

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern

Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage

AIDE MEMOIRE: NATIONAL EREBUS MEMORIAL

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Purpose

To provide background to a number of issues to be discussed with officials at the meeting scheduled for 12 September 2018. The August update [BR2018/471] sought your agreement to a number of these issues and is attached to this Aide Memoire.

Budget

How much will the memorial cost?

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Options for sources of funding

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Timing is critical

- The critical issue for the timing of any funding decision is not Treasury process deadlines but the need to launch the *Call for Ideas* design selection process.
- If the memorial is to be completed by May 2020, the *Call for Ideas* will need to begin in October 2018. A decision on both site and budget is required.

How will the funding be secured?

- 9(2)(g)(i)

Site

A decision on the site is needed in order to launch the Call for Ideas

- We have sought your confirmation that you support the Parnell Rose Gardens as the preferred site for the memorial. See BR2018/471.
- MCH is working with Auckland Council to get agreement in principle for this site, contingent on you confirming your preference.

Design Selection Panel

Who will chair the panel?

- We have nominations for two of the positions and are working with Auckland Council on nominations for two more. These four positions provide the requisite technical expertise – architect, landscape architect, urban designer, arts professional such as curator.
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- We have recommended [BR2018/471] that [REDACTED] be appointed to chair the panel and seek your views on whether you would like us to advance this idea.

Meeting with Family Members

- We are working closely with your office to arrange the meeting on 28 November. Air New Zealand is assisting with airfares for those not based in Auckland.
- You have also agreed to meet with 9 (2) (a)
This will be arranged to take place before the 28 November meeting.

Next steps

- The matters raised above are for discussion at the meeting with officials on 12 September.
- We will prepare a Cabinet paper either seeking a specific amount you are comfortable with or providing a range of cost options for your Cabinet colleagues to decide from.

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