

Statement

The Hon Dan Andrews MP
Premier



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NEW LABOR MINISTRY TO FOCUS ON JOBS

Three new members of Cabinet have today been sworn in, with Natalie Hutchins, Shaun Leane and Danny Pearson joining the Andrews Labor Government Ministry.

Formerly Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence, **Natalie Hutchins** will again be a determined voice on behalf of victim survivors, taking up the portfolios of Victim Support and delivering the Government's reform agenda in Corrections, Youth Justice, and Crime Prevention.

Having spent his parliamentary career representing communities in the outer east, **Shaun Leane** will ensure our growing suburbs have the services and infrastructure they need as Minister for Suburban Development. As Minister for Local Government, he will support local councils as they grapple with the pandemic, and as the son of a World War II veteran, he'll also bring his very real personal connection to the portfolio of Minister for Veterans.

As Assistant Treasurer and Minister for Regulatory Reform, **Danny Pearson** will work closely with the Treasurer to deliver the Budget, oversee government shared services and bring clarity and coordination to the government's regulatory structure. As Minister for Government Services, he will oversee the public sector, cyber security and citizen digital transaction reform.

Six months into the coronavirus pandemic, the role of government in supporting business and industry has never been more important. **Martin Pakula** will take on the key portfolio of Industry Support and Recovery – helping Victorian businesses navigate restrictions and restart their operations in a COVIDsafe economy, and delivering targeted support for our key job-creating sectors.

Recognising their importance to our state's ability to grow new jobs, Minister Pakula will also take responsibility for the development of the Docklands precinct, Fishermans Bend and the Footscray precinct as part of the new Business Precincts portfolio. He will continue his work in the portfolios of Trade, Tourism, Sport and Major Events, and Racing.

Ben Carroll will step into the frontline roles of Minister for Public Transport and Minister for Roads and Road Safety, continuing to ensure we have the reliable and integrated transport network we need to get Victorians home safer and sooner.

Jaala Pulford takes up a critical role in creating jobs and overseeing Working for Victoria as Minister for Employment. Highlighting the importance of research and discovery to our economic recovery, she will also serve as Minister for Innovation, Medical Research and the Digital Economy, and ensure our largest sector has a strong voice in government as Minister for Small Business.

Melissa Horne will serve as the Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation and Minister for Fishing and Boating, in addition to continuing her vital work in maintaining our reputation as the freight and logistics capital of Australia, as Minister for Ports and Freight.

In addition to her role as Minister for Transport Infrastructure, **Jacinta Allan** will lead the delivery of our biggest public transport project and reshape our suburbs as the Minister for the Suburban Rail Loop. She will also continue to oversee Development Victoria and the key transport precincts of Arden, Sunshine and the Richmond to Flinders Street corridor.

Victoria is facing an unprecedented challenge as we begin the recovery from coronavirus. This is the strong, dedicated and determined team to get us through to the other side.

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Jaclyn Symes	Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council Minister for Regional Development Minister for Agriculture Minister for Resources
Jenny Mikakos	Deputy Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council Minister for the Coordination of Health and Human Services – COVID-19 Minister for Health Minister for Ambulance Services
Tim Pallas	Minister for the Coordination of Treasury and Finance – COVID-19 Treasurer Minister for Industrial Relations Minister for Economic Development
Jacinta Allan	Leader of the House Minister for the Coordination of Transport – COVID-19 Minister for Transport Infrastructure Minister for the Suburban Rail Loop
Ben Carroll	Minister for Public Transport Minister for Roads and Road Safety
Lily D’Ambrosio	Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Minister for Solar Homes
Luke Donnellan	Minister for Child Protection Minister for Disability, Ageing and Carers
Martin Foley	Minister for Mental Health Minister for Equality Minister for Creative Industries
Jill Hennessy	Minister for the Coordination of Justice and Community Safety – COVID-19 Attorney-General Minister for Workplace Safety
Melissa Horne	Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation Minister for Ports and Freight Minister for Fishing and Boating
Natalie Hutchins	Minister for Crime Prevention Minister for Corrections Minister for Youth Justice Minister for Victim Support
Shaun Leane	Minister for Local Government Minister for Suburban Development Minister for Veterans
Lisa Neville	Minister for the Coordination of Environment, Land, Water and Planning – COVID-19 Minister for Water Minister for Police and Emergency Services

Martin Pakula	Minister for the Coordination of Jobs, Precincts and Regions – COVID 19 Minister for Industry Support and Recovery Minister for Trade Minister for Business Precincts Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events Minister for Racing
Danny Pearson	Assistant Treasurer Minister for Regulatory Reform Minister for Government Services
Jaala Pulford	Minister for Employment Minister for Innovation, Medical Research and the Digital Economy Minister for Small Business
Ros Spence	Minister for Multicultural Affairs Minister for Community Sport Minister for Youth
Gayle Tierney	Minister for Skills and Training Minister for Higher Education
Gabrielle Williams	Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Minister for Prevention of Family Violence Minister for Women
Richard Wynne	Minister for Housing Minister for Planning

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