

#### **Proactive Release**

The following document has been proactively released by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC):

**Oral Item: Regional Response Structures** 

The following documents have been included in this release:

**Title of minute:** Oral Item: Regional Response Structures (EWR-23-MIN-0008 refers)

Title of minute: Report of the Cabinet Extreme Weather Recovery Committee: Period Ended

10 March 2023 (CAB-23-MIN-0069)

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# Cabinet Extreme Weather Recovery Committee

#### Minute of Decision

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**Oral Item: Regional Response Structures** 

Portfolio Cyclone Recovery

On 7 March 2023, the Cabinet Extreme Weather Recovery Committee (EWR), exercising its Power to Act in accordance with its terms of reference:

- noted that on 27 February 2023, EWR directed the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC) to coordinate, with the regional Ministerial leads (Regional Ministers), advice for consideration by EWR on 7 March 2023 on the proposed regional structures, including advice on the administration support that may be required [EWR-23-MIN-0001];
- 2 **noted** the updates provided by the Regional Ministers on the development of their respective proposed regional structures;
- agreed in principle to the regional structures proposed for Hawke's Bay, Tairāwhiti, Auckland and Coromandel, subject to the final details being approved by the Minister for Cyclone Recovery and the further report referred to in paragraph 5 below;
- 4 **noted** the desire of the Regional Minister for Tairāwhiti that Te Rau Kupenga be appointed as the independent response commissioner for that region;
- directed DPMC, in consultation with the Regional Ministers and other relevant agencies, to submit a paper to EWR on 14 March 2023 with advice on:
  - 5.1 the regional structures proposed for the other affected regions (Northland, Bay of Plenty, Waikato, and Tararua and Wairarapa);
  - an appropriate process for a contingency fund for the regional structures;
  - 5.3 whether the recovery management processes and structures being proposed for each regional structure are consistent with the legislative functions and responsibilities prescribed under the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002, including the role of Recovery Managers under that Act.

Janine Harvey Committee Secretary

Present: (see below)

#### Present:

Rt Hon Chris Hipkins

Hon Kelvin Davis

Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)

Hon Dr Megan Woods

Hon Michael Wood

Hon Willie Jackson

Hon Kiri Allan

Hon Stuart Nash

Hon David Parker

Hon Nanaia Mahuta

Hon Kieran McAnulty Hon Barbara Edmonds

Hon Meka Whaitiri

#### Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister Officials Committee for EWR Chair of the Taskforce





### **Cabinet**

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## Report of the Cabinet Extreme Weather Recovery Committee: Period Ended 10 March 2023

On 13 March 2023, Cabinet made the following decisions on the work of the Cabinet Extreme Weather Recovery Committee for the period ended 10 March 2023: **Oral Item: Regional Response Structures** EWR-23-MIN-0008 **CONFIRMED** Portfolio: Cyclone Recovery

