

*Editors' Note: a photo of Sally Dale is at <https://tinyurl.com/ycea322n>*

## NSW MAKES HISTORY WITH APPOINTMENT OF ONGOING FEMALE VALUER GENERAL

The Lieutenant-Governor of NSW has appointed Ms Sally Dale as the State's Valuer General for a four-year term, from 1 June 2024 until 31 May 2028.

Ms Dale is the first woman Valuer General for NSW since the role was established over 100 years ago. She has been appointed for a four-year term after excelling in an acting capacity over the past year, and the appointment followed an open recruitment process.

Ms Dale, 52, a mother of two, grew up in North Rocks before starting her career in 1994 with a Bachelor of Business in Land Economics from the University of Western Sydney. Ms Dale has since amassed more than 30 years' experience as a successful property valuer, private business owner and executive, as well as acting executive director of land valuation agency Valuation NSW, before being appointed to the State's top valuation role.

The Valuer General is an independent statutory officer appointed by the Governor of NSW.

As Valuer General, Ms Dale will oversee NSW's land valuation system which each year values more than 2.6 million parcels of land valued at over \$2.80 trillion. Land values are used by local councils in setting rates and the NSW Government to assess land tax.

The Valuer General also oversees independent valuations to ensure landowners are fairly compensated if their land is compulsorily acquired by government agencies for infrastructure projects.

Ms Dale has led reforms acting as Valuer General over the past 12 months, working with Valuation NSW to improve the valuation system to deliver benefits for NSW landholders and government.

In addition, Ms Dale has focused on demystifying the States' valuation system, via the development and introduction of tailored and targeted education programs and materials.

### **Minister for Lands and Property Steve Kamper said:**

"I'm thrilled that Ms Dale has been appointed Valuer General. She makes history as the first woman in the position in more than a century after serving admirably in the role over the past 12 months.

"Ms Dale's leadership, expertise and dedication will be crucial in leading further transformational improvements in the State's land valuation system.

"She has already made significant strides to strengthen her support agency Valuation NSW and build a positive work environment that is delivering improvements in operations and strategic reforms, and I look forward to seeing Ms Dale's continued positive impact as she oversees the State's valuation system over the next four years."

**Valuer General Sally Dale said:**

“I look forward to the next four years and am very lucky to be supported by such a dedicated group of professionals at Valuation NSW.

“Our mission is to provide a valuation system that inspires public confidence and trust, and I am excited about a number of initiatives we are working on to help modernise and demystify the important work we do.”