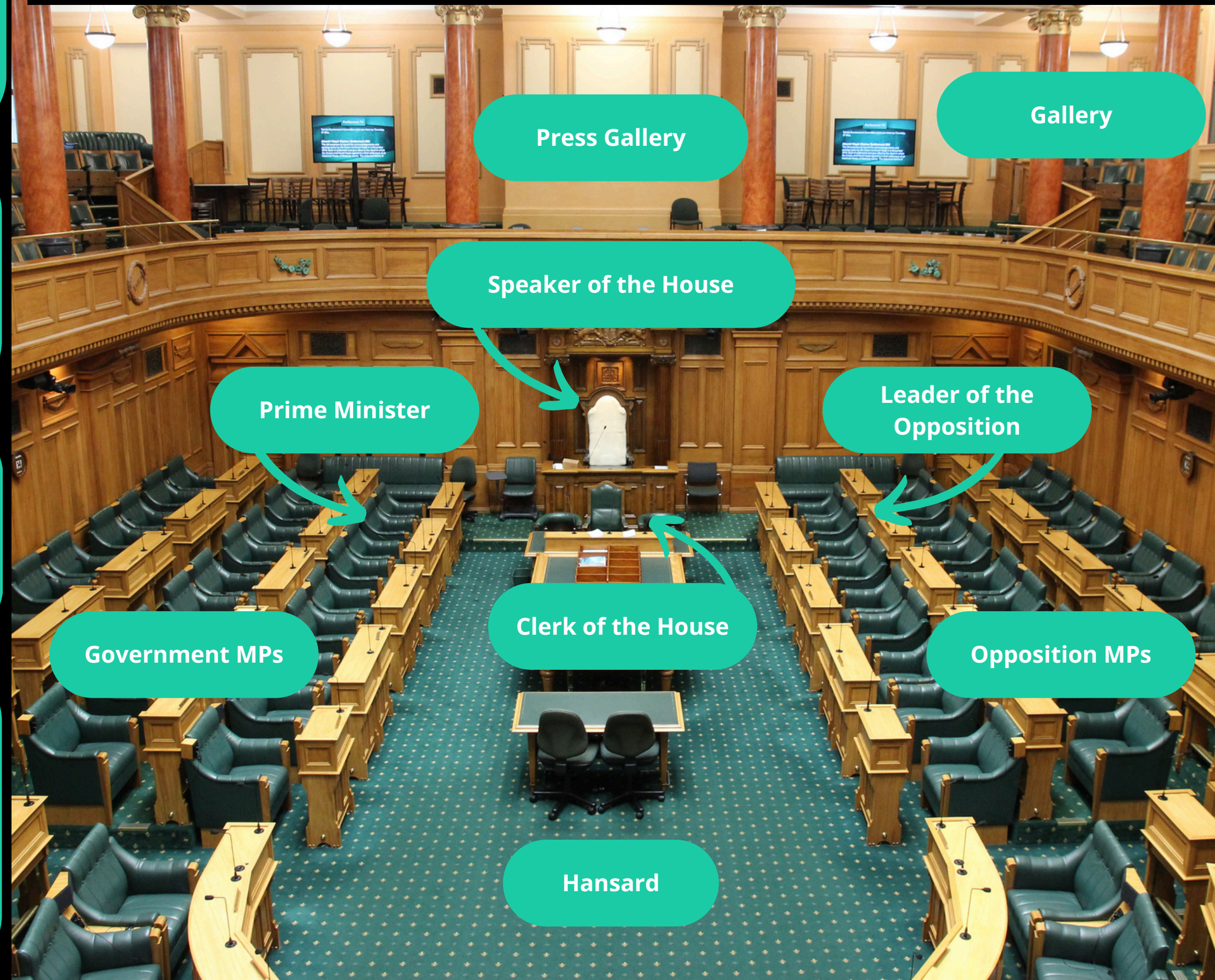


INSIDE THE DEBATING CHAMBER



Speaker of the House
The Speaker of the House is the referee of Parliament, making sure the MPs follow the rules.

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister sits 4 seats down from the Speaker. This is the best seat in the House to get the Speaker's attention.

Government MPs
The Government is the party or parties that have the majority of the seats in Parliament.

Clerk of the House
One of the Clerk's many jobs is to support the Speaker when they are making a decision - similar to the TMO referee during a game of rugby.

Press Gallery
Members of the press gallery watch from here and share what is happening with the public.

Gallery
You can watch Parliament meet in person. It is free of charge to book in.

Leader of the Opposition
This is the leader of the largest party in Opposition. They sit 4 seats down from the Speaker and opposite the Prime Minister.

Opposition MPs
The Opposition hold the Government to account. For example, by asking questions.

Hansard
Hansard is the official record of debate in the Debating Chamber. It is edited and published on the Parliament website.

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