



# Cabinet

## Minute of Decision

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### Jobs for Nature: Progress Update

**Portfolios** Economic Development / Forestry / Regional Development / Agriculture / Biosecurity / Land Information / Environment / Local Government / Conservation / Climate Change

On 11 April 2023, following reference from the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee, Cabinet:

- 1 **noted** that in November 2021, as part of the progress report on Implementation Unit Assignments considered by the Cabinet Priorities Committee [CPC-21-MIN-0034], the Deputy Prime Minister invited Sustainable Land Use Ministers (SLU Ministers) to report back to Cabinet on the transition plan for the sustainability of benefits beyond the Jobs for Nature programme, including options for how any unused funding should be addressed;
- 2 **noted** the update on progress into the third year of delivery, as outlined in the submission under ENV-23-SUB-0011;
- 3 **agreed** that any unallocated CRRF funding across the Jobs for Nature programme is returned to the centre immediately to offset the Budget 2023 package;
- 4 **agreed** that \$850,000 of the unallocated CRRF funding be redirected to the Jobs for Nature secretariat to wind down the scheme;
- 5 **authorised** the relevant Appropriation Minister and the Minister of Finance (Joint Ministers) jointly to agree to the changes of appropriations and/or capital injections and related recommendations necessary to give effect to paragraphs 3 and 4 above;
- 6 **invited** SLU Ministers to report back to Cabinet on the Jobs for Nature programme by 30 June 2023.

Rachel Hayward  
Secretary of the Cabinet

**Secretary's Note:** This minute replaces ENV-23-MIN-0011 and has been revised to clarify paragraph 4 and correct minor errors.