1. Parole Board Queensland (the Board) is an independent statutory body that makes decisions about a prisoner’s release into the community under supervision. The Board decides prisoners’ applications for release into the community on parole, and amends, suspends or cancels parole orders for prisoners who have been released to parole. The highest priority in making parole decisions is the safety of the community.
2. Section 221 of the *Corrective Services Act 2006* establishes the Board’s minimum membership as follows:
* the president;
* at least one deputy president;
* at least two members (each a professional board member) who have a university or professional qualification that is relevant to the functions of the Board, including, for example, a legal or medical qualification;
* at least one police officer nominated by the commissioner (each a police representative);
* at least one public service officer, nominated by the chief executive, who has expertise or experience in probation and parole matters (each a public service representative);
* the required number of other members (each a community board member), each of whom represents the Queensland community.
1. Cabinet endorsed that Ms Valentina McKenzie be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as a professional board member to the Board for a period of 12 months from 29 November 2021.
2. Cabinet endorsed the following nominees be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as community board members to the Board for a period of 12 months commencing from 29 November 2021:

Ms Barbara Williams;

Mr Mark Zeller;

Ms Maxine Renouf;

Dr Michelle Denton;

Mr Kevin Francis;

Ms Monique Ulrick-Hunter;

Mr Robert Hastings;

Ms Sue Scheinpflug; and

Ms Tracey Barty.

1. *Attachments*:
* Nil.