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To: Minister of Finance (Hon Bill English)

Deadline: None

Aide Memoire: Revised Māori Development and Budget Bids 2016 ^[34]

Purpose

You met with Minister Flavell and Marama Fox on Monday 14 March 2016. At this meeting a revised ^[34] Māori Development package was tabled. This Aide Memoire sets out the revised package, Treasury's recommendations on this package, and a suggested process for finalising the package.

Revised Package

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Details of this package are listed in Annex 1. Treasury supports investing in four initiatives and these are listed first in the table.

The additional bids in the table have been listed in Treasury's preferred order based on investment ready initiatives or activities which add to existing programmes of work. There is an option to scale up some of the earlier initiatives as they are more investment ready than the latter initiatives.

Cuts of the package have been proposed to signal where bids correspond with initiatives already loaded into the system (Electoral participation and Microfinancing Trials) and where work is already underway in that area (i.e. Whānau Ora or the Māori Housing Network). Initiatives which Treasury considers are not investment ready or are not linked to current programmes of work are listed last in the table.

Note that two of the initiatives Treasury support have since been withdrawn from the revised package. The two initiatives (Māori Television Service and Te Tumu Paeroa bids) are operational cost pressure initiatives and Treasury supports progressing them.

Process

You have requested more information about some of the initiatives which both Minister Flavell's office and TPK are working on to come across to you early this week.

Once this information is received you may wish to have a follow up meeting with Minister Flavell and Marama Fox to confirm which initiatives you would like to progress.

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Annex 1: Māori Party / Māori Development Package

BGA Budget Initiative		OPEX 2016/17	OPEX 2017/18	OPEX 2018/19	OPEX 2019/20	Total Capex	Comment
Māori Land Service	Dep	6.000	[33]				Treasury supports the first year of funding in full [33] This initiative is being considered in the BGA work stream and has not been included in the package below as it has been counted against the BGA allocation.
	Tsy	6.000					
Treasury's Supported Māori Party / Māori Development Package (excluding Māori Land Service)							
Māori Language Revitalisation – Te Matawai	Dep	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	0.000	Supports establishment of Te Mātāwai linked to the Māori Language Bill. Treasury recommend scaling due to baseline funding being agreed in the November Cabinet paper of \$2 million from TPK.
	Tsy	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.000	
Māori Television Service - Promote and protect Maori language and culture	Dep	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	Support cost pressure part of initiative (\$0.655 m p.a.). This includes developing a platform to utilise the Management Right of 16 MHz of UHF Digital Television Spectrum (reserved by Cabinet in 2009) (\$1.988 m p.a.).
	Tsy	2.653	2.653	2.653	2.653	0.000	
Te Tumu Paeroa - Effective Trustee Service	Dep	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	Support cost pressure part of initiative.
	Tsy	0.914	0.914	0.914	0.914	0.000	
Treasury's Supported Package	Dep	OPEX average p.a. \$3 million CAPEX: \$0 million					
	Tsy	OPEX average p.a. \$4.6 million CAPEX: \$0 million					

Further investment into the Māori Party Package could include:

Electoral Participation	Dep	2.000	0.500	0.500	2.000	0.000	This bid is directly linked to a bid currently in the system in Vote Justice which targets electrical participation of Minority Groups. Treasury suggests merging these bids and is looking into options around the technical side of merging the bids.	
	Tsy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Expanding Microfinancing Trials	Dep	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.000	This bid is directly linked to a bid currently in the system in Vote Social Development, however, it targets a different cohort. The SD bid targets low income families, while this bid is aimed at small and medium sized enterprises.	
	Tsy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Total package if cut here	Dep	OPEX average p.a. \$5.3 million CAPEX: \$0 million					Both of these bids are linked to other initiatives entered into the system.	
Whanau Ora: Growing Whanau Ora Commissioning Activity	Dep	7.470	7.470	7.470	7.470	0.000	This bid includes \$2.47 million to allow the same number of Navigators to remain in operation through the CA's contracting Navigators and \$5 million to expand CA's activity.	
	Tsy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Taku Kāinga - Housing Transfers	Dep	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	12.8	Treasury has not seen a business case for this initiative.	
	Tsy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
Total package if cut here	Dep	OPEX average p.a. \$13.5 million CAPEX: \$12.8 million					Both of these initiatives build on current activity and would not require a large amount of start-up resources or capability building.	
Commemorating Māori Land Wars	Dep	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.000	The Crown does not provide funding for any commemoration days at present in other Votes.	
	Tsy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
[33]	Dep	[33]						
	Tsy							
Te Taura Whiri - Pilot Language planning initiatives for whānau and their communities	Dep	3.000	3.000	3.000	3.000	0.000	Treasury has not seen this initiative. You have requested more information about how this fits into the wider Māori Language Strategy and establishment of Te Mātāwai.	
	Tsy	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000		
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Total package if cut here	Dep	[33]					These initiatives did not have the same level of information available and Treasury believes are not investment ready for Budget 2016.	