

## **SOCIAL ENVELOPE COMMITTEE-OF-CABINET TERMS OF REFERENCE**

### **AUTHORITY**

This Terms of Reference is established under the authority of the Executive Council (Cabinet) of the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT).

### **MANDATE**

The mandate of the Social Envelope Committee-of-Cabinet is to provide an interdepartmental focus to identify issues, track efforts, coordinate policy, and offer recommendations to Cabinet or the Financial Management Board with respect to the Government's focus on:

- (a) overall health and wellness of residents, including: mental health and addictions; seniors aging in place; family and community wellness; and, healthy lifestyles;
- (b) crime prevention and reduction;
- (c) safe and affordable housing and solutions to address homelessness;
- (d) improved nutrition and food security;
- (e) early childhood development and universal and affordable childcare;
- (f) K-12 and post-secondary education systems and institutions;
- (g) workforce training and development;
- (h) cultural education and Aboriginal languages;
- (i) youth leadership and capacity-building.

### **CHAIR**

The Honourable Glen Abernethy shall Chair the Social Envelope Committee-of-Cabinet. The Honourable Caroline Cochrane shall be the Vice-Chair.

### **COMPOSITION**

The Committee comprises the:

- Minister of Health and Social Services
- Minister Responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation
- Minister of Education, Culture and Employment
- Minister of Justice

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- Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs

All Members of the Executive Council have a standing invitation to attend Committee meetings.

**QUORUM**

The Chair or Vice-Chair and any two individuals appointed to the Committee, regardless of their portfolio assignments, will constitute a quorum.

**OPERATIONS**

The Committee:

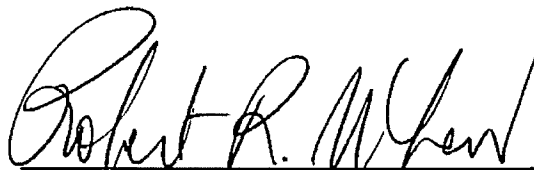
- (a) will remain informed of emerging issues and challenges related to the Committee's mandate;
- (b) may meet with standing committees of the Legislative Assembly, as appropriate, to ensure Members of the Legislative Assembly are made aware of and have an opportunity to provide meaningful input into discussions, reviews and proposals that fall within the Committee's mandate;
- (c) may establish meeting procedures and policies necessary to the Committee's operations;
- (d) will, following each meeting, submit for Cabinet's review, a summary of the Committee's discussions;
- (e) may be supported by a committee(s) of deputy ministers as established by the Secretary to Cabinet;
- (f) may, through the Committee Chair, and in accordance with Cabinet direction and established conventions, submit formal decision papers proposing specific actions for Cabinet's consideration and direction.

**OPERATIONAL SUPPORT**

The Office of Priorities & Planning, Department of Executive and Indigenous Affairs will provide the Committee with logistical, policy, and technical support. Cabinet Communications will provide communications support.

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Date



Chairman of the Executive Council