



REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination No.2 2019

REASONS FOR DETERMINATION

Legislative Framework

Sub-section 47(6) of the *Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017* (the PBR Act) requires the Tribunal to notify its reasons for each determination made in relation to members of Parliament to the Minister and to publish those reasons on the Tribunal's website.

What Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2019 Does

Principal determination *Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2019 (2)* supersedes and revokes in full *Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2019 (Determination 2019)* which sets out remuneration and allowance provisions for members of Parliament and allowance and expense provisions for former members of Parliament.

Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2019 (2) commences on 1 January 2020.

The Tribunal's Reasons

Section 45 of the PBR Act requires the Tribunal to inquire into and determine the remuneration and rates of travel allowances payable to members of Parliament at least once each year. Section 46 requires the Tribunal to inquire into and determine the allowances and expenses payable to former members of Parliament at least once each year.

In June 2019, the Tribunal inquired into parliamentary base salary and related matters and issued *Determination 2019* to give effect to its decisions.

In August 2019, the Tribunal inquired into and determined changes to travel allowances for parliamentarians, and amended *Determination 2019*.

In December 2019, the Tribunal completed its inquiries in relation to the remaining remuneration provisions (including electorate allowance) for current members of Parliament as well as the provisions for former members. The Tribunal concluded that no changes to these provisions were necessary at this time.

Principal determination *Remuneration Tribunal (Members of Parliament) Determination 2019 (2)* makes no changes to the provisions in Determination 2019.

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2 December 2019