

Minutes – Wednesday 11 November

Meeting Details

Members in Attendance	MBIE: Peter Crabtree (chair), Simon Rae, Prue Williams	MFAT: David Taylor
	MOH: John Whaanga , Chris James (Medsafe)	PHARMAC: Lisa Williams
	Treasury: Jess Hewat	DPMC: Sasha O’Dea, Philippa Yasbek
	STAG: Ian Town, David Murdoch	
Apologies	Maree Roberts, James Usher	
Additional attendees	MBIE: Karl Ferguson, Poppy Haynes, Alastair Mackay, Stephanie Symynuk, Zachary Clarke, MFAT: Glenys Karran, MOH Allison Bennett, Kelvin Watson , PHARMAC: Andrew Oliver	

Action Points

1 Welcome and review of Actions

- ACTION: Andrew Oliver to organise a meeting of the modellers in TPM, PHARMAC and other groups to agree way forward

2 COVAX Purchase plan and decision rules

- AGREED the approach to dealing with the first 3 COVAX Vaccines as laid out in the paper.
- NOTE: Ensure brief to ministers is expedited and that it loops in Ministers Hipkins and Mahuta

3 Immunisation programme

- NOTED the Vaccine Strategy Taskforce supports the Immunisation programme decision on the planning assumption for the earliest start for the Immunisation programme being 1 March 2021
- ACTION: Chris James to provide an overview of Medsafe’s process to the next meeting.
- ACTION: Allison Bennett to circulate Sequencing paper once approved.

4 Update on vaccine candidate engagement

- AGREED: Approach to the next 3 APA’s was endorsed
- AGREED: Approach to candidates on a slower path was also endorsed

5 Outline of vaccine purchasing cabinet paper

- NOTED: Feedback to Simon on funding, need for a recommended option, inclusion of more background information.
- ACTION: Prepare a plan for the first quarter of 2021

6 Project status update

- No action

7 Communications and stakeholder update

- ACTION: Karl to prepare a brief to Ministers on the communications and engagement plan for the end-to-end approach to vaccine purchasing and rollout

8 COVAX and International

- No actions

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