



Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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Urban Development Bill: Approval for Introduction

Portfolio **Urban Development**

On 2 December 2019, following reference from the Cabinet Legislation Committee, Cabinet:

- 1 **noted** that the Urban Development Bill s 9(2)(f)(iv)
- 2 **noted** that the purpose of the Bill is to facilitate urban development that contributes to sustainable, inclusive and thriving communities;
- 3 **noted** that in August 2018, Cabinet agreed that Kāinga Ora needs to provide a funding impact statement that outlines why and how various funding sources will be used to fund the capital and operations needs of a specified development project, and the amount of funding that is expected to be produced from each source [CAB-18-MIN-0399.01];
- 4 **rescinded** the decision referred to in paragraph 3;
- 5 **noted** that in April 2019, Cabinet agreed that Kāinga Ora cannot develop Right of First Refusal (RFR) land without the prior agreement of the Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and the Minister of Housing and Urban Development unless the relevant post-settlement governance entity has reached a formal agreement with Kāinga Ora in respect of that land [CAB-19-MIN-0168.01];
- 6 **noted** that while the ability for the Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and the Minister responsible for the administration of the Act to authorise development on RFR land without RFR holders' approval would ensure that Kāinga Ora can progress necessary housing and urban development, it may unreasonably limit the rights of RFR holders;
- 7 7.1 **rescinded** the decision referred to in paragraph 5 above;
- 7.2 **authorised** the Minister for Urban Development to amend the Bill to give effect to s 9(2)(h) and the rescinding of the decision referred to in paragraph 5 above;
- 8 **approved** the Urban Development Bill [PCO 19883] for introduction, **subject to** paragraph 7 above and to the final approval of the government caucuses and sufficient support in the House of Representatives;
- 9 **agreed** that the Bill be introduced on 4 December 2019;

- 10 **agreed** that the government propose that the Bill be referred to the Environment Committee for consideration.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet

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