

Update to Ministerial Group for 24 February 2020

Reason for this briefing	The Auckland Light Rail Ministerial Oversight Group (the Ministerial Group) was established to provide direction to officials on the Government's expectations and key outcomes for light rail. This briefing provides an update on the project ahead of the meeting scheduled for 24 February 2020.
Action required	The points raised in this briefing are for noting. No decisions are required.
Deadline	Friday 21 February 2020.
Reason for deadline	To allow time for reading ahead of the Ministerial Group meeting on Monday 24 February 2020.

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)

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MINISTER'S COMMENTS:

Date:	21 February 2020	Briefing number:	OC200146
Attention:	Hon Grant Robertson Hon Phil Twyford Hon David Parker Hon Shane Jones Hon Julie Anne Genter	Security level:	Commercial In confidence

Minister of Transport's office actions

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Purpose of report

1. This briefing provides an update for the Ministerial Group on the City Centre to Māngere (CC2M) Light Rail project for the 24 February 2020 meeting.
2. This briefing covers the following key items:
 - 2.1. General project update**
 - 2.2. Cabinet paper consultation and timeline**
3. All matters raised in this briefing are commercial in confidence and are for Ministers to note. No decisions are required.

Agenda item one: General project update

4. The Project is on track to deliver a Cabinet paper for consideration by the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV) on 18 March.
5. The Prime Minister facilitated meetings with coalition partners on the Auckland Light Rail Project on 11 and 12 February.
6. As requested following these meetings, the Ministry provided copies of the Overall Evaluation Team (OET) Report on the City Centre to Māngere Light Rail Project report to attendees. The report was not to be circulated wider at this stage due to the confidential commercial process.
7. To ensure all decision makers have equal access to information, the OET report will be made available to DEV members along with the Cabinet paper.

Agenda item two: Cabinet paper consultation and timeline

8. The final step in the Process for selecting the preferred delivery partner is consideration of the Cabinet Paper.
9. Partner agencies through a meeting of the Auckland Light Rail Advisory Group (Auckland Council, Auckland Transport, KiwiRail, Kainga Ora, Treasury, Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, and State Services Commission, Ministry of Transport) raised material issues for consideration in the drafting of the Cabinet paper.
10. Named representatives of Partner agencies were then consulted on the resulting draft Cabinet paper through a confidential process. The paper was amended subsequent to their feedback.
11. The draft Cabinet paper will be submitted to members of DEV for consultation on Wednesday 26 February.
12. Ahead of this formal Ministerial consultation process, a draft copy of the Cabinet paper is being provided to the Ministerial Group as an appendix to this briefing note.
13. The Cabinet paper is being provided to Ministerial Group members in line with the terms of reference to enable you to provide advice and direction to officials and in this context to provide feedback at the Ministerial Group meeting prior to formal Ministerial Consultation on the paper.
14. As we are still in the midst of a commercial-in-confidence discussion, we have an obligation to protect the confidentiality of the documents. To that effect, we request that the circulation

and discussion of this document and enclosures is limited to the named members of the Ministerial Group and their advisors. We have listed out in Appendix 1 approved personnel.

15. No other personnel are able to discuss or access this briefing or Cabinet paper unless otherwise requested and agreed through the Office of the Minister of Transport.
16. The proposed timeline for Cabinet paper consultation and submission is shown below.

Friday 21 Feb	Cabinet paper provided to Ministerial Group members
Monday 24 Feb	Ministerial Group meeting to discuss Cabinet paper
Weds 26 Feb	Ministerial Consultation on the Cabinet paper starts
Weds 11 Mar	Final date for feedback on the Cabinet paper
Thurs 12 Mar	Cabinet paper finalised and lodged with DEV
Weds 18 Mar	DEV considers Cabinet paper
Mon 30 Mar	Cabinet considers Cabinet paper

17. A copy of the Cabinet paper is enclosed with this briefing.

Recommendations

- (a) **note** the content of this briefing. Yes/No

MINISTER'S SIGNATURE:

DATE:

Appendix 1

The draft Cabinet paper entitled Auckland Rapid Transit – Preferred Delivery Partner for the City Centre to Māngere Line and Next Steps (Cabinet paper) is being provided to the Ministerial Group and named advisors only.

The named persons who are authorized to review the draft Cabinet paper are:

Name	Title	Organisation
Andy Hagan	Acting Deputy Secretary, Financial and Commercial	Treasury
Dieter Katz	Principal Advisor	Treasury
Gerald Lee	Analyst	Treasury
Matthew Gilbert	Acting Director, CIUG	Treasury
David Taylor	Manager National Infrastructure Unit	Treasury
Brad Ward	Deputy Chief Executive, Place-based Policy and Programmes	MHUD
David Taylor	Principal Policy Advisor, Urban Development	MHUD
David Hermans	Kaiaki	MHUD
Andrew Crisp	Chief executive	MHUD
Lewis Holden	Deputy Commissioner, Auckland, Auckland Policy Office	SSC
Amanda Moran	Deputy Secretary, Natural and Built Systems	MfE
Lesley Baddon	Director Urban and Infrastructure Policy	MfE
[REDACTED]	Private Secretary - Minister of Transport	
[REDACTED]	Private Secretary - Minister for the Environment	
[REDACTED]	Private Secretary - Minister of Infrastructure	
[REDACTED]	Private Secretary - Minister of Finance	
[REDACTED]	Private Secretary - Associate Minister of Transport	
[REDACTED]	Ministerial Advisor - Minister of Transport	
[REDACTED]	Ministerial Advisor - Minister for the Environment	
[REDACTED]	Ministerial Advisor - Minister of Infrastructure	
[REDACTED]	Ministerial Advisor - Minister of Finance	
[REDACTED]	Ministerial Advisor - Associate Minister of Transport	
[REDACTED]	Chief Policy Advisor (PMO)	

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