

Report No.	20-177
Information Only - No Decision Required	

BRIEFINGS TO INCOMING GOVERNMENT MINISTERS

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1. The purpose of this report is to present to Council the Briefings to Incoming Government Ministers from the Regional Sector and the Manawatū-Whanganui Region's Mayors and Chairs.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee recommends that Council:

- a. receives the information contained in Report No. 20-177 and Annexes.

3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

- 3.1. There is no additional financial impact.

4. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- 4.1. The community is able to see this information either in the agenda or on the Council's website.

5. SIGNIFICANT BUSINESS RISK IMPACT

- 5.1. There is no significant business risk associated with this item.

6. CLIMATE IMPACT STATEMENT

- 6.1. There is no climate change impact as a result of this report.

7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1. With the incoming government it is common practice for the Regional Sector to prepare a **Regional Sector Briefing to Incoming Ministers (RS BIM)** on some of the key opportunities and challenges for our communities that are common to central and local government. The RS BIM provides useful context to prompt dialogue between ministers and our local government leaders at engagements such as the Central and Local Government Forum. The RS BIM also serves to inform incoming ministers with new cabinet portfolios. The Regional Sector has compiled its RS BIM in specific relevance to the matters of interest to regional and unitary authorities. The final RS BIM is submitted alongside and as part of the broader Local Government New Zealand Briefing to Incoming Ministers.
- 7.2. In addition to the RS BIM the **Manawatū-Whanganui Region's Mayors and Chairs (Regional Chiefs)** have also commissioned a **Manawatū-Whanganui Region Briefing to Incoming Ministers (MW BIM)** providing more granular information about our Region. At the time of writing this report, the Regional Chiefs are yet to sign off on the MW BIM, however I have provided a copy of the draft for Members' information. The MW BIM will be useful to help inform the **Region's Members of Parliament (MPs)** as well as appropriate

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Cabinet Ministers. The MW BIM will be accompanied by an invitation for the MPs to meet with our local government leaders in due course.

8. SIGNIFICANCE

- 8.1. This is not a significant decision according to the Council's Policy on Significance and Engagement.

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ANNEXES

- A Regional Sector Briefing to Incoming Ministers
- B Draft Briefing paper to Members of Parliament in the Manawatū-Whanganui Region