

REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

REPORT RELATING TO DETERMINATION NO. 2 OF 2014

ELECTORAL ALLOWANCES FOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, ALLOWANCES FOR MINISTERS OF THE CROWN AND OFFICERS OF THE PARLIAMENT

1. INTRODUCTION

The Remuneration Tribunal issued Determination 2 of 2014 in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the *Parliamentary Remuneration Act 1990*. The Determination prescribes the electoral allowances to be paid to Members of Parliament and the expense allowances payable to Ministers of the Crown and Officers of the Parliament. These allowances were previously prescribed by the now superseded Determination 6 of 2006 (the superseded Determination).

2. DISCUSSION

In its report of 21 August 2012, the Electoral Districts Boundaries Commission renamed the electoral district of Norwood as the Electoral District of Dunstan. The State Election to be held on 15 March 2014, will return a member for that electorate for the first time. Accordingly, Determination 2 of 2014 prescribes an electorate allowance for Dunstan to ensure that the member for that seat is appropriately remunerated, and to remove the superseded Electoral District of Norwood.

The electoral allowance for the Electoral District of Dunstan is the same as the allowance that previously applied to Norwood. Similarly the electoral allowances applying to all other electoral districts prescribed by Determination 2 of 2014 are no different from those that applied under the superseded Determination. The Tribunal also determined to not vary the expense allowances payable to Ministers and Officers of the Parliament at this time. Therefore, the amounts prescribed in the new determination for these allowances mirror those applying under the superseded determination.

The superseded Determination also prescribed a Country Members Accommodation Allowance and Travelling and Accommodation Allowances for Ministers of the Crown and the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Opposition. However, these allowances have long been the subject of separate determinations by the Tribunal, the current one being Determination 3 of 2013. Accordingly, Determination 2 of 2014 does not deal with these accommodation and travelling allowances.

On the basis that the remuneration of a particular person, or persons of a particular class is unaffected by this determination, the Tribunal determined to not invite submissions in relation to this matter.

Original signed by D R Prior on 7 March 2014

Deane R. Prior
PRESIDENT

7 March 2014