

South Bank Corporation General Manager Corporate Services

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Introduction

Thank you for your interest in the **General Manager, Corporate Services** selection process.

OnTalent is privileged to partner with Julia Scodellaro, Chief Executive Officer, in leading the process of this appointment on behalf of **South Bank Corporation**. This Success Profile provides you with information regarding the organisation, the role, our ideal candidate and the process we will use.

Once you have reviewed this material, and if you haven't already, please [visit](#) for details on how to apply.

I look forward to working with you through this process and invite you to contact Jevon Seah or myself directly at anytime on 07 3305 5800.

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Chief Executive

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General Manager, Corporate Services

South Bank Corporation is the proud place manager and master developer of the 42-hectare South Bank precinct. More than 30 years since its creation, the Corporation continues to honour South Bank's rich heritage and iconic legacy as the green heart of our city - a vibrant destination where people come to meet, work, play and invest.

South Bank Corporation is driven by a passionate collective of skilled professionals who keep South Bank running seamlessly. Bringing together an unrivalled range of technical, design, creative, and business management expertise, their teams oversee the development and day-to-day management of the precinct's operations, maintenance, security, events and activations, and commercial assets.

South Bank is more than just a place; it is a vibrant, living ecosystem of experiences, communities and memories. South Bank Corporation is embarking on a journey of transformation and at the core of this evolution is its commitment to their people. They are seeking a visionary and contemporary leader to join their executive team in the pivotal new role of General Manager, Corporate Services

About the Role

This is a senior, enterprise-wide leadership role responsible for providing strategic stewardship across South Bank Corporation's Corporate Services functions including finance, governance, risk, work health & safety, procurement, information technology, reporting and statutory compliance.

Reporting to the Chief Executive Officer, this role will be a trusted advisor to the CEO, the Executive Management Team and the Board, providing clear, pragmatic and forward-looking advice that supports financial sustainability, strong governance and informed decision making. Operating within a statutory authority framework, this position will strike the critical balance between commercial outcomes and non-commercial public value and ensure the Corporation's governance, financial and systems disciplines are contemporary, fit for purpose and enabling, allowing operational teams to deliver a safe, vibrant and world leading precinct while maintaining probity, accountability, and compliance.

As a member of the Executive Management Team, this position will play a central role in translating the Corporation's Strategic Plan and Business Plans into effective operational delivery. The remit is to ensure Corporate Services functions do not simply control and assure, but actively enable performance, innovation and activation across a diverse and complex precinct environment.

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Your Contribution

- Provide strategic leadership across financial sustainability, budgeting, reporting and commercial optimisation, ensuring robust financial discipline across retail, commercial assets, events, activation and precinct operations.
- Lead the development and continuous improvement of enterprise governance, risk and compliance frameworks, ensuring the Corporation meets its statutory obligations while operating safely, transparently and effectively in a highly activated public environment.
- Establish and embed sound procurement and contract management frameworks that balance rigour with agility, enabling timely delivery while managing risk and probity.
- Oversee information technology, systems and infrastructure to ensure staff are supported by reliable, contemporary tools that enable productivity, resilience and service excellence.
- Provide high quality, insightful analysis and reporting to the Executive Management Team and Board to support confident, evidence based decision making.
- Lead and develop a high performing Corporate Services team, fostering a culture of accountability, service excellence, collaboration and continuous improvement across finance, governance, risk, procurement and IT disciplines.

About You

- We are seeking highly credible and commercially astute executive candidates with solid experience across Corporate Services or professional services functions in complex organisations. You bring a strong grounding in financial management, governance and risk, paired with the judgement and interpersonal capability to operate at the most senior levels. Exposure to government budgeting, legislative frameworks and governance requirements will be important to understand the nuances of operating within a statutory or public sector environment while maintaining strong commercial discipline.
- You are equally comfortable in the detail and at the strategic level. You can interpret complex financial, legal and regulatory information, translate it into practical advice, and guide executives and Boards through risk based decisions with clarity and confidence.
- Your background includes relevant tertiary qualifications in business, commerce or a related discipline. CA or CPA qualifications are strongly preferred, reflecting the financial stewardship and enterprise accountability inherent in this role.
- You lead with integrity, balance assurance with enablement, and are motivated by contributing to an organisation with a strong sense of place, community impact and public value.
- You are a decisive, thoughtful leader who builds trust through energy and action who communicates with influence and creates clarity in complexity.
- This is a rare opportunity to shape the financial, governance and systems backbone of one of Brisbane's most iconic destinations while being part of a purpose driven, high performing executive team.

Applications close 11.59pm Sunday 1 March 2026

More Information and to Apply

[Position Description](#) | [Visit](#)



South Bank Corporation

South Bank Corporation (SBC) is a statutory authority established under the South Bank Corporation Act 1989 (the Act) to plan, develop and manage the 42-hectare parcel of land on the southern bank of the central business district reach of the Brisbane River, known as “South Bank”.

The Corporation is proud to continue to manage and plan for the future of South Bank to ensure the precinct continues to be Brisbane’s premier public space, now visited by around 14 million people annually.

SBC seeks to be ambitious, creative and solutions focused in its approach to business. SBC’s employees are committed to creating and managing the best urban precinct in the world that welcomes, engages and inspires.

Sustainable relationships, innovation and passion characterise SBC’s work which touches on many aspects of modern life. South Bank Corporation proudly celebrates their successes and continues to achieve local, national and international recognition for the Corporation’s foresight, place management and place making expertise.



South Bank Corporation

SBC's vision is to be a world-leading urban precinct that welcomes, engages and inspires.

South Bank is Brisbane's favourite destination and one of Queensland's most-visited attractions. Since its inception more than 30 years ago as a legacy of World Expo 1988, millions of people from Australia and around the world have enjoyed its iconic mix of recreational, cultural, educational and commercial areas.

What's Next

The next 30 years will be a transformative time for South Bank and an opportunity to make the precinct even better for future generations. SBC's plan for the future aims to make the precinct greener, livelier and more connected and inclusive, ensuring it remains a place for everyone.

Future Southbank Master Plan

Strategic Goals

Our Purpose

To be a renowned place manager, recognising the demand for green space in Brisbane's inner city.

- To innovate, manage and maintain our enviable reputation as Brisbane's premier recreational, cultural, educational and entertainment precinct.
- Redevelop key sites while strengthening physical integration and relationships within the immediate neighbourhood.

Our Values

South Bank Corporation strive to be:

1. Inclusive
2. Sustainable
3. Collaborative
4. Curious
5. Bold

Strategic Plan 2025-2029



Objectives

Under the Act South Bank Corporation's responsibilities are as follows:

- Promote, facilitate, carry out and control the development, disposal and management of land and other property within the Corporation area
- Achieve an appropriate balance between the Corporation's commercial and non-commercial functions
- Ensure the Corporation area complements, rather than duplicates, other public use sites in the inner-city Brisbane area
- Provide for a diverse range of recreational, cultural and educational pursuits for local, regional and international visitors
- Accommodate public events and entertainment that benefit the general community
- Achieve excellence and innovation in the management of open space and park areas

South Bank Corporation's Functions

Under the Act, SBC's functions include:

- a) to produce such a plan or plans as may be necessary in relation to the corporation area in order to fulfil its objectives;
- b) to promote and undertake the development of land within the corporation area in accordance with the approved development plan;
- c) to facilitate and control, with the council, the development of land within the corporation area in accordance with the approved development plan;
- d) to efficiently manage, and dispose by lease, of land vested in or under the control of the corporation under the approved development plan to secure the maximum prudent financial benefit for the corporation;
- e) to efficiently manage and dispose of other property vested in or under the control of the corporation to secure the maximum prudent financial benefit for the corporation;
- f) to manage on an ongoing basis all land and other property vested in or under the control of the corporation to secure the maximum prudent financial benefit for the corporation;
- g) to promote, organise and conduct tourist, educational, recreational, entertainment, cultural and commercial activities in the corporation area;
- h) to construct, establish, maintain, develop and operate tourist, educational, recreational, entertainment, cultural and commercial facilities within the corporation area;
- i) to achieve, by the adoption of best practice principles, excellence and innovation in the management of open space and park areas;
- j) to carry out works for the purpose of landscaping the corporation area.





Chief Executive Officer

Julia Scodellaro Chief Executive Officer

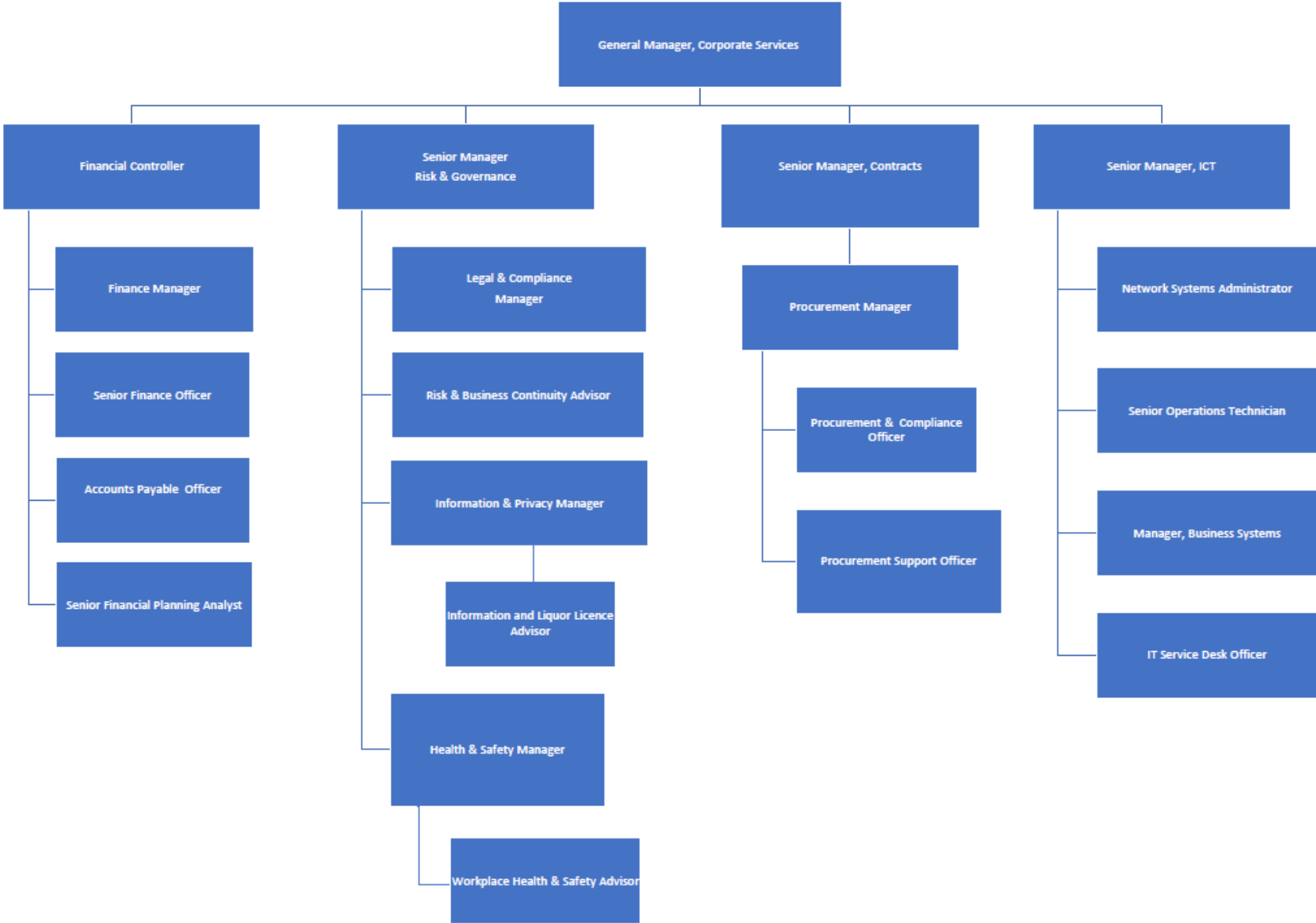
Julia Scodellaro was appointed as Chief Executive Officer of South Bank Corporation in July 2025, following more than two decades as an experienced urban planner, design excellence advocate, major project delivery manager and integrated precinct manager.

Before becoming CEO, Julia spent more than a decade shaping South Bank in various senior management roles at the Corporation and led the development of the Future South Bank Master Plan and oversaw the \$600 million Southpoint development.

Julia's passion for South Bank and dedication to creating a world-class precinct is unrivalled. Together with the Corporation's team, Julia is focused on evolving South Bank's legacy and continuing to grow the globally recognised and much-loved precinct into the future.



Organisation Chart – Corporate Services





General Manager, Corporate Services

The General Manager, Corporate Services is a senior executive leadership role responsible for the strategic stewardship and operational excellence of South Bank Corporation’s core enabling functions, including finance, governance, risk, procurement, information technology, work health & safety, reporting and statutory compliance.

Reporting to the Chief Executive Officer, the role serves as a trusted advisor to the CEO, Executive Management Team and Board, providing clear, pragmatic and forward-looking advice that supports financial sustainability, strong governance and confident decision-making. Operating within a statutory authority framework, the position balances commercial outcomes with public value, ensuring contemporary, fit-for-purpose systems, frameworks and disciplines that enable high-performing operations across a complex, highly activated precinct environment.

As a member of the Executive Management Team, the role plays a central part in translating strategic and business plans into effective operational delivery, ensuring Corporate Services functions move beyond control and assurance to actively enable performance, innovation and precinct activation while maintaining probity, accountability and compliance.

Key Accountabilities

- Lead enterprise financial sustainability, budgeting, reporting and commercial optimisation
- Oversee governance, risk and compliance frameworks and statutory obligations
- Establish robust, agile procurement and contract management frameworks
- Lead IT, systems and infrastructure to enable productivity and service excellence
- Provide high-quality executive and Board reporting and strategic insight
- Build and lead a high-performing Corporate Services team
- Enable organisational performance, innovation and operational delivery across the precinct



 [Position Description: General Manager, Corporate Services](#)



Our Ideal Candidate

The ideal candidate is a highly credible, commercially astute executive leader with deep experience across Corporate Services or professional services functions within complex, multi-stakeholder organisations. You bring strong capability in financial management, governance and risk, coupled with the judgement and interpersonal maturity to operate confidently at CEO, executive and Board level. With experience working in or alongside statutory authorities, government entities or regulated environments, you understand the balance between commercial discipline, public accountability and community value.

Equally comfortable in strategic leadership and operational detail, you can interpret complex financial, legal and regulatory information and translate it into clear, practical advice that supports confident, risk-informed decision-making. You are a contemporary leader who leads with integrity, credibility and calm authority, balancing assurance with enablement and control with agility.

Tertiary qualifications in business, commerce or a related discipline are essential, with CA or CPA strongly preferred, reflecting your role as a financial steward of the organisation. You are values-led, impact-driven and motivated by contributing to a purpose-driven organisation with a strong sense of place, community impact and public value, while building high-performing teams and enabling organisational performance and innovation.



Our Process

At OnTalent, we specialise in partnering with purpose driven organisations to identify and secure exceptional leadership and we are pleased to be working with South Bank Corporation on this recruitment project.

Our approach is deliberate, strategic and people centred. Every step of our process is designed to ensure alignment between candidate capability and organisational purpose. From understanding the culture and objectives of our clients to engaging and assessing talent in a considered and thorough way, we don't cut corners.

We are deeply committed to creating inclusive and equitable recruitment experiences. Our process is built to reduce bias and support diverse representation at all stages. We will work closely with you to ensure we are able to create an inclusive, fair and accessible pathway for you throughout the process. We encourage all candidates to discuss their individual circumstances with our team at any time.

Our recruitment process is built to deliver results that last.



OnTalent Commitment

OnTalent is committed to providing exceptional levels of service to our clients and candidates alike.

Our commitment is to 'Connect People and Purpose' and we take this seriously.

Our core service standards for this project will include:

- All candidate calls returned on the same day.
- All client requests actioned in the same day.
- All applicants to be given an outcome within five working days.
- All interviewed candidates to be given verbal feedback.
- All reports to be tailored and accurate and delivered on time.
- Interviews coordinated so that candidate's privacy is a priority with no candidates seen by other candidates.
- All candidates to be prepared and briefed for panel interviews.
- All panel members fully briefed prior to interviews as to format, questions, and candidate profiles.



If you have questions about this role, please reach out to one of the team below.
We welcome your application via the apply button on the [OnTalent Website](#).

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