1. The Local Government Remuneration Commission (Commission) is established under the *Local Government Act 2009* (Act) from 3 December 2018.
2. The Commission is established under new chapter 6, part 3, of the Act, with the following functions:
   * to establish the categories of Local Governments;
   * to decide the category to which each Local Government belongs;
   * to decide the maximum amount of remuneration payable to the Councillors in each of the categories; and
   * another function related to the remuneration of Councillors directed, in writing, by the Minister.
3. Pursuant to section 180 of the Act, the Governor in Council appoints a person to be the Chairperson of the Commission and appoints the number of casual Commissioners the Governor in Council considers appropriate.
4. Section 181 of the Act states that a person is qualified to be a member of the Commission only if the person has extensive knowledge of, and experience in, any of the following:
   * Local Government
   * community affairs
   * industrial relations
   * public administration
   * public finance; or
   * has other knowledge and experience the Governor in Council considers appropriate.
5. Cabinet endorsed that the appointment of Mr Robert (Bob) Abbot as Chairperson and Ms Andrea Ranson and Mr Reimen Hii as casual Commissioners of the Local Government Remuneration Commission be recommended to the Governor in Council for a term of four years, commencing from the date of Governor in Council approval.
6. *Attachments*
   * Nil.