



MP for Rimutaka

Minister of Education

Minister of State Services

Leader of the House

Minister Responsible for Ministerial Services

Hon Tracey Martin
Minister of Internal Affairs
Parliament Buildings
Wellington

Dear Minister,

Government Inquiry into the Appointment Process for a Deputy Commissioner of Policy – Member Fees

Thank you for your letter of 20 July 2018 seeking my support to pay fees of \$1,400 per day to the sole member of the Government Inquiry into the Appointment Process for a Deputy Commissioner of Policy (the Inquiry).

I understand that this rate reflects the following factors:

- the inquiry is likely to attract considerable public attention;
- the inquiry will involve analysing sensitive issues and needs a member with high investigative skills and knowledge of examining systems and processes;
- the expected workload for a short turnaround Inquiry and the personal demands involved; and
- that the fees are broadly consistent with those paid to members of previous inquiries.

I will support your proposal to pay exceptional fees of \$1,400 per day to the member of the Inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

Hon Chris Hipkins
Minister of State Services