# Vote Attorney-General

APPROPRIATION MINISTER(S): Attorney-General (M5)

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTERING THE VOTE: Crown Law Office (A2)

RESPONSIBLE MINISTER FOR CROWN LAW OFFICE: Attorney-General

## Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections

### Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations

	2020/21		
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Estimates Budget \$000	Budget	Total Budget \$000
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Crown Law Office - Capital Expenditure PLA (M5) (A2)	799	261	1,060
This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Crown Law Office, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.			
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	799	261	1,060
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure			
Law Officer Functions MCA (M5) (A2)  The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the discharge of the Law Officers' constitutional, criminal law, and system leadership responsibilities including legal advice and representation.	78,561	2,306	80,867
Departmental Output Expenses			
Conduct of Criminal Appeals from Crown Prosecutions  This category is limited to conducting appeals arising from Crown prosecutions.	3,994	31	4,025
Law Officer Constitutional and Criminal Law Duties  This category is limited to providing assistance to the Principal Law Officers in the exercise of their functions, and providing advice on constitutional, criminal law, mutual assistance and extradition matters.	5,702	(55)	5,647
Public Prosecution Services  This category is limited to the provision and supervision of a national Crown prosecution service and oversight of public prosecutions.	44,686	(170)	44,516
Strategic and Operational Legal Advice and Representation	24,179	2,500	26,679
This category is limited to leading and developing the collective strength of government lawyers and providing legal advice and representation to State Sector entities.			
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	78,561	2,306	80,867
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	79,360	2,567	81,927

### Capital Injection Authorisations

	2020/21		
	Estimates Budget \$000	Supplementary Estimates Budget \$000	Total Budget \$000
Crown Law Office - Capital Injection (M5) (A2)	-	-	-

# Supporting Information

### Part 1 - Vote as a Whole

### 1.2 - Trends in the Vote

### **Summary of Financial Activity**

		2020/21			
		Supplementary Estimates			
	Estimates \$000		Non- Departmental Transactions \$000	Total Transactions \$000	Total \$000
Appropriations					
Output Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	N/A	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	799	261	-	261	1,060
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	N/A	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)					
Output Expenses	78,561	2,306	-	2,306	80,867
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	N/A	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	79,360	2,567	-	2,567	81,927
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts					
Tax Revenue	-	N/A	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	N/A	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	N/A	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	N/A	-	-	-

### Part 2 - Details of Departmental Appropriations

### 2.3 - Departmental Capital Expenditure and Capital Injections

### **Crown Law Office - Capital Expenditure PLA (M5) (A2)**

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Crown Law Office, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

### Capital Expenditure

	2020/21		
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000
Forests/Agricultural	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	274	381	655
Intangibles	525	(120)	405
Other	-	-	-
Total Appropriation	799	261	1,060

### Significant Projects

	2020/21		
	Estimates \$000		Total \$000
Replacement of computer hardware	224	163	387
Furniture and Fittings	25	41	66
Office Equipment	25	85	110
Leasehold Equipment	-	92	92
Computer Software	525	(120)	405
Total	799	261	1,060

### How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2020/21		
Assessment of Performance	Estimates Standard	Supplementary Estimates Standard	Total
Quality			
The Attorney-General is satisfied with the services provided by Crown Law	-	Yes	Yes

### Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation increased by \$261,000 to \$1.060 million for 2020/21 due to expenditure to meet office capital asset replacements.

### Capital Injections and Movements in Departmental Net Assets

### **Crown Law Office**

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2020/21 Main Estimates Projections \$000	2020/21 Supplementary Estimates Projections \$000	
Opening Balance	2,151	2,642	Supplementary Estimates opening balance reflects the audited results as at 30 June 2020.
Capital Injections	-	-	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	2,151	2,642	

### Part 4 - Details of Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

### 4 - Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

### Law Officer Functions (M5) (A2)

### Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the discharge of the Law Officers' constitutional, criminal law, and system leadership responsibilities including legal advice and representation.

### Scope of Appropriation

#### **Departmental Output Expenses**

#### Conduct of Criminal Appeals from Crown Prosecutions

This category is limited to conducting appeals arising from Crown prosecutions.

#### Law Officer Constitutional and Criminal Law Duties

This category is limited to providing assistance to the Principal Law Officers in the exercise of their functions, and providing advice on constitutional, criminal law, mutual assistance and extradition matters.

#### Public Prosecution Services

This category is limited to the provision and supervision of a national Crown prosecution service and oversight of public prosecutions.

#### Strategic and Operational Legal Advice and Representation

This category is limited to leading and developing the collective strength of government lawyers and providing legal advice and representation to State Sector entities.

#### Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2020/21		
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000
Total Appropriation	78,561	2,306	80,867
Departmental Output Expenses			
Conduct of Criminal Appeals from Crown Prosecutions	3,994	31	4,025
Law Officer Constitutional and Criminal Law Duties	5,702	(55)	5,647
Public Prosecution Services	44,686	(170)	44,516
Strategic and Operational Legal Advice and Representation	24,179	2,500	26,679

	2020/21			
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000	
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses				
Revenue from the Crown	54,837	(194)	54,643	
Conduct of Criminal Appeals from Crown Prosecutions	3,944	31	3,975	
Law Officer Constitutional and Criminal Law Duties	5,198	(55)	5,143	
Public Prosecution Services	44,666	(170)	44,496	
Strategic and Operational Legal Advice and Representation	1,029	-	1,029	
Revenue from Others	23,724	2,500	26,224	
Conduct of Criminal Appeals from Crown Prosecutions	50	-	50	
Law Officer Constitutional and Criminal Law Duties	504	-	504	
Public Prosecution Services	20	-	20	
Strategic and Operational Legal Advice and Representation	23,150	2,500	25,650	

### What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve improvement in the management of Crown legal risk and improved criminal justice, maintain strong legal institutions, and strengthen the influence of the rule of law.

### How Performance will be Assessed for this Appropriation

	2020/21		
Assessment of Performance	Estimates Standard		Total Standard
Quality			
The Attorney-General is satisfied with the services provided by Crown Law	-	Yes	Yes

### End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by Crown Law Office in the annual report

### Reasons for Change in Appropriation

This appropriation increased by \$2.306 million to \$80.867 million for 2020/21 due to:

- an increase of \$2.500 million to fund the response to the increased demand for legal advice and representation on the Government's response to COVID-19 and Treaty of Waitangi hearings, and
- offset by a reduction in revenue of \$194,000 in Public Prosecution Services and Law Officer Constitutional and Criminal Law Duties.