and the Minister for Veteran Affairs in the second Baird Government.

*Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government and Minister for Heritage – The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP*

The Hon. Gabrielle Upton MP has been appointed Minister for the Environment, Minister for Local Government and Minister for Heritage. First elected to the NSW Parliament as the Member for Vaucluse in 2011, Upton has previously served as Attorney General, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister for Family and Community Services in the Baird and O’Farrell Governments.



*Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for WestConnex and Minister for Sport – The Hon. Stuart Ayres MP*

The Hon. Stuart Ayres MP has been appointed as the Minister for Sport, Western Sydney and WestConnex. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Penrith in 2010, Minister Ayres previously served as Minister for Sport, Trade, Tourism and Major Events, Fair Trading, and Minister for Police in the Baird and O’Farrell Governments.

*Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight – The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP*

The Hon. Melinda Pavey MP has been appointed as the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight. First elected to NSW Parliament as an MLC in 2002 then served as Shadow Minister for Emergency Services from 2008 to 2011. In 2015, the Hon. Melinda Pavey MP was elected as Member for Oxley.

*Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation – The Hon. Matt Kean MP*

The Hon. Matt Kean MP has been appointed as the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation. First elected to NSW Parliament as the Member for Hornsby in 2011, he previously served as the Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasury in the Baird Government.

*Minister for Tourism and Major Events and Assistant Minister for Skills – The Hon. Adam Marshall MP*

The Hon. Adam Marshall MP has been appointed Minister for Tourism and Major Events and Assistant Minister for Skills. First elected to the NSW Parliament as the Member for Northern Tablelands in 2013, Marshall was previously Parliamentary Secretary for Northern NSW and Renewable Energy in the Baird Government.

*Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women and Minister for Ageing – The Hon. Tanya Davies MP*

The Hon. Tanya Davies MP has been appointed Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Women and Minister for Ageing. First elected to Parliament in 2011, Tanya Davies served as Parliamentary Secretary for Youth Affairs and Homelessness from 2015 to 2017.

*Minister for Multiculturalism and Minister for Disability Services – The Hon. Ray Williams MP*

The Hon. Ray Williams MP has been appointed Minister for Multiculturalism and Disability Services. First elected to the NSW Parliament as the Member for Hawkesbury in 2007, Williams has served as Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier for Western Sydney, and Parliamentary Secretary for Transport across the Baird and O’Farrell Governments.

*Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education – The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MP*

The Hon. Sarah Mitchell MP has been appointed as the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education. First elected to the NSW Legislative Council in 2011, Mitchell has previously served as Parliamentary Secretary for Regional and Rural Health and Western NSW in the Baird Government.



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