

# Cabinet Expenditure and Regulatory Review Committee

### **Minute of Decision**

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## Proposals to Update Fees for LINZ Survey and Title Services: Release of Discussion Document

Portfolio Land Information

On 9 April 2024, the Cabinet Expenditure and Regulatory Review Committee:

- noted that Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) provides services required by law to maintain the land ownership register and cadastral survey records, and these services are funded by fees charged to the customers that access these services, such as property purchasers and developers;
- 2 **noted** that a combination of lower volumes of property market activity than forecast in 2022 and 2023, ongoing investment in modernising the Landonline technology platform supporting service delivery, and general inflation is currently causing the costs of survey and title administration to exceed fee revenues;
- noted that the modernised Landonline platform is already delivering significant efficiency benefits for commercial users and for the public, that there is strong user support for modernising Landonline, and LINZ has signalled a fee review;
- 4 **noted** the public discussion document *Updating fees for survey and title services* (the discussion document), attached as Appendix Two to the submission under EXP-24-SUB-0017, includes options to update fees to fully recover the costs of modernising survey and title services and property rights administration;
- 5 **agreed** to the release of the discussion document in April 2024;
- authorised the Minister for Land Information to make minor amendments to the discussion document in line with the decisions above, with precise timing for release to be determined by the Minister;

7 noted that the Minister for Land Information intends to report back to the Cabinet Expenditure and Regulatory Review Committee in August 2024 to seek approval to final fee decisions.

#### Sam Moffett Committee Secretary

#### Present:

Rt Hon Christopher Luxon Hon David Seymour (Chair)

Hon Nicola Willis

Hon Chris Bishop

Hon Dr Shane Reti

Hon Simeon Brown

Hon Erica Stanford

Hon Paul Goldsmith

Hon Louise Upston

Hon Mark Mitchell

Hon Brooke van Velden

Hon Shane Jones

Hon Casey Costello

Hon Chris Penk

Hon Simon Watts

Hon Andrew Bayly

Hon Andrew Hoggard

Hon Mark Patterson

Simon Court MP

#### Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister Officials Committee for EXP Office of the Minister for Climate Change