



# Cabinet

## Minute of Decision

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### Additional Item: New Zealand's Positive Ageing Strategy: Update

**Portfolio**                      **Seniors**

On 12 February 2018, Cabinet:

- 1        **noted** the briefing from the Minister for Seniors on the issues concerning the New Zealand Positive Ageing Strategy, which was developed in 2001, and the need for the Strategy to be updated;
- 2        **agreed** that the Positive Ageing Strategy progress report due in 2018 be cancelled;
- 3        **agreed** to the development of a new strategy for New Zealand's older population during 2018;
- 4        **noted** that the Minister for Seniors intends to submit a paper to the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee in May 2018 seeking agreement to a consultation plan and to the release of a public discussion document on the development of a new strategy;
- 5        **noted** the advice of the Minister for Seniors that the World Health Organisation established the Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities in 2005 to support cities, communities and countries to become more age friendly;
- 6        **agreed** that the Office for Seniors (through the Ministry of Social Development) progress New Zealand's application for affiliate membership of the WHO Global Network in 2018.

Michael Webster  
Secretary of the Cabinet

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