

Tree Protection (Advisory Panel) Appointment 2015 (No 1)

Disallowable Instrument DI2015 - 186

made under the

Tree Protection Act 2005, s 69 (Members of advisory panel)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 68 of the *Tree Protection Act 2005* (the Act) establishes the Tree Advisory Panel. Section 69 (1) of the Act provides for the appointment of 3 or more members by the Minister. Section 69 (2) provides for members' appointments to be for a term of at least 1 year and not longer than 2 years.

This instrument appoints Mr Richard Hart and Mr John Easthope as members of the Tree Advisory Panel from the day after its notification day for a period of 2 years.

Section 69 (3) of the Act provides that the Minister must not appoint a person to the Tree Advisory Panel unless the person has extensive experience in 1 or more of the fields of:

- (a) arboriculture;
- (b) forestry;
- (c) horticulture;
- (d) landscape architecture;
- (e) natural and cultural heritage.

Mr Hart has extensive experience in forestry. Mr Easthope has extensive experience as a Landscape Architect working in urban design.

Mr Hart and Mr Easthope are not public servants, and therefore division 19.3.3 of the *Legislation Act 2001* applies to their appointments.

Prior to making this appointment, the Minister consulted with the Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Planning, Environment and Territory and Municipal Services in accordance with section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001*.