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Minister	Hon Michael Wood	Portfolio	Workplace Relations and Safety
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List of documents that have been proactively released		
Date	Title	Author
August 2022	<i>Sustainable funding for Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers in Workplace Relations and Safety</i>	<i>Office of the Minister of Workplace Relations and Safety</i>
10 August 2022	<i>Sustainable funding for Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers in Workplace Relations and Safety</i> <i>DEV-22-MIN-0187 Minute</i>	<i>Cabinet Office</i>

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- Confidential advice to Government



Cabinet Economic Development Committee

Minute of Decision

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Workplace Relations and Safety Portfolio: Sustainable Funding for Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers

Portfolio **Workplace Relations and Safety**

On 10 August 2022, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee:

- 1 **noted** that the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) has identified a shortfall in policy advice funding for the Workplace Relations and Safety portfolio in 2022/23 and outyears;
- 2 **noted** that MBIE has identified an option to reallocate an underspend of up to \$1.200 million from the *Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services* appropriation in 2021/22, to the Policy Advice MCA in Workplace Relations and Safety portfolio in 2022/23, which would partially cover the structural shortfall in this appropriation;
- 3 **noted** that this underspend was returned to the centre on 30 June 2022;
- 4 **approved** an increase of up to \$1.200 million to the Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers - Workplace Relations and Safety category of the Policy Advice and Related Services to Ministers MCA in Vote Labour Market in 2022/23;
- 5 **noted** that the increase to the appropriation referred to in paragraph 4 above is matched by the returned underspend in the *Workplace Relations and Safety - Employment Relations Services* appropriation;
- 6 **authorised** the Minister of Finance and the Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety jointly to agree the final increase to the appropriation referred to in paragraph 4 above, following the completion of the 2021/22 audited financial statements, with no impact on the operating balance and/or net core Crown debt across the forecast period;
- 7 Confidential advice to Government

Janine Harvey
Committee Secretary

Present: (see over)

Present:

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon David Parker
Hon Damien O'Connor
Hon Willie Jackson
Hon Michael Wood
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Phil Twyford
Hon Kieran McAnulty
Dr Deborah Russell MP

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister
Officials Committee for DEV