



Cabinet Priorities Committee

Minute of Decision

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Housing and Urban Development: Progress and Next Steps

Portfolio **Housing and Urban Development**

On 12 February 2019, the Cabinet Priorities Committee:

- 1 **noted** the contents of the document under CPC-19-SUB-0002 and the discussion at the meeting on the government's housing priorities and the challenges ahead across the housing work programme;
- 2 **noted** that KiwiBuild is part of the suite of housing initiatives, but is not the answer everywhere or for every population group (for example, in high growth areas, the problem is housing supply whereas in low growth areas, there are broader issues around poverty, rental supply and incomes);
- 3 **noted** that a more regional approach was required to help address the demand for housing across the housing continuum, and that more needs to be done for the most vulnerable until the full programme takes effect;
- 4 **noted** that a number of initiatives were being progressed alongside KiwiBuild, and that a clear articulation and messaging was required in relation to the government's housing objectives and work programme;
- 5 **invited** the Minister of Housing and Urban Development to report back to the Cabinet Economic Development Committee with further advice on these issues, including:
 - 5.1 demand and supply data relating to public housing and transition and emergency housing, and information on the first home buyer pipeline;
 - 5.2 specific proposals to streamline and improve the KiwiBuild programme;
 - 5.3 initiatives that are being, or could be, progressed alongside KiwiBuild to address homelessness and the high levels of housing demand, and the potential choices and tradeoffs involved;
 - 5.4 initiatives that could be progressed as part of, or alongside, KiwiBuild to develop affordable rental homes.

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Committee Secretary

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Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern
Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Grant Robertson (part of item)
Hon Phil Twyford
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon Chris Hipkins
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (part of item)
Hon Dr David Clark (part of item)
Hon David Parker
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Hon Tracey Martin
Hon James Shaw

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
Treasury
State Services Commission
Ministry of Housing and Urban Development
Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
Ministry for the Environment

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