

Berejiklian marks one year as NSW premier

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Gladys Berejiklian says her first year as NSW premier has been "rewarding", despite having faced plenty of challenges.



Tuesday marks one year since she was thrust into the top job on January 23 following Mike Baird's shock resignation.

Handed the task of implementing a doomed council amalgamation policy, faced with a handful of by-elections and public backlash over a pricey stadium spend, Ms Berejiklian's maiden year has been tumultuous.

The backflip on council amalgamations, leaked documents exposing massive cost blowouts to WestConnex and an indefinitely-delayed emergency services levy provided several headaches in her first 365 days.

But Ms Berejiklian did inherit a healthy set of books after her predecessor's decision to privatise half of the state's poles and wires businesses, which is bankrolling the government's massive infrastructure spend.

The state Liberal leader pointed to the government's strong economic position, infrastructure projects and inroads in housing affordability as major milestones from her first year in office.

"I've certainly found the experience amazing and rewarding," she told reporters on Monday.

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