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## Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

### Minute of Decision

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# Seeking In-principle Agreement to the Development of Pay Transparency Legislation

Portfolio Women / Associate Workplace Relations and Safety

On 5 April 2023, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee (SWC):

- **noted** that in October 2022, SWC agreed that the policy development of a pay transparency regime should commence, and invited the responsible Ministers to submit a paper to SWC in due course seeking policy decisions [SWC-22-MIN-0174];
- 2 **noted** the preference of the Minister for Women and the Associate Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety (responsible Ministers) to take a legislative approach to pay transparency;
- 3 **noted** that, in designing the proposed legislative framework, officials will consider the following elements:
  - 3.1 mandatory pay gap reporting for businesses over a certain size;
  - 3.2 requirement of actions to address pay gaps;
  - 3.3 enforcement of pay transparency requirements;
  - 3.4 other elements that officials consider relevant;
- 4 **invited** responsible Ministers to:
  - 4.1 develop further policy recommendations on the scope and content of pay transparency legislation;
  - 4.2 report back to Cabinet by 30 June 2023 with developed policy proposals for pay transparency legislation.

Rachel Clarke Committee Secretary

Attendance (see over)

### IN CONFIDENCE

#### Present:

Rt Hon Chris Hipkins Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair) Hon Kelvin Davis Hon Grant Robertson Hon Dr Megan Woods Hon Jan Tinetti Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall Hon Willie Jackson Hon Kiri Allan Hon Peeni Henare Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan Hon Kieran McAnulty Hon Ginny Andersen Hon Barbara Edmonds Hon Willow-Jean Prime Hon Rino Tirikatene Jo Luxton, MP

### Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister Office of the Chair Officials' Committee for SWC