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Minister	Hon Casey Costello	Portfolio	Associate Immigration
Title of Cabinet paper	Establishing a permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship (CORS) pathway	Date to be published	4 August

List of documents that have been proactively released

Date	Title	Author
22 April 2026	Establishing a permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship (CORS) visa category	Office of the Associate Minister of Immigration
22 April 2026	SOU-26-MIN-0037 Minute of Decision - Establishing a permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship visa category	Cabinet Social Outcomes Committee
17 June 2026	Establishing a Permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship (CORS) pathway	Office of the Associate Minister of Immigration
17 June 2026	Appendix One: Key policy settings carried over from the Pilot	Office of the Associate Minister
17 June 2026	ECO-26-MIN-0102 Minute of Decision - Establishing a Permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship (CORS) Pathway	Cabinet Economic Policy Committee
25 November 2025-9 June 2026	Briefings regarding establishing a permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship (CORS) pathway	MBIE

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Cabinet Social Outcomes Committee

Minute of Decision

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Establishing a Permanent Community Organisation Refugee Sponsorship Visa Category

Portfolio **Associate Immigration (Hon Casey Costello)**

On 22 April 2026, the Cabinet Social Outcomes Committee **deferred** consideration of the paper under SOU-26-SUB-0037, with the paper to be updated in light of the discussion at the meeting.

Tom Kelly
Committee Secretary

Present:

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Hon Scott Simpson
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