Road Safety Strategy: Release of Consultation Document

Portfolio Associate Transport (Hon Julie Anne Genter)

On 26 June 2019, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV):

Background

1 noted that on 21 March 2018, DEV agreed to commence the development of a new road safety strategy, and noted a number of actions that are being planned to significantly reduce deaths and serious injuries on New Zealand roads, including investigating a Vision Zero approach to road safety [DEV-18-MIN-0025];

Road safety strategy and initial action plan

2 noted that the number of deaths and serious injuries on New Zealand roads has been rising in recent years, and that New Zealand is now in the bottom quarter of OECD countries when it comes to the number of road fatalities per capita;

3 noted that the consultation document *Road to Zero: Consultation on the 2020-2030 Road Safety Strategy* (the consultation document), attached as Appendix One to the paper under DEV-19-SUB-0175, outlines the proposed framework for a new road safety strategy to 2030 and actions for inclusion in the first action plan for 2020-2022;

4 agreed to the release of the consultation document for public consultation, subject to any minor, editorial or design changes that may be authorised by the Associate Minister of Transport (Hon Julie Anne Genter) before its release;

5 noted that additional summary material will be published alongside the consultation document;

6 agreed that public consultation will occur for a period of four weeks;

7 invited the Associate Minister of Transport (Hon Julie Anne Genter) to report back to DEV in October 2019 on the outcome of consultation, and seeking approval to the final road safety strategy and initial action plan;

Tackling Unsafe Speeds Programme

8 noted that the consultation document outlines the proposed Tackling Unsafe Speeds package, which is discussed in Appendix Two to the paper under DEV-19-SUB-0175;
invited the Associate Minister of Transport (Hon Julie Anne Genter) to:

9.1 report back to DEV in October 2019 seeking approval of the Tackling Unsafe Speeds Programme;

9.2 issue drafting instructions to the Parliamentary Counsel Office to commence the drafting of the necessary legislative amendments ahead of final policy decisions being taken by Cabinet on the Tackling Unsafe Speeds Programme.

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Committee Secretary

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