



# Cabinet Economic Growth and Infrastructure Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### ChristChurch Cathedral : Crown Response to the Working Group

Portfolio                      Greater Christchurch Regeneration

On 14 December 2016, the Cabinet Economic Growth and Infrastructure Committee:

- 1        **noted** that the Working Group to Investigate the Reinstatement of the ChristChurch Cathedral (the Working Group) has recommended that the Church Property Trustees and the Government proceed with a reinstatement option for ChristChurch Cathedral;
- 2        **noted** that, in summary, the Working Group recommends that the Government should:
  - 2.1      enter into a partnership with the Church Property Trust to procure and deliver a sequenced reinstatement of ChristChurch Cathedral;
  - 2.2      consider a capital contribution for the project, along with a limited credit support facility to smooth project cash flow; and
  - 2.3      enact legislation to establish an independent Fundraising Trust and enable consents and approvals so the project can start without delay;
- 3        **noted** that parameters for negotiation are required to enable the Minister supporting Greater Christchurch Regeneration to enter into negotiations with the Church Property Trust;
- 4        **agreed** to a one-off Crown contribution of \$10 million for the reinstatement of ChristChurch Cathedral to assist with commencing the reinstatement project, addressing the funding gap and to incentivise wider philanthropic and public fundraising;
- 5        [REDACTED]
- 6        [REDACTED]
- 7        **agreed** to a limited credit facility of \$15 million that is repayable on completion of fundraising for the reinstatement project, subject to finalisation of terms;
- 8        [REDACTED]

- 9 **authorised** the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance and the Minister supporting Greater Christchurch Regeneration to jointly approve the establishment of any new appropriations required to give effect to paragraphs 4 to 8 above;
- 10 **authorised** the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance and the Minister supporting Greater Christchurch Regeneration to jointly approve the model and conditions for releasing any funding in the new appropriation, and the year(s) such funding is to be released;
- 11 **noted** that the Minister supporting Greater Christchurch Regeneration intends to begin cross-party engagement on the approach to proposed legislation;
- 12 **authorised** the Prime Minister, the Minister of Finance, and the Minister supporting Greater Christchurch Regeneration to make any other interim decisions that are required before Cabinet meets in 2017.

Gerrard Carter  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon Gerry Brownlee  
Hon Steven Joyce (Chair)  
Hon Amy Adams  
Hon Simon Bridges  
Hon Dr Nick Smith  
Hon Nathan Guy  
Hon Michael Woodhouse  
Hon Peseta Sam Lotu-Iiga  
Hon Maggie Barry  
Hon Craig Foss  
Hon Jo Goodhew  
Hon Nicky Wagner  
Hon Louise Upston  
Hon Paul Goldsmith

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Deputy Chief Executive, Policy, DPMC  
Melleny Black, PAG, DPMC

**Officials present from:**

Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
Office of the Minister supporting Greater Christchurch  
Regeneration  
Office of the Minister of Local Government  
Officials Committee for EGI