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Severe Weather Events: Situation Update

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Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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Additional Item: Severe Weather Events: Situation Update

Portfolio **Emergency Management**

On 21 June 2021, Cabinet:

- 1 **noted** that a localised violent tornado occurred in Papatotoe on Saturday morning, 19 June 2021, resulting in one fatality and damage to around 246 houses, of which 62 properties have initially been deemed uninhabitable;
- 2 **noted** that the Acting Minister for Emergency Management has announced a government contribution of \$100,000 towards a Mayoral relief fund to support Auckland communities impacted by the Papatoetoe tornado;
- 3 **authorised** the Minister for Emergency Management, the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance to take decisions on providing additional funding of up to another \$100,000 to the Auckland Mayoral relief fund to support communities impacted by the tornado;
- 4 **noted** the update from the Acting Minister for Emergency Management on the recovery in the Canterbury region which was affected by severe flooding on 19-21 May 2021;
- 5 **authorised** the Minister for Emergency Management, the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Agriculture to take further decisions on the flood recovery in the Canterbury region, including providing additional funding of up to another \$100,000 to a Canterbury Mayoral relief fund to support those impacted by the floods in Canterbury;
- 6 **noted** that over the weekend of 19 June 2021 there was also heavy rainfall in the Tairāwhiti region, with localised flooding and damage to roads; and that officials are keeping a watching brief on the situation.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet