



Australian Government

Productivity Commission

This year the Productivity Commission is undertaking a review of remote area taxation concessions and payments.

This review focuses on three longstanding measures that provide support to individuals and businesses in remote areas, namely the:

- zone tax offset (ZTO)
- fringe benefit tax (FBT) remote area concessions
- Remote Area Allowance (RAA).

We are interested in the community's views on the rationale for these schemes, what is working well (or not so well) and what could be improved. We are also interested in hearing about:

- what it is like to live (and conduct business) in remote areas of Australia
- the cost of living in remote areas
- access to services in remote areas
- the ability to attract and retain labour in remote Australia.

The study is led by Jonathan Coppel and Paul Lindwall.

To inform our study, Commissioners and the study team will be visiting a number of regional communities over the coming month including Normanton.

Public forum in Normanton

Tuesday 2 April

10.30 am — 11.30 am

The Albion Hotel

Haigh Street Normanton

Information about the study, including our issues paper and our terms of reference, and how to make a submission or a brief comment can be found on our website

<https://www.pc.gov.au/inquiries/current/remote-tax>