



Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee

Minute of Decision

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Children's Commissioner: Appointment

Portfolio **Social Development and Employment**

On 16 June 2026, the Cabinet Appointments and Honours Committee:

- 1 **noted** that the Minister for Social Development and Employment intends to recommend that the Governor-General appoint Jane SEARLE as the Children's Commissioner, for a five-year term commencing on the date of appointment.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Christopher Luxon (Chair)
Hon David Seymour
Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Brooke van Velden
Hon Paul Goldsmith
Hon Louise Upston
Hon Matt Doocey
Hon Tama Potaka
Hon Chris Penk
Hon Penny Simmonds
Hon Casey Costello
Hon James Meager
Hon Nicola Grigg
Hon Karen Chhour

Officials present from: