**The Commission**

The Commission consists of a President and four Commissioners. Commissioners are appointed by the Government for a term of up to five years, and their appointment may be renewed. The President of the Commission, Mr. Justice John Quirke, is a former judge of the High Court. The full-time Commissioner, Raymond Byrne, is a barrister and was previously the Commission’s Director of Research. The three part-time Commissioners are: Ms Justice Carmel Stewart, Judge of the High Court, Professor Donncha O’Connell, School of Law NUI Galway and Mr Tom O’Malley, Barrister-at-law, and School of Law NUI Galway.

The Commission makes recommendations to Government on the content of a draft Programme of Law Reform, determines the contents of the research output of the Commission (contained in Consultation Papers, Issues Papers and Reports), and makes key administrative and financial decisions. The Commission meets formally as a body at least ten times each year.

**Management Committee**

The Commission’s Management Committee consisted of the full-time Commissioner, the Head of Administration, the Director of Research and the Access to Legislation Manager. The Management Committee meets on a regular basis to review all major issues relevant to the efficient and effective operation of the Commission. One of the principal responsibilities of the Committee is to monitor progress on achieving the targets set out in the Commission’s Annual Business Plan which is updated on a quarterly basis.