

Coversheet

Mitigating the Social Impacts of COVID-19

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These documents have been proactively released.

11 June 2020, Cabinet paper – Mitigating the Social Impacts of COVID-19

11 June 2020, Aide-mémoire – Minister Sepuloni - Mitigating the Social Impacts of COVID-19

17 June 2020, Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee Minute SWC-20-MIN-0076, Cabinet Office

In June 2020, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee considered the anticipated and emerging impacts on COVID-19, including the population groups likely to be affected. The proactive release of the Cabinet paper and related documents help to show how the Government is preparing for and mitigating these social impacts.

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The following document that accompanied/relates to the Cabinet paper is scheduled to be made public:

 Rapid Evidence Review of the immediate and medium-term social and psychosocial impacts of COVID-19, in May 2020 an All of Government Rapid Evidence Review was undertaken to understand and prepare for the social impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Review was led by the Ministry of Social Development in consultation with other agencies, and is due to be released on the Ministry of Social Development's website.

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