1. Established under section 37 of the *Queensland Mental Health Commission Act 2013* (‘the Act), the functions of the Queensland Mental Health Advisory Council (the Council) are to provide advice to the Queensland Mental Health Commission on mental health or substance misuse issues and to make recommendations to the Commission in relation to its functions.
2. The Council will also act as champion for consumers, carers and families, particularly in regional, rural and remote areas of Queensland.
3. Sections 39 and 40 of the Act provide that members of the Council are to be appointed by the Minister, and that the Minister may appoint members of the Council to be chairperson and deputy chairperson of the Council.
4. Cabinet endorsed the nomination of Professor Harvey Whiteford for appointment as member and Chairperson of the Council for a term of three years from the date of Ministerial approval.
5. *Attachments*

* Nil.