



# Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Aged Care Commissioner: Appointment

**Portfolio**                      **Associate Health (Hon Casey Costello)**

On 10 February 2026, the Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee:

- 1        **noted** that the Associate Minister of Health (Hon Casey Costello) intends to recommend that the Governor-General appoint Erin JAMES as the Aged Care Commissioner, for a five-year term commencing on 7 April 2026 and expiring on 6 April 2031.

Rachel Clarke  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Rt Hon Christopher Luxon (Chair)  
Hon David Seymour  
Rt Hon Winston Peters  
Hon Nicola Willis  
Hon Simeon Brown  
Hon Erica Stanford  
Hon Louise Upston  
Hon Dr Shane Reti  
Hon Tama Potaka  
Hon Matt Doocey  
Hon Nicola Grigg  
Hon James Meager  
Hon Karen Chhour

**Officials present from:**