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Changes to Hardship Assistance Access Requirements for People in Need

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Changes to Hardship Assistance Access Requirements Package

These documents have been proactively released.

Cabinet minute confirmed on 1 July 2019.

- 8 May 2019, Minute of Decision, Oral Item: Rescinding Compulsory Budgeting Steps for Recipients of Multiple Hardship Grants – Cabinet Office
- 13 May 2019, Minute of Decision, Oral Item: Rescinding Compulsory Budgeting Steps for Recipients of Multiple Hardship Grants – Cabinet Office
- 26 June 2019, Cabinet Paper, Changes to Hardship Assistance Access Requirements for People in Need – Office of the Minister for Social Development
- 26 June 2019, Minute of Decision, Changes to Hardship Assistance Access Requirements for People in Need – Cabinet Office
- 1 July 2019, Minute of Decision, Report of the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee: Period Ended 28 June 2019 – Cabinet Office

The Changes to Hardship Assistance Access Requirements Package contains documents relating to decisions around requiring people who have received three or more grants of hardship assistance within 12 months to complete a compulsory budgeting activity before they are able to receive further hardship assistance. The Cabinet paper was seeking agreement to rescind a Cabinet decision from 2010 requiring this practice.

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