Wellington Office Accommodation Strategy: Single Stage Business Case

Portfolio: State Services

On 13 November 2012, the Cabinet Committee on State Sector Reform and Expenditure Control, having been authorised by Cabinet to have Power to Act [CAB Min (12) 40/22]:

1 noted that the Property Management Centre of Expertise (PMCoE) and the participating agencies have identified a preferred head office accommodation solution, following a joint procurement and business case process;

2 approved:

2.1 the Single Stage Business Case Wellington Office Accommodation Strategy attached to the submission under SEC (12) 99;

2.2 the preferred accommodation solutions for [redacted]; the Ministry of Education (MoE); [redacted]; [redacted];

3 authorised Joint Ministers (the Minister of Finance and responsible agency Minister) to agree to the final investment decision for each agency’s accommodation, [redacted];

4 noted that Cabinet authority is required for investment decisions with a whole-of-life cost over $25 million, as per Cabinet Office Circular: CO (10) 2;

5 directed the Chief Executive of MSD:

5.1 in consultation with MoE and [redacted], to negotiate development agreements for the preferred buildings and report to those Ministers delegated in paragraph 3 above for approval;

5.2 to negotiate a development agreement with alternate short-listed suppliers from the PMCoE-led request for proposal process, in the event that an agreement cannot be reached with a preferred supplier;
invited the Minister of State Services to release media statements in relation to this co-ordinated procurement and business case process within the context of functional leadership;

noted that despite projected increases for property-related costs across the 20 year appraisal period, the preferred solution:

7.1 does not require additional Crown funding;

7.2

7.3 achieves cost avoidance of $339.860 million compared to the projected status quo;

7.4 realises baseline savings:

7.4.1

7.4.2

7.4.3

noted that:

8.1 in addition to the benefits in paragraph 7 above, it is also estimated that agencies have collectively saved the equivalent of approximately $1.000 million in reduced procurement and business case processes;

8.2 building owners have also benefited from the streamlined process to respond to multiple government agencies;

noted that the preferred accommodation solution offers buildings with greater levels of safety and standards than those already occupied by the participating agencies, improving staff safety and reducing the risk to business continuity;
noted that collectively the participating agencies have had a reduction of 30 per cent in their property footprint (124,447m$^2$ to 87,522m$^2$), and will occupy the following space as part of the preferred solution:

13.5 MoB:

13.5.1 current footprint: 21,179m$^2$;

13.5.2 preferred option footprint: 13,179m$^2$;

Sam Gleisner
Committee Secretary

Reference: SEC (12) 99

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