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From: Richard Baird [TSY]
Sent: Thursday, 22 March 2018 10:48 AM
To: Pooja Patel [TSY]
Cc: Andrew Rutledge [TSY]
Subject: RE: Follow-up from SW workstream meeting

Hi Pooja

Please see attached two additional scaling options, with description and caveats. I have rounded final totals to nearest \$50k due to uncertainty.

It is worth noting that we have less confidence in OPTION B given that it required more tinkering with MBIE's spreadsheet. For example, we have had to make decisions on the number of support and management staff required with a reduced increase in workforce size.

In addition, If MoF wanted to remove even the business support funding for future planning, we would need to check the likely implications with MBIE (e.g. reduced number of labour inspectors?), given their view on Ministerial expectations that this work is progressed.

Happy to discuss,
Richard

TSY Scaled Option A:

This option reduces the number of additional labour inspectors from **11** to **6**. Business support funding is focused on resourcing further planning of the future state Labour Inspectorate (Labour Party Manifesto to double the size of the Inspectorate). Cost pressures are unavoidable and would otherwise be managed through a reduction in the size of the Labour Inspectorate, including 5 fewer labour inspectors.

The cost of the scaled option has been estimated by making changes to the costing spreadsheet provided in support of the initiative. MBIE has not yet been consulted on the judgements made to produce the estimates.

	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
Future State Year 1	\$1,803,530	\$1,803,530	\$1,803,530	\$1,803,530	
Business Support	\$382,912	\$382,912	\$382,912	\$382,912	
Strategy Enablers	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Cost Pressures	\$0	\$1,075,000	\$890,000	\$890,000	
Total (rounded)	\$2,200,000	\$3,300,000	\$3,100,000	\$3,100,000	\$11,700,000

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From: Pooja Patel [TSY]

Sent: Wednesday, 21 March 2018 8:49 p.m.

To: Richard Baird [TSY] [39]

Subject: Follow-up from SW workstream meeting

Importance: High

Hi Richard

At the workstream meeting, Minister Galloway discussed Labour Inspectorates as his top priority. MoF wants to look at whether there are any scaling options for this initiative (apparently this initiative gets a further 9 inspectorates – what would the cost be if this was lower?).

Any chance you can get me some information on this before our next meeting with MoF tomorrow at 12.30pm?

We are not letting agencies know at this stage, so it will have to be information you (hopefully) have at hand.

Thanks!

Pooja

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