



# Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### The Children and Young People's Commission Organisational Model

**Portfolio**                      **Social Development and Employment**

On 10 May 2023, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1        **noted** that the Office of the Children's Commissioner (OCC) will transition to become a new independent Crown entity, the Children and Young People's Commission (the Commission), commencing 1 July 2023 in accordance with the Children and Young People's Commission Act 2022;
- 2        **noted** that under the Children and Young People's Commission Act 2022, the Commission will be responsible for expanded legislative functions related to advocacy for children and young people and new duties relating to its relationships with Māori;
- 3        **noted** that new organisational arrangements are required to establish the Commission and deliver on the duties and functions outlined in the Children and Young People's Commission Act 2022;
- 4        **noted** that as part of Budget 2023 decisions, Cabinet approved sufficient funding to provide a full-time Chief Children's Commissioner, four part-time commissioners and additional support staff, as well as funding for the transition to the new Commission [CAB-23-MIN-0139];
- 5        **endorsed** the implementation of Model 2 organisational model, as set out in the paper under SWC-23-SUB-0044, which aligns with Budget 2023 funding decisions for 2023/24;
- 6        **noted** that the Model 2 organisational model and funding will enable the Commission to successfully deliver on its duties and functions under the Act and provide for the diversity of backgrounds and perspectives in the Commission
- 7        **noted** that Budget 2023 also provides tagged contingency of \$7.756m each year from 2024/25 and outyears, subject to the Minister for Social Development and Employment and the Minister of Finance's satisfaction with the implementation of the agreed Model.

Rachel Clarke  
Committee Secretary

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**Attendance (see over)**

**Present:**

Rt Hon Chris Hipkins  
Hon Grant Robertson (Chair)  
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall  
Hon Willie Jackson  
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan  
Hon Kieran McAnulty  
Hon Ginny Andersen  
Hon Barbara Edmonds  
Hon Rino Tirikatene  
Hon Dr Deborah Russell

**Officials present from:**

Office of the Prime Minister  
Office of the Chair  
Officials Committee for SWC