1. The James Cook University Council is the governing body of the University established by the *James Cook University Act 1997* (the Act).
2. Section 5 of the Act outlines the functions of the University which include providing education at university standard and courses of study or instruction (at the levels of achievement the council considers appropriate) to meet the needs of the community.
3. The Act provides that where the Council adopts a membership resolution in which the number stated for appointed members is greater than or less than the number stated for appointed members in the previous membership resolution, the Council must notify the Minister for Education six months before the earliest date of expiry of the terms of appointment of current members.
4. In October 2017, in accordance with section 22L of the Act, the Council adopted a resolution establishing a 15 member Council, including three members appointed by Governor in Council.
5. A vacancy exists on the Council due to the resignation of an appointed member.
6. Cabinet endorsed that Ms Donnella Mills be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as an appointed member to the James Cook University Council from the date of Governor in Council approval up to and including 19 April 2022.
7. Attachments

* Nil.