

Bruce Farquhar

Operational & Planning Consultant



Bruce has had over 30 years experience in various roles in Corrections, including experience in both operational areas and asset management. Key operational experience included Management of Prison Industries, Member of the Prisoner Assessment Committee and custodial duties.

The last 15 years of his career was dedicated to asset management which included both major capital works and minor works projects. This experience has enabled him to gain a comprehensive understanding of which design and building solutions delivered the most effective outcomes to meet the many different operational requirements of a modern correctional system.

During his career, Bruce has taken every opportunity to visit other correctional jurisdictions to explore and learn from their experience in prison design and building solutions. He developed a network of key people with whom he was able to exchange ideas and seek advice.

Bruce is well known in the industry as an innovator in correctional design and built solutions through his ability to achieve outcome which:

- meet operational requirements and self harm minimisation.
- use alternative material to meet security requirements, robustness and reduced life cycle costs.
- integrate physical and electronic security to achieve the desired security ratings and operations needs.
- provide for flexibility of use and are 'future-proofed'.

Experience

- South Australian representative on the Australasian Correctional Planning Framework Committee. This body was established by the Correctional Administrators Conference to develop guidelines outlining all aspects that need to be considered when developing new correctional facilities.
- Lead author for the Design Output Specification for the SA PPP Prison Project.
- Author of the SA DCS internal publication 'South Australian Cell Design Guidelines'.
- Principal author of the SA DCS internal publication 'Minimum Standards for Doors and Lock'.
- Author of the very comprehensive SA DCS publication 'Design Guidelines for Prison Facilities' 2009.
- Author of the Design Brief and Draft Operational Brief for the Mount Gambier Prison and Departmental Project Manager for the construction and commissioning.

Experience cont

- Author of the Design Brief for the Mobilong Prison Ross Units and the Departmental Project Manager for the construction and commissioning.
- Author of the Design Brief and Departmental Project Manager for Stages 4A and 4B of the Port August Prison redevelopment.
- Author of the Design Briefs and Project management of a number of Community Corrections facilities.
- Key team member for the upgrade and rebuild of a number of prison control rooms and associated facilities.
- Undertaken numerous reviews of physical security and design of prisons, juvenile institutions, police stations and court complexes.

Major Award Winner

- In 2007, Bruce was awarded an Australia Day Medal for his services to Correctional Services with the citation making particular reference to his innovative approach to the development of new and redeveloped correctional facilities.