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Future Pathways for the Research, Science and Innovation System: Release of Discussion Document

Portfolio: Research, Science and Innovation

On 29 September 2021, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV):

1 noted that on 19 May 2021, DEV:
   1.1 agreed to the preparation of a green paper discussion document that will set out a range of options for possible reform, including the development of a system for establishing a clear set of national research priorities and ensuring the research institutions are equipped to deliver on those priorities;
   1.2 invited the Minister of Research, Science and Innovation to report back on the progress of the green paper;

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2 noted that the Future Pathways programme seeks to develop options to build a modern, fit for purpose, and future focused research system that is connected, adaptive and resilient;

3 noted that the proposed green paper is the first stage of this programme, does not pre-commit to any new initiatives or solutions, and seeks to start a wide ranging and deliberative conversation about the future of New Zealand’s research system;

4 agreed to the release of the document entitled Future Pathways: Green Paper on the Future of the New Zealand Research System (the Green Paper), attached to the submission under DEV-21-SUB-0193, for public consultation, subject to any minor or technical amendments that may be required;

5 noted that the Green Paper will be released in October 2021;

6 noted that the consultation period will run from October 2021 to February 2022;

7 invited the Minister of Research, Science and Innovation to report back to DEV by mid-2022 with the outcomes of consultation and any proposed policy changes.

Janine Harvey
Committee Secretary

Attendees: (see over)
Present:
Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon David Parker
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Hon Stuart Nash
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Willie Jackson
Hon Michael Wood
Hon Dr David Clark
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Phil Twyford
Rino Tirikatene, MP
Deborah Russell, MP

Officials present from:
Office of the Prime Minister
Officials Committee for DEV