## Local Government Commission Candidate Information Sheet

The Minister of Local Government (the Minister) is seeking nominations for two positions on the Local Government Commission (the Commission), one Chair and one temporary member.

### About the Local Government Commission

The functions of the Commission are set out in the Local Government Act 2002 (the Act). It is a commission of inquiry that promotes good local government in New Zealand. It can, at its own discretion or at the direction of the Minister, consider any matter relating to a local authority or local government.

Information about the Commission’s span of responsibilities and work is available on its website at [www.lgc.govt.nz](http://www.lgc.govt.nz).

### Membership, commitment, and fees

The Commission consists of between one and three members all of whom are appointed by the Minister.

Commissioners are expected to attend monthly meetings and ad hoc meetings as required. Preparation time for meetings is normally up to two hours but may take more time when complex issues are being considered.

The Commission is classified as a Group 2, Level 2 Statutory Tribunal under the Cabinet Fees Framework [CO (22) 2 refers]. Commissioners receive a daily fee and are reimbursed for travel and other reasonable expenses.

### Skills and attributes sought

The selection criteria includes:

* critical thinking skills and the ability to make robust and fair decisions;
* the ability to interpret legislation and apply legislative requirements;
* strong interpersonal and relationship management skills, including working collegially with other Commissioners;
* the ability to think strategically and to see how the Commission’s decisions fit into the bigger picture;
* knowledge of tikanga Maori;
* an open-minded attitude to new ideas and innovations in ways of working;
* experience working with hapu, iwi, and Māori communities;
* experience as an elected member or chief executive of a local authority; and
* any other knowledge and experience of local government in New Zealand.

### How to apply

Each application must be accompanied by a completed expression of interest form, a current curriculum vitae, a cover letter, and photo identification (Passport or NZ drivers licence).

Please send the above information to [appointments@dia.govt.nz](mailto:appointments@dia.govt.nz) by 5 pm on Friday, 7 June 2024.

Expression of interest forms and further information about the process are available on the Department of Internal Affairs’ Statutory Appointments webpage: <http://www.dia.govt.nz/Appointments-to-Statutory-Bodies>.

Nominees should note that any nomination received will not necessarily result in appointment.

Additional information can be obtained by emailing [appointments@dia.govt.nz](mailto:appointments@dia.govt.nz).

The Department may request that the New Zealand Security Intelligence Service conduct national security screening of the candidate as part of the appointment process.

Applications close at 5 pm on Friday, 7 June 2024.