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Office of the Minister of Local Government

Chair

Cabinet Legislation Committee

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (HOT SPRINGS ROAD REGIONAL PARK) ORDER 2026 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AUCKLAND REGIONAL PARKS) AMENDMENT ORDER 2026

Proposal

1. This paper seeks approval to submit two Orders in Council (Orders) to the Executive Council:
 - 1.1 The Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 (the BOP Order) to protect the specified property in perpetuity as a regional park.
 - 1.2 The Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026 (the Auckland Order) to amend the existing Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Order 2008 to protect 10 additional parks in perpetuity from disposition and request a variance to the Schedule in the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Order 2008 to correct the protections of existing regional parks.

Background

2. Section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 (the Act) provides for a regional council to request an Order in Council to protect its regional parks, or parts of its regional parks, in perpetuity from disposition (by sale or otherwise) by a future council.
3. Such Orders in Council are made by the Governor-General on the recommendation of the Minister of Local Government. Under the Act, the policy decision to protect regional parks rests with the relevant regional council. The role of the Minister of Local Government is essentially mechanical.

The Bay of Plenty request

4. On 25 September 2024, Bay of Plenty Regional Council wrote to the then Minister of Local Government, Hon Simeon Brown, seeking an Order in Council, under section 139 of the Act, to protect a new regional park in perpetuity from disposition.
5. Bay of Plenty Regional Council was gifted land (the BOP Land) for community benefit as a regional park from the Noble family.
6. The BOP Land is 103 hectares of land at Hot Springs Road about 6 kilometres south-west of Katikati within the Western Bay of Plenty District and is adjacent to the Kaimai-Mamaku Forest Park. More than half of the property is remnant native bush, which is part of significant ecological and outstanding landscape features recognised in the Western Bay of Plenty District Plan.
7. On 6 December 2024, Bay of Plenty Regional Council advised the Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) that it needed time to consult with stakeholders regarding the naming of the new regional park, and processing of the application was put on hold.

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8. On 8 April 2026, Bay of Plenty Regional Council advised the Department that it had completed consultation on the proposed regional park name and that the Department could continue with the Order.
9. As the content of the requested Order in Council is routine, and does not require new policy decisions, I authorised drafting instructions for an Order in Council to be issued to the Parliamentary Counsel Office under paragraph 7.95(d) of the Cabinet Manual.

Proposed Order in Council

10. The BOP Order is attached as **Appendix A**, and has the effect of protecting the BOP Land in perpetuity.
11. I confirm that the following requirements under section 139 of the Act are met by the Order:
 - 11.1 The BOP Land meets the definition of a “regional park” as it is owned by Bay of Plenty Regional Council and has been acquired principally for community recreational, environmental, cultural or spiritual purposes;
 - 11.2 Bay of Plenty Regional Council has requested that the Order in Council be made; and
 - 11.3 the BOP Order specifies that it applies to the BOP Land, with the legal description being Section 14 Block I Aongatete Survey District, comprising 103.4983 hectares and held in record of title SA35D/708.
12. The Department of Internal Affairs (the Department) has worked with the Parliamentary Counsel Office and information provided by Bay of Plenty Regional Council to ensure the land descriptions of the BOP Land in the BOP Order meets the required drafting standards.
13. I recommend that the BOP Order should be submitted to the Executive Council.

The Auckland Council request

14. On 22 May 2025, the Auckland Council wrote to me seeking an Order in Council, under section 139 of the Act, to protect new regional parks in perpetuity from disposition and request a variance to the Schedule in the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Order 2008 (the Principal Order).
15. Auckland Council has acquired several parcels of land (the Auckland Land) that make up the new regional parks. Additionally, they have identified one parcel of land that was previously omitted from an existing regional park.
16. As the content of the requested Order in Council is routine, and does not require new policy decisions, I authorised drafting instructions for an Order in Council to be issued to the Parliamentary Counsel Office under paragraph 7.95(d) of the Cabinet Manual.

Proposed Order in Council

17. The Auckland Order is attached as **Appendix B** and has the effect of adding the Auckland Land to the schedule of regional parks protected in perpetuity under the Principal Order.

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18. I confirm that the following requirements under section 139 of the Act are met by the Auckland Order:
 - 18.1 The Auckland Land meets the definition of a “regional park” as it is owned by Auckland Council and has been acquired principally for community recreational, environmental, cultural or spiritual purposes;
 - 18.2 Auckland Council has requested that the Order in Council be made; and
 - 18.3 the Auckland Order specifies that it applies to the Auckland Land, with the legal descriptions in **Appendices C and D**.
19. The Department has worked with the Parliamentary Counsel Office and information provided by Auckland Council to ensure the land descriptions of the Auckland Land in the Auckland Order meet the required drafting standards.
20. I recommend that the Auckland Order should be submitted to the Executive Council.

Māori participation

21. The Local Government Act 2002 sets out specific requirements for councils to facilitate participation by Māori in local authority decision-making processes. For regional parks, this relates to providing opportunities to be involved in decisions relating to the management of tangata whenua values associated with parks; that is, kaitiakitanga.
22. Bay of Plenty Regional Council’s Policy on Regional Parks 2003 sets out policies to work with tangata whenua in the management of ancestral land, sites, and taonga of significance to them within regional parks. Also, for tangata whenua to contribute to decisions to do with land or major developments within regional parks where the activities may affect heritage values or the relationship of tangata whenua with that land.
23. Auckland Council’s Regional Parks Management Plan 2022 recognises the development and strengthening of mutually beneficial working relationships between the Council and mana whenua will lead to greater protection and enhancement of park values. When this plan is amended to incorporate specific policies for the Auckland Land, all iwi with interests in the land will be consulted as part of their partnership.
24. Bay of Plenty Regional Council and Auckland Council have confirmed that consultation with local iwi/hapū has been completed as per their relevant policies.

Timing and 28-day rule

25. There is no specific date when the Orders must be in force, and no exemption to the 28-day rule is sought. Therefore, the Orders will come into force 28 days after they are published in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Compliance

26. Both Orders in Council comply with:
 - 26.1 the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi;
 - 26.2 the rights and freedoms contained in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 and the Human Rights Act 1993;
 - 26.3 the principles and guidelines set out in the Privacy Act 2020;
 - 26.4 relevant international standards and obligations; and

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- 26.5 the Legislation Advisory Committee Guidelines, which are maintained by the Legislation Design and Advisory Committee.

Regulations Review Committee

27. I do not consider that there are grounds under Standing Order 319 for the Regulations Review Committee to bring the Orders to the attention of the House of Representatives.

Certification by Parliamentary Counsel

28. The Orders in Council have been certified by the Parliamentary Counsel Office as being in order for submission to Cabinet (a signature version and copies of the Orders have been provided to the Cabinet Office).

Regulatory Impact Assessment

29. The Ministry for Regulation has been consulted and confirms there are no regulatory proposals in this paper, and therefore Cabinet's impact analysis requirements do not apply.
30. The Climate Implications of Policy Assessment (CIPA) team has been consulted and confirms that the CIPA requirements do not apply to this policy proposal, as the thresholds for significance are not met.

Publicity

31. Bay of Plenty Regional Council has advised that they intend to put out a media release covering the BOP Order and its protection of the new Hot Springs Road Regional Park.
32. Auckland Council has advised at this time that they do not intend to publicise the Auckland Order.

Proactive release

33. As per Cabinet Office Circular CO (23) 04 – Proactive Release of Cabinet Material: Updated Requirements, I intend to proactively release the paper on the Department's website, subject to any redactions that may be warranted under the Official Information Act 1982, within 30 business days of decisions being taken.

Consultation

34. The Department consulted the following agencies on this paper: Department of Conservation; Land Information New Zealand, Te Puni Kōkiri; Office of Treaty Settlements and Takutai Moana – Te Tari Whakatau; Parliamentary Counsel Office; Bay of Plenty Regional Council; and Auckland Council. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet was also informed.

Recommendations

I recommend that the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

1. **note** that section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 provides that the Minister of Local Government may, at the request of the relevant regional council, recommend that the Governor-General declares, by Order in Council, a regional park to be protected in perpetuity from disposition;

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2. **note** that Bay of Plenty Regional Council has requested that an Order in Council be made under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 to protect the BOP Land in perpetuity;
3. **note** that the Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 will give effect to the request referred to in recommendation 2 above;
4. **note** that Auckland Council has requested that an Order in Council be made under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 to protect the Auckland Land in perpetuity;
5. **note** that the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026 will give effect to the request referred to in recommendation 4 above;
6. **note** the advice of the Minister of Local Government that the requirements under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 for recommending that the Orders in Council be made have been met;
7. **authorise** the submission of the Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 to the Executive Council;
8. **authorise** the submission of the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026 to the Executive Council; and
9. **note** that the Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 and the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026 will come into force 28 days after they are published in the *New Zealand Gazette*.

Authorised for lodgement

Hon Simon Watts

Minister of Local Government

**Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park)
Order 2026**

Order in Council

At Wellington this day of 2026

Present:
in Council

This order is made under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) on the recommendation of the Minister of Local Government (made at the request of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council).

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Order

- 1 Title**
This order is the Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026.

2 Commencement

This order comes into force on 30 July 2026.

3 Hot Springs Road Regional Park protected in perpetuity from disposition

- (1) Hot Springs Road Regional Park is protected in perpetuity from disposition (by sale or otherwise).
- (2) In this clause, **Hot Springs Road Regional Park** means the regional park that—
 - (a) is named Hot Springs Road Regional Park; and
 - (b) comprises land held in record of title SA35D/708, which has—
 - (i) an area of 103.4983 hectares more or less; and
 - (ii) the following legal description: Section 14, Block I, Aongatete Survey District.

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order applies to the regional park described in *clause 3 (Hot Springs Road Regional Park)*, which is located in the Bay of Plenty. The order protects Hot Springs Road Regional Park from disposition (whether by sale or otherwise) in perpetuity.

The order comes into force on 30 July 2026.

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2019.

Date of notification in *Gazette*:

This order is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs.

**Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks)
Amendment Order 2026**

Order in Council

At Wellington this day of 2026

Present:
in Council

This order is made under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) on the recommendation of the Minister of Local Government (made at the request of the Auckland Council).

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Order

- 1 Title**
This order is the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026.

2 Commencement

This order comes into force on 30 July 2026.

3 Principal order

This order amends the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Order 2008.

4 Schedule amended

(1) In the Schedule, insert in their appropriate alphabetical order the items set out in the Schedule of this order.

(2) In the Schedule, item relating to Awhitu Regional Park, replace “**Awhitu Regional Park**” with “**Āwhitu Regional Park**”.

(3) In the Schedule, item relating to Long Bay Regional Park, after the item relating to All CFR NA48C/468, insert:

623240	11.6092	Section 5 SO 460210
623240	7.2930	Section 2 SO 460210
706005	0.3456	Section 3 SO 460210
180350	38.4784	Section 1 SO 70452

(4) In the Schedule, item relating to Mahurangi Regional Park, after the item relating to GN B256732.1 (NZ *Gazette* 1984 p 12), insert:

877233	91.9040	Lot 2 DP 533576
788131	0.0267	Section 1 SO Plan 498301
765833	0.1492	Section 216, Village of Mahurangi
NA1044/197 (part cancelled)	0.2765	Allotments 212 and 213, Village of Mahurangi
NZ <i>Gazette</i> 2022-In1557	0.6197	Lot 15 DP 44711
NA7A/341	20.3355	Lot 1 DP 28362

(5) In the Schedule, item relating to Omana Regional Park,—

(a) replace “**Omana Regional Park**” with “**Ōmana Regional Park**”; and

(b) after the item relating to GN A550846 (NZ *Gazette* 1971 p 711), insert:

NA1160/42	1.2709	Part Allotment 79, Parish of Maraetai
NZ <i>Gazette</i> 1963 p 610	0.1292	Closed Road SO 43591

(6) In the Schedule, item relating to Pakiri,—

(a) replace “**Pakiri**” with “**Pākiri Regional Park**”; and

(b) after the item relating to All CFR NA86/132, insert:

NA116C/119	8.5960	Lot 3 DP 117489
NA116C/119	0.0609	Lot 1 DP 185887
NA116C/119	20.8520	Lot 2 DP 117489

(7) In the Schedule, item relating to Tapapakanga Regional Park, replace “**Tapapakanga Regional Park**” with “**Tāpapakanga Regional Park**”.

- (8) In the Schedule, item relating to Tawharanui Park, replace “**Tawharanui Regional Park**” with “**Tāwharanui Regional Park**”.
- (9) In the Schedule, item relating to Tawhitikino Regional Park, replace “**Tawhitikino Regional Park**” with “**Tawhitokino Regional Park**”.
- (10) In the Schedule, item relating to Te Arai,—
- (a) replace “**Te Arai**” with “**Te Ārai Regional Park**”; and
- (b) after the item relating to All CFR 227231 (Limited as to Parcels), insert:

970636 (part)	0.4975	Lot 303 DP 547805
970636 (part)	3.5010	Lot 2 DP 138522
970636 (part)	143.3600	Lot 300 DP 547805
970636 (part)	5.2312	Lot 3 DP 138522
970636 (part)	1.2559	Lot 4 DP 138522
NA16B/668 (Limited as to Parcels)	8.5237	Lot 1 DP 59556
NA1121/251	2.5268	Allotment 320, Parish of Mangawhai
NA22D/204	15.2288	Lot 1 DP 66227
NA12B/277	2.0243	Part Allotment 20, Parish of Mangawhai
709395	0.0327	Lot 303 DP 483489
701935	68.4523	Lot 302 DP 483489
701934	124.9023	Lot 301 DP 483489
709394	23.5809	Lot 300 DP 483489

- (11) In the Schedule, item relating to Te Muri,—
- (a) replace “**Te Muri**” with “**Te Muri Regional Park**”; and
- (b) after the item relating to All CFR NA106D/215, insert:

NA26A/816	5.6276	Lot 2 DP 62419
Proclamation A477601	7.7901	Lot 3 DP 54981
NA14B/262	6.4750	Lot 1 DP 54981
NA6B/697	7.8914	Lot 2 DP 54981
NA26A/815	20.0395	Part Lot 1 DP 62419
NA35C/500	0.2130	Section 2, Block IV, Waiwera Survey District
NA26A/818	15.3780	Noke Noke Block
NA106D/214	0.6844	Lot 1 DP 173965

- (12) In the Schedule, item relating to Te Rau Puriri,—
- (a) replace “**Te Rau Puriri**” with “**Te Rau Pūriri Regional Park**”; and
- (b) after the item relating to All CFR NA110D/728, insert:

NA110D/729	4.9806	Lot 9 DP 179864
NA127C/675	1.0000	Lot 4 DP 198815
NA127C/672	1.7210	Lot 1 DP 198815
503014	3.8261	Lot 1 DP 426156
503015	11.3777	Lot 2 DP 426156

- (13) In the Schedule, item relating to Waitakere Ranges Regional Park,—

- (a) replace “**Waitakere Ranges Regional Park**” with “**Waitākere Ranges Regional Park**”; and
- (b) after the item relating to GN B116049.1 (NZ *Gazette* 1982 p 3115), insert:

1152181 (part)	1.6300	Section 1 SO 575391
1152181 (part)	0.7964	Section 3 SO 575391

- (14) In the Schedule, item relating to Whakatiwai Regional Park, replace “**Whakatiwai Regional Park**” with “**Whakatīwai Regional Park**”.

Schedule Further parks included

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Ōrere Point Regional Park—Ara Tawhitokino

NA84B/529	1.4802	Lot 1 DP 142191
NA820/84	2.8113	Part Lot 1 DP 23701

Platt Arboretum

NA56C/1043	2.4579	Lot 12 DP 102715
NA56C/1042	3.1720	Lot 11 DP 102715

Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order, which comes into force on 30 July 2026, amends the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Order 2008 (the **principal order**). The principal order protects, in perpetuity, the regional parks described in the Schedule of that order from disposition (whether by sale or otherwise).

This order amends the principal order by—

- adding 2 new parks to the list of regional parks that are protected in perpetuity (Ōrere Point Regional Park—Ara Tawhitokino and Platt Arboretum); and
- adding new parcels of land to 8 existing regional parks (Long Bay Regional Park, Mahurangi Regional Park, Ōmana Regional Park, Pākiri Regional Park, Te Ārai Regional Park, Te Muri Regional Park, Te Rau Pūriri Regional Park, and Waitākere Ranges Regional Park); and
- correcting the spelling of the names of 10 regional parks (Āwhitu Regional Park, Ōmana Regional Park, Pākiri Regional Park, Tāpapakanga Regional Park, Tāwharanui Regional Park, Tawhitokino Regional Park, Te Ārai Regional Park, Te Rau Pūriri Regional Park, Waitākere Ranges Regional Park, and Whakatīwai Regional Park).

Issued under the authority of the Legislation Act 2019.

Date of notification in *Gazette*:

This order is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs.

Appendix C: New Auckland Land

Pursuant to Section 139 Local Government Act 2002 parks to be protected in perpetuity
Newly purchased regional park land to include in existing Order.

Mahurangi Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
877233	91.9040	Lot 2 DP 533576
788131	0.0267	Section 1 SO Plan 498301
765833	0.1492	Section 216, Village of Mahurangi
NA1044/197 (Part cancelled)	0.2765	Allotments 212 and 213, Village of Mahurangi
NZ Gazette 2022-In 1557	0.6197	Lot 15 DP 44711
NA7A/341	20.3355	Lot 1 DP 28362

Te Ārai Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
970636 (part)	0.4975	Lot 303 DP 547805
970636 (part)	3.5010	Lot 2 DP 138522
970636 (part)	143.3600	Lot 300 DP 547805
970636 (part)	5.2312	Lot 3 DP 138522
970636 (part)	1.2559	Lot 4 DP 138522
NA16B/668 (Limited as to parcels)	8.5237	Lot 1 DP 59556
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709395	0.0327	Lot 303 DP 483489
701935	68.4523	Lot 302 DP 483489
701934	124.9023	Lot 301 DP 483489
709394	23.5809	Lot 300 DP 483489

Ōrere Point Regional Park – Ara Tawhitokino

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
NA84B/529	1.4802	Lot 1 DP 142191
NA820/84	2.8113	Part Lot 1 DP 23701

Pākiri Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
NA116C/119	8.5960	Lot 3 DP 117489
NA116C/119	0.0609	Lot 1 DP 185887
NA116C/119	20.8520	Lot 2 DP 117489

Te Muri Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
NA26A/816	5.6276	Lot 2 DP 62419
Proclamation A477601	7.7901	Lot 3 DP 54981
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Te Rau Pūriri Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
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NA127C/672	1.7210	Lot 1 DP 198815
503014	3.8261	Lot 1 DP 426156
503015	11.3777	Lot 2 DP 426156

Ōmana Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
NA1160/42	1.2709	Part Allotment 79, Parish of Maraetai
NZ <i>Gazette</i> 1963, p 610	0.1292	Closed Road SO 43591

Long Bay Regional Park

Record title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
623240	11.6092	Section 5 SO 460210
623240	7.2930	Section 2 SO 460210
706005	0.3456	Section 3 SO 460210

Platt Arboretum

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
NA56C/1043	2.4579	Lot 12 DP 102715
NA56C/1042	3.1720	Lot 11 DP 102715

Waitakere Ranges Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
1152181 (part)	1.6300	Section 1 SO 575391
1152181 (part)	0.7964	Section 3 SO 575391

Appendix D: Amended Auckland Land

Pursuant to Section 139 Local Government Act 2002 park to be protected in perpetuity

A recently identified parcel of land which forms part of the following existing Park was wrongly omitted when additions to the schedule of the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Order 2008 were made in 2014 via the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2014. Auckland Council now desires to include this land in the existing Order.

Long Bay Regional Park

Record of title reference	Area (ha)	Legal description
180350	38.4784	Section 1 SO 70452



Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 and Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026

Portfolio **Local Government**

On 25 June 2026, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 provides that the Minister of Local Government may, at the request of the relevant regional council, recommend that the Governor-General declares, by Order in Council, a regional park to be protected in perpetuity from disposition;
- 2 **noted** that Bay of Plenty Regional Council has requested that an Order in Council be made under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 to protect 103 hectares of land on Hot Springs Road, gifted to the Council in 2024, in perpetuity;
- 3 **noted** that the Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 will give effect to the request referred to in paragraph 2 above;
- 4 **noted** that Auckland Council has requested that an Order in Council be made under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 to protect the land set out in Appendices C and D to the paper under LEG-26-SUB-0134 in perpetuity;
- 5 **noted** that the Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026 will give effect to the request referred to in paragraph 4 above;
- 6 **noted** the advice of the Minister of Local Government that the requirements under section 139 of the Local Government Act 2002 for recommending that the Orders in Council be made have been met;
- 7 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the:
 - 7.1 Local Government (Hot Springs Road Regional Park) Order 2026 [PCO 26928/5.0];
 - 7.2 Local Government (Auckland Regional Parks) Amendment Order 2026 [PCO 28847/6.0];
- 8 **noted** that both of the above Orders will come into force on 30 July 2026.

Sam Moffett
Committee Secretary

(see over for attendance)

Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Scott Simpson (Chair)
Hon Chris Bishop
Hon Paul Goldsmith
Hon Chris Penk
Hon Brooke van Velden
Hon Casey Costello
Hon James Meager
Hon Cameron Brewer
Hon Mike Butterick
Stuart Smith MP
Jamie Arbuckle MP

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