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Alison joined the Australian Public Service in 1998. Throughout her career, Alison has led teams undertaking complex policy, ministerial and advisory roles in corporate, legal, parliamentary, ministerial and capability functions. Alison's policy development and analytic skills and her broad experience in ministerial and parliamentary functions, saw Alison lead a team responsible for counter-terrorism and law enforcement policy in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in 2006.

Alison was recruited back to Defence in 2007 to provide policy development support to the senior leadership on complex issues and later ministerial advice and support. Drawing on her policy background and skills, Alison was selected to lead Defence involvement in an external review of abuse allegations in 2011. In 2013, Alison was appointed Director Capability Analysis – Maritime Systems, leading a small team providing analysis of major Defence maritime capability proposals.

Though Alison was promoted to the ASGFS position in October 2016, Alison was seconded the following month to lead Defence's management of a discrete policy issue. Alison returned to the ASGFS role in April 2017.