

**PARLIAMENTARY SEMINAR PROGRAMME - Wednesday 28 March 2018 - LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS**

**MORNING SESSION**

8.20-8.45	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>
8.50-9.00	<b>Introduction</b> <i>Darryl Stevens MNZM</i> <i>Chief Executive, NZBPT</i> <i>Peter Griffiths</i> <i>Chair, NZBPT</i>
9.00-9.25	<b>The Role of the Speaker</b> <i>Rt Hon Trevor Mallard MP</i> <i>Speaker of the House of Representatives</i> The role, duties and responsibilities of the Speaker.
9.30-10.15	<b>The Business of the House</b>
9.30-9.45	<i>Hon Ruth Dyson MP</i> <i>Chief Government Whip</i>
9.45-9.55	<i>Jami-Lee Ross MP</i> <i>Senior Opposition Whip</i> <i>Whips of the Government and Opposition; role of the Business Committee</i>
9.55-10.05	<i>David Wilson</i> <i>Clerk of the House</i> Causes and demands for legislation; types of business transacted in the House and the process of legislation. Questions
10.15-10.35	<b>Coffee/Tea</b>
10.35-11.00	<b>The Select Committee</b> <i>Hon Jacqui Dean MP</i> The role of Select Committees; making a submission; making the most of your time before a Select Committee
11.10-11.40	<b>Attendance at a Select Committee meeting</b>

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

11.45-12.10	<b>Exercising Government through Parliament</b> <i>TBC MP</i> <i>Prime Minister</i>  The role of the Prime Minister; demands and constraints; the role of the Executive; collective responsibility.
12.15-12.40	<b>The Opposition in Parliament</b> <i>Rt Hon Bill English MP</i> <i>Leader of the Opposition.</i>  The role of the Opposition. Opposition parties in the MMP environment; demands and constraints.
12.45-12.55	<b>Tour of the Debating Chamber and photograph</b>
1.00-1.50	<b>Lunch</b> Grand Hall - joined by Members of Parliament
2.00-2.30	<b>Observe Question time in the House</b> Speaker's Gallery
2.35-2.50	<b>Reporting Parliament</b> <i>Barry Soper</i> <i>Political Editor, Newstalk ZB</i> <i>Representative of the Press Gallery</i>  The role of the Press Gallery
2.55-3.10	<b>Parliamentary Service</b> <i>David Stevenson</i> <i>General Manager, Parliamentary Service</i> The role of Parliamentary Service

3.15-3.40	<b>MMP at Work</b> <i>David Seymour MP</i> <i>Leader of the ACT Party</i>  The role of political parties in the MMP environment in Parliament; effectiveness and limitations.
3.45-4.10	<b>The Cabinet Minister</b> <i>Hon Nanaia Mahuta MP</i>  The role of the Cabinet Minister; demands and constraints; a working week; relationships with officials; collective responsibility.
4.15-4.30	<b>Coffee/Tea</b>
4.30-5.10	<b>The Role of the Member of Parliament</b>
4.30-4.45	<i>Tamati Coffey MP</i>
4.45-5.00	<i>Andrew Falloon MP</i> Being a backbench MP in Parliament, pressure groups and lobbying; effectiveness and limitations of being a backbench MP.
5.00-5.10	Questions
5.10-5.15	<b>Conclusion &amp; Survey</b>
5.20-6.15	<b>Cocktail function - Speaker's Lounge</b>

