



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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Enabling National Implementation of the New Zealand Police Tactical Response Model

Portfolio **Police**

On 14 December 2022, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1 **noted** that, following the murder of Constable Matthew Hunt in June 2020, and against an increasingly challenging policing environment, Police developed a Tactical Response Model to ensure frontline staff are trained, equipped, and supported to keep themselves and the communities they serve safer;
- 2 **noted** that in September 2021, the Cabinet Business Committee agreed in principle to the implementation of the Tactical Response Model, subject to consultation to refine the model, and approved operating funding of \$15.496 million from the 2021/22 between budget contingency in 2021/22 [CBC-21-MIN-0096];
- 3 **noted** that in April 2022, Cabinet:
 - 3.1 agreed to further investment totalling \$62.696 million (\$42.000 million operating and \$20.696 million capital) through the Budget 2022 Justice Cluster Package until June 2023 to begin implementing the Tactical Response Model in four Proof of Concept (PoC) Districts;
 - 3.2 agreed to establish a tagged operating contingency of up to the following amounts in Vote Police to provide for “Tactical Response Model – Increasing Frontline Safety”:

	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27 & Outyears
Tactical Response Model – Increasing Frontline Safety – Tagged Operating Contingency	-	40.940	40.620	40.990	40.990

- 3.3 agreed that drawdown post-2022/23 is contingent on Cabinet approval of a final implementation plan for a national roll-out and an update on the outcomes of the PoC;

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- 4 **noted** that an evaluation of the trial in the four PoC Districts by the Evidence Based Policing Centre confirmed it is achieving intended improvements in terms of safer staff, safer communities, and increased feelings of safety by frontline staff;

- 5 **noted** that, with some enhancements reflecting lessons learnt during the PoC trial, the Police Executive has endorsed the final design of the Tactical Response Model, as summarised in Appendix A of the submission under SWC-22-SUB-0245;
- 6 **approved** the implementation plan for national roll-out of the Tactical Response Model summarised in Appendix C of the submission under SWC-22-SUB-0245;
- 7 **approved** the following changes to appropriations to provide for the decision in paragraph 6 above, with a corresponding impact on the operating balance and net debt:

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)	-	13.537	13.432	13.554	13.554
Investigations and Case Resolution (funded by revenue Crown)	-	15.232	15.112	15.250	15.250
Policy Advice and Ministerial Services (funded by revenue Crown)	-	0.021	0.021	0.021	0.021
Primary Response Management (funded by revenue Crown)	-	12.150	12.055	12.165	12.165
Total Operating	-	40.940	40.620	40.990	40.990
Total Capital	-	-	-	-	-

- 8 **agreed** that the changes to appropriations for 2022/23 above be included in the 2022/23 Supplementary Estimates and that, in the interim, the increases are met from Imprest Supply;
- 9 **agreed** that the expenses incurred under paragraph 7 above be charged against the “Tactical Response Model – Increasing Frontline Safety” Tagged Operating Contingency described in paragraph 3.2 above;
- 10 **noted** that, following the adjustment detailed in paragraph 9 above, the “Tactical Response Model – Increasing Frontline Safety” Tagged Operating Contingency will be exhausted and can be closed.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Attendance (see over)

Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon Chris Hipkins
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Jan Tinetti
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Aupito William Sio
Hon Meka Whaitiri

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Office of the Chair
Officials Committee for SWC