

COMMUNIQUE - STEERING COMMITTEE MEETINGS 1 - 4

The Teachers Registration Act Review Steering Committee was appointed in October 2024.

The Review is being overseen by a skills-based Steering Committee, appointed by the Minister for Education and led by an independent Chair. Its membership includes representatives from across the Tasmanian education sector.

The Steering Committee held its first meeting on **25 November 2024**.

During this meeting the Steering Committee noted that a Project Team has been established to support its work. The Project Team consists of staff from the DECYP, who will report to the Committee.

The Steering Committee endorsed the:

- Review Terms of Reference
- Steering Committee Terms of Reference

The Steering Committee noted a presentation by the Project Team providing background to the Review and the current *Teachers Registration Act 2000*.

The Steering Committee noted the proposed timeline that includes:

- The release of a discussion paper to assist with public consultation over a two-month period in 2025
- The publication of a 'what we heard report' to summarise the feedback received during consultation
- The preparation of a final report and implementation plan for the Minister's consideration
- A phased implementation period to accommodate TRB's operational commitments

The Steering Committee held its second meeting on **9 December 2024**.

During this meeting the Steering Committee noted that the contents of the draft Discussion Paper were appropriate, provided editorial comments and requested further work on the questions to accompany the Paper.

The Steering Committee noted the Consultation Plan for the Review and sought further details from the Project Team about the timing and method of consultation with each stakeholder.

The Steering Committee held its third meeting on **Monday 3 February 2025**.

During this meeting the Steering Committee approved the final Discussion Paper (including the Child Friendly version), moving the Review into the next stage of public consultation.

The Teachers Registration Act Review Steering Committee held its fourth meeting on **Monday 3 March 2025**.

The Steering Committee considered policy issues surrounding the registration of Early Childhood Teachers in Early Childhood Education and Care settings. This work will allow the Steering Committee to make recommendations following consultation on the Discussion Paper.

The Steering Committee will meet again in **April 2025**.

Any queries or questions can be directed to **legislation@decyp.tas.gov.au**.