



Education Report: Establishing a Leadership Centre within the Teaching Council – Draft Cabinet Paper

To:	Hon Chris Hipkins, Minister of Education		
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Purpose of Report

This report:

- **Responds** to the request from your office for a draft Cabinet paper (attached as Annex 1) seeking Cabinet approval to rescind its decision of 21 October 2019 to establish a Leadership Centre or College within the redesigned Ministry of Education [SWC-19-MIN-0153 refers], and instead invite the Teaching Council to establish a Leadership Centre to drive the implementation of its Leadership Strategy and Educational Leadership Capability Framework
- **Seeks** your feedback on the draft so that it can be considered by Cabinet on 4 November 2019 and the revised decisions to be included in the Government's position on the reform of Tomorrow's Schools, due to be publicly announced on Wednesday, 13 November 2019.

Recommended actions

The Ministry of Education recommends that you:

- a. **note** that we have prepared a draft Cabinet paper inviting the Teaching Council to establish a Leadership Centre (attached at Annex 1)

Noted

- b. **provide** us with feedback on the draft by Wednesday, 30 October so that the paper can be considered by Cabinet on 4 November 2019

Agree / Disagree

Proactive release recommendation

- c. **agree** that this Education Report and attachments will be proactively released after the public release of the Taskforce's final report and Government position document.

Agree / Disagree



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Hon Chris Hipkins
Minister of Education

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Establishing a Leadership Centre within the Teaching Council

1. On 16 October 2019, as part of decisions on the Government's position on the reform of Tomorrow's Schools, Cabinet agreed in principle, subject to resourcing in Budget 2020 or subsequent Budgets, to establish a Leadership Centre or College within the redesigned Ministry of Education to grow and lift the capability of all leaders [SWC-19-MIN-0153 refers].
2. Following subsequent discussions with the Teaching Council of Aotearoa New Zealand (the Teaching Council), you have asked us to prepare a draft Cabinet paper for consideration by Cabinet on 4 November 2019, that seeks agreement to establish a Leadership Centre within the Teaching Council instead.
3. We understand that the Teaching Council wishes to establish a Leadership Centre to advance its work on strengthening leadership, including driving the implementation of its Leadership Strategy and its Educational Leadership Capability Framework.
4. We also understand that the Leadership Centre as an "entity" is to be separated from the functions envisaged for the Leadership College or Centre in the Tomorrow's Schools Cabinet paper and that these functions will remain with the redesigned Ministry.
5. In terms of funding for the Leadership Centre, the draft Cabinet paper communicates an expectation that any new activities undertaken by the Teaching Council will be funded through the Council's power to set fees in accordance with Section 383 of the Education Act 1989.
6. We note that due to the tight timeframes for preparing and lodging the Cabinet paper, only limited consultation with other agencies will be possible.

Timing of release of Government's position on reform of Tomorrow's Schools.

7. As previously agreed with your office, we are preparing the Government response to the reform of Tomorrow's Schools for public release on 13 November 2019. These changes have implications for the Government position document, in particular the preparation of the document in other languages and accessible formats which have already been commissioned and are underway due to the time required for the work to be completed.
8. As requested by your office, we have attached a copy of the proposed changes to the Government's position document as Annex 2. Subject to your agreement, we will attach the revised wording as an Annex to the Cabinet paper.
9. Following a Cabinet decision, we will liaise directly with your office to confirm the changes that need to be made to the Government's position document and what will be possible for other languages and accessible formats for 13 November 2019.
10. Cabinet has also agreed to the proactive release of the Tomorrow's Schools Cabinet papers. Communications will need to be developed to explain the change in decisions on the establishment of the Leadership Centre.

Annexes

- Annex 1: Draft Cabinet paper – Reform of Tomorrow's Schools: Establishing a Leadership Centre within the Teaching Council of Aotearoa New Zealand
- Annex 2: Proposed changes to the Government's position document