



Communique

Date: Friday, 12 June 2026

Update from the Chair

Ms Spence advised that Dr Rachel Bacon and Harinder Sidhu have stepped down from the Council following their retirement from the public service. Ms Spence thanked both for their commitment to the work and wished them both the best with their retirement.

The Chair provided an overview of her recent update to the Secretaries Talent Council (STC) on the work of Council.

Future talent development approach

Members discussed the future approach to supporting talent pool development. Members explored opportunities to supplement the Council's individual development focus to include more shared development, reflecting the Council's broader shift to balance system priorities and individual needs and perspectives.

Round 10

Members discussed themes from the Round 10 cohort and insights from other assessments to date.

The next Council meeting is scheduled for 28 August 2026.