



Cabinet External Relations and Security Committee

Minute of Decision

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Cross-Agency Business Case for a Public Reporting System for Concerning Behaviours and Incidents: Report Back

Portfolios **Government's Response to the Royal Commission's Report into the Terrorist Attack on the Christchurch Mosques / Police**

On 6 June 2023, the Cabinet External Relations and Security Committee (ERS):

- 1 **noted** that on 11 April 2022, Cabinet approved a s9(2)(f)(iv) contingency initiative *Reporting System for Concerning Behaviours and Incidents* for Vote Police, for inclusion in the 2022 Budget package [CAB-22-MIN-0129];
- 2 **noted** that on 3 August 2022, ERS agreed to go forward with investment in the new reporting system, and approved the drawdown of \$1.094 million in operating funding against the tagged contingency to develop a business case for the new system [ERS-22-MIN-0031];
- 3 **noted** that progressing a public reporting system for concerning behaviours and incidents forms part of the all-of-government response to the Report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Terrorist Attack on Christchurch Masjidain [CAB-20-MIN-0365];
- 4 **invited** the Lead Coordination Minister for the Government's Response to the Royal Commission's Report into the Terrorist Attack on the Christchurch Masjidain and the Minister of Police (the Ministers) to seek Cabinet's agreement to the final business case, and final draw down of funding for implementation, by the end of August 2023;
- 5 **noted** that the Ministers may seek funding in addition to the remaining tagged contingency for implementation of a preferred option, as part of the approvals process for the business case;

Financial implications

- 6 **noted** that, when approving the tagged contingency in April 2022, Cabinet agreed that drawdown for 2023/2024 would be subject to Cabinet approval of an Implementation Business Case [CAB-22-MIN-0129];
- 7 **noted** that, following Treasury advice, New Zealand Police is leading a cross-agency project to develop a Single Stage Business Case, which means that Police is not required to develop a separate Implementation Business Case;
- 8 **agreed** to draw down \$0.430 million in operating funding for 2023/24 from the *Reporting System for Concerning Behaviours and Incidents* tagged operating contingency to complete the Single Stage Business Case;

- 9 **agreed** to the following change to appropriations to give effect to the decision in paragraph 8 above, with the corresponding impact on the operating balance net debt:

	\$m – increase/(decrease)				
Vote Police Minister of Police	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27 & Outyears
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure Policing Services MCA <i>Departmental Output Expenses</i> - Crime Prevention (Funded by Revenue Crown)	-	0.430	-	-	-
Total Operating	-	0.4300	-	-	-

- 10 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations for 2023/24 above be included in the 2023/24 Supplementary Estimates and that, in the interim, the increase be met from Imprest Supply;
- 11 **agreed** that the expenses incurred above be charged against the *Reporting System for Concerning Behaviours and Incidents* tagged operating contingency;
- 12 **noted** that following the adjustments detailed above, the remaining balance of the *Reporting System for Concerning Behaviours and Incidents* tagged operating contingency will be as follows:

	\$m – increase/(decrease)				
Vote Police	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27 & Outyears
Reporting System for Concerning Behaviours and Incidents – Tagged Operating Contingency	-	s9(2)(f)(iv)			

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Rt Hon Chris Hipkins (Chair)
Hon Carmel Sepuloni
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Grant Robertson
Hon Michael Wood
Hon Andrew Little
Hon David Parker
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Hon Kieran McAnulty
Hon Ginny Andersen

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