



## Proactive Release

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### **Quarter Three (2025) Plan**

The following documents have been included in this release:

**Title of paper:** Quarter Three (2025) Plan (CAB-25-SUB-0214 refers)

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Office of the Prime Minister

Chair, Cabinet

## **QUARTER THREE (2025) PLAN**

### **Proposal**

1. This paper agrees the Coalition Government's plan for Quarter Three of 2025 to continue to focus our efforts and signal the improvements we intend to deliver for New Zealanders.

### **Quarter Three Plan**

2. To advance our shared work programme, we have agreed to identify a set of actions that will be delivered in each quarter (CAB-24-MIN-0079). Our government continues to ensure that efforts are focussed on our priority areas by agreeing a plan with specific actions, proposed dates, and regular reporting.
3. I am asking Cabinet to agree to a proposed Quarter Three Plan (Q3 Plan) set out in the Appendix. It will run from 1 July to 30 September 2025. As with our other quarterly plans it includes the key next steps and lead portfolio for commitments across our three priority areas: rebuilding the economy and easing the cost of living, restoring law and order, and delivering better public services.

### **Implementation**

4. As with the previous quarterly plans, the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (DPMC), in consultation with ministers and agencies, will report regularly to Cabinet on progress against the actions. There will continue to be more frequent reporting to me on an exception basis where there are concerns about delivery. DPMC will continue to convene the agencies responsible for delivering the quarterly plans to ensure traction and alignment between ministers and the public service.

### **Implications**

5. This paper has no direct financial or legislative implications. Any financial implications associated with delivering these commitments will need to be managed through our usual fiscal sustainability and Budget processes, to avoid further pressure on our constrained fiscal position. Agencies responsible for the delivery of the commitments will need to provide reprioritisation, delivery and phasing options. Legislative implications, and regulatory impact analysis will be considered as part of the policy development process for each of the commitments.

### **Consultation and communications**

6. DPMC drafted this paper. Departments were consulted on the matters relevant to them. I consulted with ministers responsible for commitments in the Q3 Plan and with coalition partners. No external resources were used in producing this paper.

7. I plan to announce the commitments in the Q3 Plan in the coming days. I intend to proactively release this paper and the Cabinet minute, subject to any necessary redactions, within 30 business days of Cabinet's decisions.

### **Recommendations**

8. The Prime Minister recommends that Cabinet:
  1. Agree to the Coalition Government's Quarter Three Plan to deliver better outcomes for New Zealanders, as set out in the Appendix;
  2. Agree to the lead portfolios and actions for each commitment, as set out in the Appendix;
  3. Note that the Prime Minister intends to announce the decisions in this paper in the coming days.

Authorised for lodgement

Rt Hon Christopher Luxon  
Prime Minister

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Quarterly plan – Q3 2025

#	Rebuilding the economy	Portfolio	Minister
1	Announce next steps to improve supermarket competition.	Commerce	Willis
2	Take Cabinet policy decisions on changes to earthquake prone building requirements.	Building and Construction	Penk
3	Publish the first standards allowing the use of more high-quality overseas building products in New Zealand.	Building and Construction	Penk
4	Finalise Export Exemptions Regulations under the Food Act.	Food Safety	Hoggard
5	Take Cabinet decisions to approve regulations enabling open banking.	Commerce	Simpson
6	Repeal the ban on offshore oil and gas exploration.	Resources	Jones
7	Launch a one-off Major Events fund to further boost international visitor numbers and drive economic growth.	Tourism	Upston
8	Pass the Resource Management (Consenting and Other System Changes) Amendment Bill to provide resource management system improvements and enable housing growth in our largest cities.	RMA Reform	Bishop
9	Take decisions on the Skilled Migrant Category visa to attract and retain skilled and experienced trades and technicians.	Immigration	Stanford
10	Establish two new Public Research Organisations (Institute for Bioeconomy Science and Institute for Earth Science).	Science and Technology	Reti
11	Take Cabinet decisions on the first Housing Investment Strategy to improve value for money from Government investment in the housing system.	Housing	Bishop
12	Introduce legislation on Auckland Transport to strengthen governance and planning arrangements.	Transport	Bishop
13	Pass the Public Works (Critical Infrastructure) Amendment Bill, to streamline the land acquisition process for major infrastructure projects.	Transport	Bishop
14	Pass legislation to ratify the New Zealand – United Arab Emirates Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement.	Trade & Investment	McClay
#	Restoring law and order	Portfolio	Minister
15	Introduce legislation to support the timeliness, efficiency, integrity and resilience of the electoral system, and introduce a ban on prisoner voting.	Justice	Goldsmith
16	Progress legislation to make stalking an illegal and jailable offence.	Justice	Goldsmith
17	Progress legislation to specifically criminalise foreign interference and strengthen espionage offences.	Justice	Goldsmith

18	Take Cabinet decisions on legislation to affirm Police's authority to collect, use and retain information about individuals in public places for lawful policing purposes.	Police	Mitchell
19	Begin the delivery of rehabilitation and reintegration services to remand prisoners.	Corrections	Mitchell
20	Take Cabinet decisions to strengthen border and supply chain security.	Customs	Costello
21	Introduce legislation to deter anti-social road use.	Transport	Bishop
#	<b>Delivering better public services</b>	<b>Portfolio</b>	<b>Minister</b>
22	Provide the Government's response to the Education Review Office's report into NCEA Level 1.	Education	Stanford
23	Begin delivery of a 21,000 increase in elective procedures like hip replacements and cataract surgery in 2025/26, with over 215,000 procedures planned to help more Kiwis access life-changing procedures faster.	Health	Brown
24	Open expression of interest for 120 nurse practitioner training places, as part of the Primary Care Action Plan.	Health	Brown
25	Implement the largest-ever annual funding increase for GP clinics, to help more Kiwis access the primary care they need, sooner.	Health	Brown
26	Introduce the Education and Training (Early Childhood Education Reform) Amendment Bill, to give effect to the ECE Regulation Sector Review.	Associate Education	Seymour
27	Implement the first prototypes for the expansion of Urgent and Unplanned care rollout for rural and remote areas.	Associate Health	Doocey
28	Take key policy decisions to tighten benefits eligibility for 18- and 19-year-olds.	Social Development	Upston

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## Minute of Decision

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### Quarter Three (2025) Plan

**Portfolio**                      **Prime Minister**

On 30 June 2025, Cabinet:

- 1        **agreed** to the Coalition Government’s Quarter Three Plan for 2025 (the Q3 Plan) to deliver better outcomes for New Zealanders, as set out in the Appendix to the paper under CAB-25-SUB-0214, updated in light of the discussion at Cabinet;
- 2        **agreed** to the lead portfolios and actions for each commitment, as set out in the Appendix;
- 3        **noted** that the Prime Minister intends to announce the commitments outlined in the Q3 Plan.

Rachel Hayward  
Secretary of the Cabinet

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