



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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Endorsement of the BreastScreen Aotearoa Critical Infrastructure Replacement Business Case

Portfolio Health

On 29 March 2023, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1 **noted** that Aotearoa New Zealand provides free breast screening (digital mammography) each year to around 270,000 asymptomatic women aged 45 to 69, through BreastScreen Aotearoa;
- 2 **noted** that mammography delivered through an organised screening programme can reduce mortality from breast cancer in women screened by 30 percent;
- 3 **noted** that in Budget 2021, Cabinet:
 - 3.1 agreed to funding of up to \$55.600 million over four years for the replacement of critical Information and Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure for the national breast screening programme;
 - 3.2 authorised the Minister of Finance and Minister of Health to jointly approve the drawdown of the above funding and approve changes to appropriations, subject to Cabinet approval of the detailed business case;[CAB-21-MIN-0116.14];
- 4 **noted** that \$5.353 million has been appropriated for Phase One of the replacement of critical ICT infrastructure, comprised of \$3.165 million capital expenditure and \$2.188 million operating expenditure, to support the design activities and the development of an implementation business case;
- 5 **noted** that:
 - 5.1 \$50.247 million of implementation funding over four years is set aside in the *BreastScreen Aotearoa Critical Infrastructure Replacement - Contingency* in Budget 2021, based on the indicative costs for Phase Two, comprised of \$22.565 million capital expenditure and \$27.682 million operating expenditure, and
 - 5.2 the costs will be further refined as part of the implementation business case;
 - 5.3 work to date indicates that costs, including a risk contingency, are expected to fall within the tagged contingency amount;

- 6 **endorsed** the Critical Infrastructure Replacement Business case, attached under SWC-23-SUB-0021, which sets out the justification for investing in the replacement of critical ICT infrastructure that supports the national breast screening programme.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall
Hon Kiri Allan
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan
Hon Barbara Edmonds
Hon Meka Whaitiri
Hon Willow-Jean Prime
Hon Rino Tirikatene

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