

# Assessing the Youth Justice System

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# | Our vision and purpose



Our vision is to have **safe communities** supported by **fair and ethical public institutions**.

We are an **independent** agency dedicated to **combating major crime** and **reducing corruption** in the public sector for the benefit of the Queensland community.



# About us



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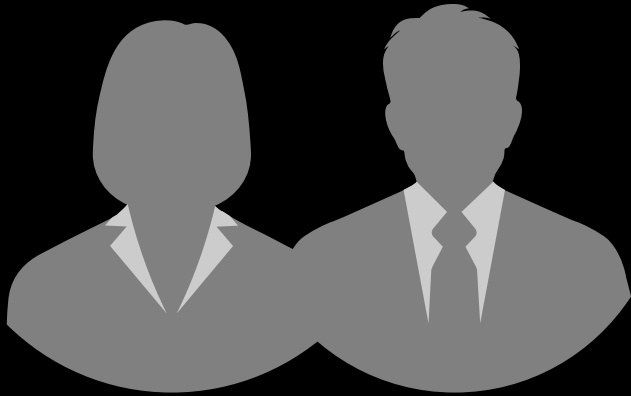
**31 YEARS**  
of independent oversight



**65M**  
Annual budget



# Who we are



357

staff as at  
15 January 2020

- Police
- Civilian investigators
- Financial investigators
- Lawyers
- Intelligence officers
- Forensic computing experts
- Researchers and policy specialists
- Corporate staff

Multi-  
Disciplinary  
Teams



# What we do



## Major Crime

We investigate organised crime, criminal paedophilia, terrorism and other serious criminal offences.



## Corruption

We receive and investigate serious allegations of corruption against police, public servants and elected officials. We help strengthen public Sector anti-corruption efforts.



## Proceeds of Crime

We freeze cash and assets derived from suspected criminal activity and can forfeit them to the State of Queensland.



## Witness Protection

We administer the witness protection program allowing witnesses to provide evidence in court safely.



# About our work

Figures: Year-to-date highlights for 1 July 2020 to 31 December 2020

## Major Crime Investigations



**18** people charged  
458 offences

**12** investigations  
finalised

## Proceeds of Crime

**\$7.21M** cash and assets  
forfeited to the State



## Corruption Investigations

**4** people charged 67 offences



**14** investigations finalised

**15** recommendations for disciplinary action

## Complaints

**1746** received **1931** assessed



## Hearings

**140** days of private  
hearings

**0** days of public  
hearings

## Witness Protection

**100%** of witnesses  
kept safe to  
give evidence



# Oversight Perspective





# Complex System





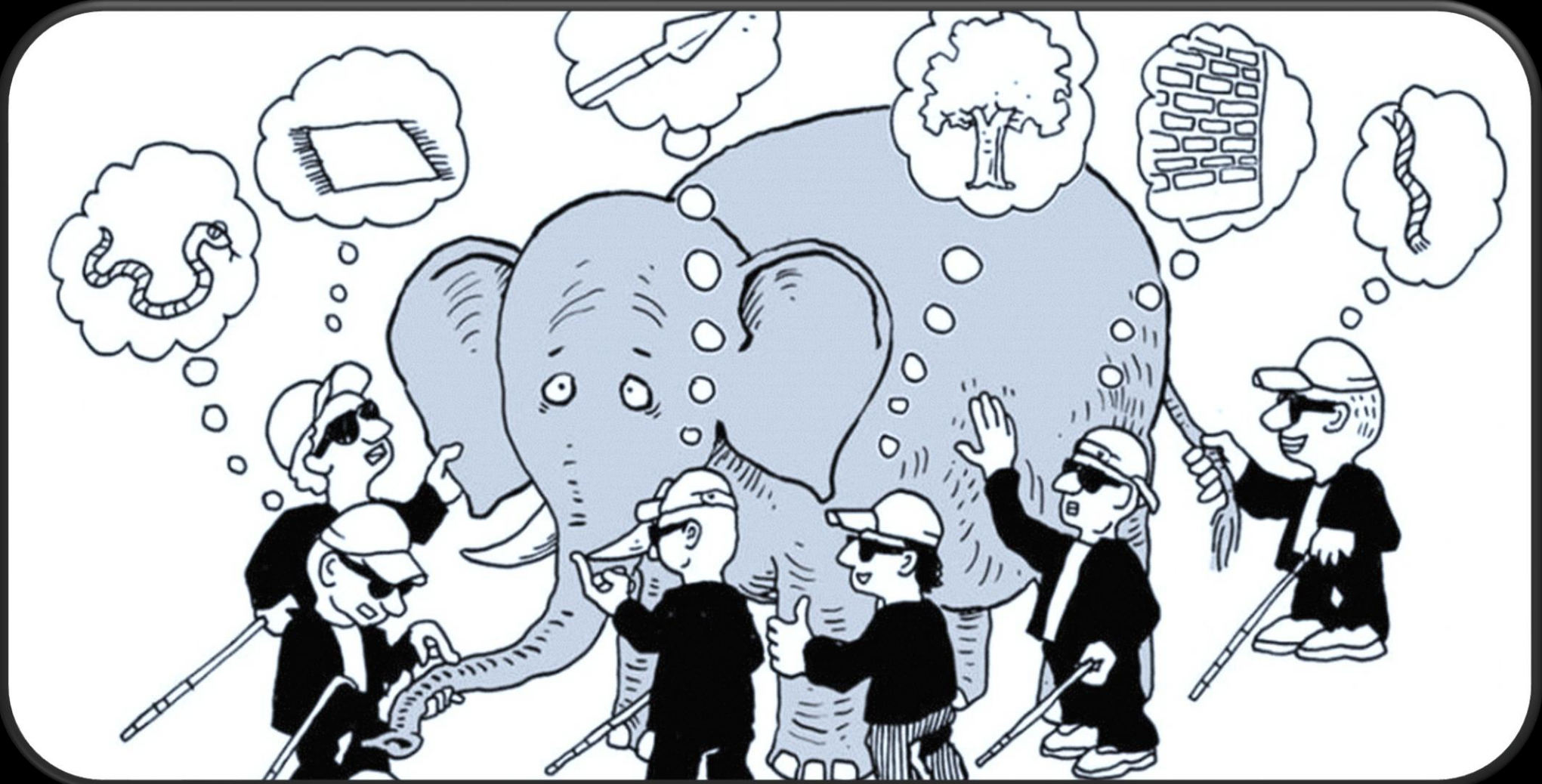


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# Early Intervention





Long-term Effort

Realistic Benefits



# Being Accountable





# Missed Opportunities

**Broader Thinking**



# Information Sharing





# Assessing Success

*“recognise always that the test of police efficiency is the absence of crime and disorder, and not the visible evidence of police action in dealing with them”*

Sir Robert Peel 1829





# Assessing Success

“recognise always that the test of **youth justice system** efficiency is the absence of crime and disorder, and not the visible evidence of **youth justice system** intervention in dealing with them”

**OPTIONAL**

Adapted Sir Robert Peel 1829





# Thank you. Questions?



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