



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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New Strategic Direction and Approach for the Refreshed Youth Plan

Portfolio **Youth**

On 28 June 2023, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1 **noted** in July 2020, SWC agreed to the *Youth Plan 2020-2022: Turning Voice into Action* and that a review of the Youth Plan be undertaken two years after its launch [SWC-20-MIN-0088];
- 2 **noted** in July 2020, Cabinet invited the Minister for Youth to report back to the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee on findings following the review of the Youth Plan [SWC-20-MIN-0088];
- 3 **noted** the Youth Plan review process, including a mapping exercise, literature review, and targeted engagement, have informed the direction and scope of the refreshed Youth Plan;
- 4 **agreed** to the strategic direction and approach of the refreshed Youth Plan attached as Appendix one under SWC-23-SUB-0084, which will focus on:
 - 4.1 the ‘involved and empowered’ outcome area of the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy by focusing on supporting youth voice and leadership to inform government decisions on initiatives that impact young people;
 - 4.2 an age group of 12-24-year-olds split into two cohorts (12-17-year-olds and 18-24-year-olds), which is based on common developmental stages of young people from adolescence to early adulthood but acknowledging that not every young person develops or goes through certain milestones or transitions at the same time;
 - 4.3 seven priority cohorts of young people who face higher rates of marginalisation, inequity, and threats to wellbeing when compared with the overall average: rangatahi Māori, Pacific young people, rainbow young people, disabled young people, young women, young people from ethnic communities (in particular, former refugees and recent migrants), and young people living in the regions;
- 5 **agreed** to the initial suite of actions attached as Appendix two under SWC-23-SUB-0084, which will give effect to the aims of the Youth Plan;
- 6 **authorised** the Minister for Youth to include new actions in the rolling suite of actions, following their agreement by relevant Ministers through the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy Ministerial Group;

- 7 **noted** that the refreshed Youth Plan will be divided into three interconnected documents, which include:
- 7.1 an overarching strategic framework document that sets the vision and direction of the Youth Plan for the next five years (Appendix one);
 - 7.2 a rolling suite of cross-government actions to give effect to the vision and strategic direction of the Youth Plan, which will be reviewed annually (Appendix two);
 - 7.3 a high-level measurement framework to guide how agencies will monitor the effectiveness of the rolling suite of actions, and to inform the development of any new actions that may require budget considerations (Appendix six);
- 8 **noted** that the Minister for Youth intends to publicly release the strategic direction framework document, initial suite of actions, and measurement framework;
- 9 **authorised** the Minister for Youth to approve minor editorial changes, design changes, and translations to the refreshed Youth Plan without further Cabinet approval;
- 10 **invited** the Minister for Youth to report back to SWC in 2024 with a comprehensive rolling suite of actions to give effect to the Youth Plan, some of which may require Budget considerations;
- 11 **invited** Ministers to discuss the Youth Plan with their agencies and encourage them to consider what actions they could contribute to give effect to the Youth Plan;

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon Jan Tinetti
Hon Kiri Allan
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan
Hon Barbara Edmonds
Hon Willow-Jean Prime
Hon Rino Tirkatene

Officials present from:

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Officials Committee for SWC