



# Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee

## Minute of Decision

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### Effective Investment of Waste Disposal Levy Revenue: Report-back

**Portfolio**                      **Environment**

On 25 February 2021, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee:

1        **noted** that on 8 June 2020, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee agreed that regulations be developed under the Waste Minimisation Act to:

- 1.1      prescribe additional classes of landfills as disposal facilities;
- 1.2      prescribe the waste levy rates (plus GST that will apply for each landfill class (per tonne of waste) and the dates on which these rates will take effect, as follows:

Landfill class	1 July 2021	1 July 2022	1 July 2023	1 July 2024
Municipal landfill (class 1)	\$20	\$30	\$50	\$60
Construction and demolition fill (class 2)		\$20	\$20	\$30
Managed fill (class 3)	-	-	\$10	\$10
Controlled fill (class 4)	-	-	\$10	\$10

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- 2        **confirmed** the implementation dates outlined in paragraph 1.2 above, having considered the current economic conditions;
- 3        **noted** that the Minister for the Environment will submit the draft regulations to make these changes to the Cabinet Legislation Committee in early 2021;
- 4        **noted** the work being carried out by the Ministry for the Environment to implement the levy changes and address related policy matters between 2020 and 2022, outlined in the paper under ENV-21-SUB-0002;
- 5        **noted** the work being carried out by the Ministry for the Environment to put in place the foundations for a transformed waste and resource recovery sector by mid-2023, based on a strategic investment approach, including:
  - 5.1      practical implementation and operational requirements;
  - 5.2      updated legislation;

- 5.3 a revised long-term waste strategy;
- 5.4 a strategic investment approach (including a long-term infrastructure plan; rolling three-year action and investment plans; and work on the underlying institutional and administrative arrangements);
- 5.5 an emissions reduction plan for waste;
- 6 **noted** that the Ministry for the Environment is responsible for administering the Waste Minimisation Act 2008, including the levy funds, and is developing decision-making and administrative systems, and the supporting capability, to enable the benefits of the increased levy funds to be maximised;
- 7 s 9(2)(f)(iv) [REDACTED]

Vivien Meek  
Committee Secretary

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**Present:**

Hon Kelvin Davis  
Hon Dr Megan Woods (Deputy Chair)  
Hon David Parker (Chair)  
Hon Damien O'Connor  
Hon Stuart Nash  
Hon Michael Wood  
Hon Phil Twyford  
Rino Tirikatene, MP

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