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All of Government Employment Strategy and Youth Employment Action Plan

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On 5 August 2019, following reference from the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee (SWC), Cabinet:

Employment Strategy and Youth Employment Action Plan

1 noted an all-of-Government Employment Strategy (the Strategy), attached as Appendix 1 to the submission under CAB-19-SUB-0385, has been prepared to present the government’s overall vision for a more productive and inclusive labour market;

2 noted that the Strategy highlights that population groups experiencing persistently poorer labour market outcomes (young people, disabled people, Māori, Pacific peoples, older workers and job seekers, refugees, recent migrants and ethnic communities) require specific attention and the Strategy sets out a roadmap for a series of Action Plans with work programmes for improving labour market outcomes for those groups;

3 noted that a Youth Employment Action Plan, attached as Appendix 2 to the submission under CAB-19-SUB-0385, has been prepared for release alongside the Employment Strategy, setting out actions for government agencies to undertake to build on and improve New Zealand’s pipeline of education, training and employment systems;

4 approved the release of the Strategy and Youth Employment Action Plan;

5 authorised the Minister of Employment to make minor changes to the Strategy and Action Plan documents before their release;

6 agreed that the Minister of Employment will provide overarching stewardship of the Employment Strategy;

7 noted that the Labour Market Ministers Group (the Group)\(^1\) will be used to test work as it is developed under the Action Plans across Ministerial portfolios represented in the Group;

\(^1\) This includes the Ministers for Workplace Relations and Safety, Immigration, Employment, Research, Science and Innovation, Education, Social Development and Seniors, plus the Ministers of Economic Development and Regional Economic Development or on as needs basis.
8 invited the Minister of Employment to report to SWC:

8.1 by the end of December 2019 on progress in implementing the Youth Employment Action Plan;

8.2 at six monthly intervals on progress, following the December report;

9 invited the Minister for Social Development to report to SWC in October 2019 with a draft Action Plan for unlocking the employment potential of people with poor health and disabilities for consultation later in the year;
Martin Bell
for Secretary of the Cabinet

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