



THE GOVERNMENT OF NORFOLK ISLAND

MEDIA RELEASE

Would you like to be on the Public Service Board?

André Nobbs, Chief Minister of Norfolk Island, has called for expressions of interest from members of the community who may wish to serve as members of the Public Service Board.

“There are currently two vacancies on the Public Service Board”, Mr Nobbs said. “I want to thank the retiring members for their commitment and contribution in past years and encourage members of the community who may wish to be involved to register their interest”.

The Public Service Board performs an important role under the *Public Sector Management Act 2000*. Its functions under that Act are to:

- (a) evaluate observance by public service management and employees of —
 - (i) the public sector general principles; and
 - (ii) the employment standards; and
- (b) advise the Legislative Assembly on the contents (or proposed contents) of any determination under Division 3 of Part 3 referred to it for comment by the executive member; and
- (c) if required by the executive member, advise the Legislative Assembly on the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer and the terms and conditions of that appointment; and
- (d) consider and report to the executive member on any matter relating to the public service (including a matter referred to it by the executive member); and
- (e) undertake any other task related to the administration of the Act referred to it by the executive member; and
- (f) perform any other function assigned to it by or under the Act or the Regulations.

Mr Nobbs said that the Norfolk Island Government was committed to full review of the public sector and to improving efficiency through the provision of improved technology and restructuring of service delivery. “We are at an exciting point in public sector reform”, Mr Nobbs said. “Membership of the Board is one way in which members of the community can be involved in this important process. I encourage anyone who feels they can make a positive contribution to put their name forward”.

New appointments will be recommended to the next Legislative Assembly meeting in September. Anyone wishing to express an interest or to seek further information should telephone 22003, email alma@assembly.gov.nf or write to the Chief Minister, Old Military Barracks, Kingston 2899.

André Nobbs
Chief Minister

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