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Minister	Hon Matt Doocey	Portfolio	Tourism and Hospitality
Title of Cabinet paper	Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Amount	Date to be published	9 September 2024

List of documents that have been proactively released

Date	Title	Author
July 2024	Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Amount	Office of the Minister for Tourism and Hospitality
29 July 2024	Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism CAB-24-MIN-0274 Minute	Cabinet Office
17 July 2024	Cost Recovery Impact Statement: Review of the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy	MBIE
17 July 2024	2425-0330 Approval of Cabinet paper Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Amount for lodgement	MBIE
1 July 2024	2324-3970 Ministerial Consultation on International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Final Proposed Changes	MBIE
20 June 2024	2324-3462 Policy decisions for the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy 2024 – outcome of consultation and next steps	MBIE

Information redacted

YES / NO

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BRIEFING

Ministerial consultation on International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Final Changes

Date:	1 July 2024	Priority:	High
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	2324-3970

Action sought		
	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Matt Dooney Minister for Tourism and Hospitality	Agree to forward the draft Cabinet Paper and its annexes to your Ministerial colleagues by Wednesday 3 July for any feedback before Wednesday 17 July 2024.	3 July 2024

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)			
Name	Position	Telephone	1st contact
Danielle McKenzie	Manager, Tourism Stewardship and Systems	Privacy of natural persons	✓
Adele Lonergan	Policy Advisor		

The following departments/agencies have been consulted
The Treasury, Department of Conservation

Minister's office to complete:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Approved | <input type="checkbox"/> Declined |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Noted | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs change |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seen | <input type="checkbox"/> Overtaken by Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> See Minister's Notes | <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn |

Comments



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Purpose

To provide you an updated version of the Cabinet paper, Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Amount, and its annexes for you to circulate to your Ministerial colleagues for feedback.

Recommended action

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment recommends that you:

- a **Note** you recently provided feedback on the draft Cabinet paper Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy Amount and we have amended the Cabinet paper to reflect your feedback.

Noted

Legal professional privilege



- d **Agree** to forward the draft Cabinet paper and its annexes to your Ministerial colleagues by Wednesday 3 July 2024 for any feedback before Wednesday 17 July 2024.

Agree / Disagree

- e **Note** following agency and Ministerial consultation, the papers will be updated and lodged for Cabinet Economic Policy Committee (ECO) for consideration on Wednesday, 24 July 2024.

Noted

Danielle McKenzie
Manager, Tourism Stewardship and Systems
Labour, Science and Enterprise, MBIE

1 / 7 / 2024

Hon Matt Doocoy
Minister for Tourism and Hospitality

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Background

1. You recently provided feedback on a draft Cabinet paper Final Decisions on the International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL) Amount [Briefing 2324-3462 refers].
2. We have amended the Cabinet paper based on your feedback to include the following:
 - a. an updated table of the visitor-related costs for air travellers, with the most up-to-date figures for the different border charges¹; and
 - b. an updated table of international examples of tourism taxes and levies, including comparisons with Australia, Canada, United Kingdom and Schengen Area countries in European Union.
3. We have consulted on the draft Cabinet Paper with both the Department of Conservation and the Treasury. We have not yet undertaken wider departmental consultation and that will now take place at the same time as Ministerial consultation, due to timing constraints.

Consultation timeline

4. The following table sets out the high-level timeline for finalising the Cabinet paper. We have discussed this timeline with your office.

Date (2024)	Item
Wednesday 3 July – Wednesday 17 July	Ministerial and agency consultation of draft Cabinet paper. Feedback incorporated into final documents.
Thursday 18 July	Cabinet paper lodgement
Wednesday 24 July	Consideration at ECO
Monday 29 July	Cabinet ratify decision by ECO

The Minister of Conservation may opt to make technical financial additions to the Cabinet paper

5. The Department of Conservation (DOC) has advised us that the Minister of Conservation may opt to include technical financial additions to the Cabinet paper during the Ministerial consultation process. These additions would:
 - a. seek Cabinet approval to establish an annual appropriation for IVL Conservation funding, and
 - b. seek Cabinet authorisation of retention of underspends for the new appropriation.
6. The Treasury, MBIE and DOC consider these additions to be ‘minor and technical’ changes and therefore do not need to be included in the version of the Cabinet paper for Ministerial consultation. However, their inclusion would make the Cabinet paper a joint paper requiring final sign-off from both you and the Minister of Conservation prior to lodgement.

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¹ Note this includes some figures that are set to be discussed by Cabinet on Monday, 1 July 2024.

Next steps

11. Agency consultation will occur concurrently to Ministerial consultation, and we will work closely with your office on any changes arising from consultation.
12. Once finalised, the Cabinet paper and its annexes will be lodged for Cabinet Economic Policy Committee for consideration on Wednesday, 24 July 2024.
13. We will also prepare talking points to support your presentation of the decisions at ECO.

Annexes

Annex One: Draft Cabinet paper

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Attached as a separate document.