

Vote Disabled People

APPROPRIATION MINISTER(S): Minister for Disability Issues (M23)

DEPARTMENT ADMINISTERING THE VOTE: Ministry of Disabled People (A43)

RESPONSIBLE MINISTER FOR MINISTRY OF DISABLED PEOPLE: Minister for Disability Issues

Overview of the Vote

The Minister for Disability Issues is responsible for the appropriations under Vote Disabled People for the 2025/26 financial year covering a total of just over \$20 million to improve the lives of Disabled People.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-4.

Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections

Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure			
Improving the lives of disabled people MCA (M23) (A43) The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to improve the lives of disabled people in New Zealand.	16,190	10,571	20,411
Departmental Output Expenses <i>System-level leadership, strategic policy advice and stewardship</i> This category is limited to system-level stewardship and monitoring of disabled people's outcomes across government, strategic policy advice for Ministers, supporting government relationships with the disability community, and coordinating the government's alternate formats accessibility work.	15,323	10,504	18,715
Non-Departmental Other Expenses <i>Disabled community development and capability-building</i> This category is limited to grants and financial assistance towards disabled community development and capability-building activities.	867	67	1,696
Total Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure	16,190	10,571	20,411
Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations	16,190	10,571	20,411

Capital Injection Authorisations

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Ministry of Disabled People - Capital Injection (M23) (A43)	520	520	-

Supporting Information

Part 1 - Vote as a Whole

This part provides trend information for the vote.

1.2 - Trends in the Vote

Summary of Financial Activity

	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25		2025/26			2026/27	2027/28	2028/29
	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Actual \$000	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Departmental Transactions Budget \$000	Non- Departmental Transactions Budget \$000	Total Budget \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000	Estimated \$000
Appropriations												
Output Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)												
<i>Output Expenses</i>	-	-	14,691	14,763	15,323	10,504	18,715	-	18,715	18,715	18,715	18,715
<i>Other Expenses</i>	-	-	-	1,018	867	67	-	1,696	1,696	1,696	1,696	1,696
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	-	-	14,691	15,781	16,190	10,571	18,715	1,696	20,411	20,411	20,411	20,411
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts												
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A	-	-	-	-	-

Note - where restructuring of the vote has occurred then, to the extent practicable, prior years information has been restated as if the restructuring had occurred before the beginning of the period covered. In this instance Total Appropriations for the Budgeted and Estimated Actual year may not equal Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations and Multi-Year Appropriations in the Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections.

Adjustments to the Summary of Financial Activity Table Due to Vote Restructuring

	2020/21 Adjustments \$000	2021/22 Adjustments \$000	2022/23 Adjustments \$000	2023/24 Adjustments \$000	2024/25 Final Budgeted Adjustments \$000	2024/25 Estimated Actual Adjustments \$000
Appropriations						
Output Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Benefits or Related Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure (MCA)						
<i>Output Expenses</i>	-	-	14,691	14,763	-	-
<i>Other Expenses</i>	-	-	-	1,018	-	-
<i>Capital Expenditure</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations	-	-	14,691	15,781	-	-
Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts						
Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	-

The prior year information in the Summary of Financial Activity table has been restated to reflect the current Vote structure. Vote Disabled People was established from 1 December 2024 with a transfer of funding from Vote Social Development. Figures have been restated back to 2022/23 only. Prior to 2022/23 the functions were delivered through Vote Health. Details of the 2022/23 restructuring can be found in The Estimates of Appropriations 2022/23 for Vote Social Development.

Note - Vote Disabled People was established from 1 December 2024 with a transfer of funding from Vote Social Development. The percentage of each category of the MCA's transferred was used to estimate the historical trend for comparative purposes. In this instance Total Appropriations for the Budgeted and Estimated Actual year will not equal Total Annual Appropriations and Forecast Permanent Appropriations and Multi-Year Appropriations in the Details of Appropriations and Capital Injections representing the value retained in Vote Social Development for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 November 2024.

1.3 - Analysis of Significant Trends

Details of significant movements within each appropriation type are detailed below:

Output Expenses

Vote Disabled People was established from 1 December 2024 with a transfer of funding from Vote Social Development. Prior to 2022/23 the functions were delivered through Vote Health.

Part 4 - Details of Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

4 - Multi-Category Expenses and Capital Expenditure

Improving the lives of disabled people (M23) (A43)

Overarching Purpose Statement

The single overarching purpose of this appropriation is to improve the lives of disabled people in New Zealand.

Scope of Appropriation

Departmental Output Expenses

System-level leadership, strategic policy advice and stewardship

This category is limited to system-level stewardship and monitoring of disabled people's outcomes across government, strategic policy advice for Ministers, supporting government relationships with the disability community, and coordinating the government's alternate formats accessibility work.

Non-Departmental Other Expenses

Disabled community development and capability-building

This category is limited to grants and financial assistance towards disabled community development and capability-building activities.

Expenses, Revenue and Capital Expenditure

	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Total Appropriation	16,190	10,571	20,411
Departmental Output Expenses			
System-level leadership, strategic policy advice and stewardship	15,323	10,504	18,715
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Disabled community development and capability-building	867	67	1,696
Funding for Departmental Output Expenses			
Revenue from the Crown	15,323	15,323	18,715
System-level leadership, strategic policy advice and stewardship	15,323	15,323	18,715

Comparators for Restructured Appropriation

Vote, Type and Title of Appropriation	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Vote Social Development: Multi-category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Departmental Output Expenses: Stewardship of the Disability System	3,177	3,177	-
Vote Social Development: Multi-category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Non-Departmental Other Expenses: Community Capacity and Support	829	829	-
Vote Social Development: Multi-category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Improved Employment and Social Outcomes Support MCA: Departmental Output Expenses: Improving Employment Outcomes	215	215	-
Vote Disabled People: Multi-category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Departmental Output Expenses: System-level leadership, strategic policy advice and stewardship	15,323	10,504	18,715
Vote Disabled People: Multi-category Expenses and Capital Expenditure: Non-Departmental Other Expenses: Disabled community development and capability-building	867	67	1,696
Total	20,411	14,792	20,411

What is Intended to be Achieved with this Appropriation

This appropriation is intended to achieve meaningful change with disabled people, tāngata whaikaha Māori and their whānau through system leadership and societal change, strategic policy, system level monitoring, disability information and advice, and support Government agencies to connect with diverse needs of disabled people.

What is Intended to be Achieved with each Category and How Performance will be Assessed

Assessment of Performance	2024/25		2025/26
	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Departmental Output Expenses			
System-level leadership, strategic policy advice and stewardship			
Average score attained from a sample of the Ministry's written policy advice as assessed using the agreed Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet Framework	At least 3.5/5.0	At least 3.5/5.0	At least 3.5/5.0
Ministerial satisfaction with the policy advice service	At least 4/5	At least 4/5	At least 4/5
Number of disability data and insights products published on the Ministry website	New measure	New measure	10
The Ministry provides and maintains guidance on inclusive recruitment for use across government	New measure	New measure	Achieved
Activities that support the community to engage on public policy and services through standard Ministry advisory groups, community consultation meetings, and engagements facilitated between disabled people and other government organisations	New measure	New measure	At least 20

	2024/25		2025/26
Assessment of Performance	Final Budgeted Standard	Estimated Actual	Budget Standard
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Disabled community development and capability-building			
Grants and contracts arrangements are monitored and assessed in line with contractual requirements	New measure	New measure	100%

End of Year Performance Reporting

Performance information for this appropriation will be reported by the Ministry of Disabled People Annual Report.

Current and Past Policy Initiatives

Policy Initiative	Year of First Impact	2024/25 Final Budgeted \$000	2025/26 Budget \$000	2026/27 Estimated \$000	2027/28 Estimated \$000	2028/29 Estimated \$000
Current Government						
Departmental Output Expenses						
Transfer of funding from Vote Social Development to Vote Disabled People	2024/25	15,323	18,715	18,715	18,715	18,715
Non-Departmental Other Expenses						
Transfer of funding from Vote Social Development to Vote Disabled People	2024/25	867	1,696	1,696	1,696	1,696

Reasons for Change in Appropriation

The increase in this appropriation from 2025/26 is due to:

- \$7.981 million reflecting the full-year impact of a fiscally neutral transfer from the Ministry of Social Development to fund the stand-alone Ministry of Disabled People
- The cessation of \$3.760 million one-off establishment funding in 2024/25.