

Report

Date: 18 November 2021 **Security Level:** BUDGET SENSITIVE

To: Hon Dr Megan Woods, Minister of Housing
Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Social Development and Employment

Lodgement of Cabinet paper: *Changes to housing support products and housing-related hardship assistance, and approval for additional short-term funding*

Purpose of the report

- 1 This report seeks your agreement to lodge the Cabinet paper: *Changes to housing support products and housing-related hardship assistance, and approval for additional short-term funding* for the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee meeting on Wednesday 24 November 2021.


Recommended actions

It is recommended that you:

- 1 **agree** that the attached Cabinet paper: *Changes to housing support products and housing-related hardship assistance, and approval for additional short-term funding* be lodged with Cabinet Office on 18 November 2021 for consideration at the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee on 24 November 2021.

Agree/Disagree

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Hon Dr Megan Woods
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You consulted with our Ministerial colleagues on the draft paper

- 2 On Wednesday 10 November 2021, the draft Cabinet paper was circulated to your Ministerial colleagues. Feedback was received from the Prime Minister's Office, outlined below.

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Departmental consultation supports the proposals

- 5 Feedback from government agencies on the draft Cabinet paper supported the proposals. Agency feedback was minor and has been incorporated in the final Cabinet paper.
- 6 Officials consulted with Ara Poutama – Department of Corrections, Department of Internal Affairs, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (Policy Advisory Group), Kāinga Ora, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry For Pacific Peoples, Oranga Tamariki – Ministry for Children, New Zealand Police, Te Puni Kōkiri, and the Treasury.

Lodgement of the Cabinet paper and next steps

- 7 Subject to your agreement, officials will lodge the attached Cabinet Paper today (18 November 2021) for consideration at the Social Wellbeing Committee meeting on 24 November 2021.

We have attached talking points (in **Appendix Two**) to support you at the Social Wellbeing Committee meeting.

Appendices

Appendix One: Cabinet paper: *Changes to housing support products and housing-related hardship assistance, and approval for additional short-term funding*

Appendix Two: Talking points to support you at the Social Wellbeing Committee meeting

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