

# New Zealand Flag revised timetable (subject to Cabinet decisions February 2015)

## Key groups/ work areas

- CABINET**  
Decisions as required
- RESPONSIBLE MINISTER ("RM")**  
Oversight of and lead for process  
Power to act in some areas  
Supported and advised by officials
- CROSS-PARTY MPS' GROUP ("CPG")**  
Important to have multi-party involvement  
Members nominated by Party leaders  
First: nominations to RM for FCP members  
Second: advise on referenda process (legislation)  
Supported and advised by officials
- FLAG CONSIDERATION PANEL ("FCP")**  
Appointed by Cabinet on RMs' advice, informed by CPG's nominations  
Engages with the public in the flag discussion  
Reports on findings and alternative flag designs  
Comms role continues in referenda lead-up  
Supported by Project Secretariat
- OFFICIALS' COMMITTEE**  
Support for RM and Cabinet as required  
Policy advice to CPG
- PROJECT SECRETARIAT (in DPMC)**  
Primary support role: the FCP  
Support to Officials' Committee as required
- PUBLIC INFORMATION AND CONSULTATION**  
High-level of public interest and participation required for process to be successful, enduring  
Pre-referenda: led by FCP  
Once referenda process decided: led by Electoral Commission, with support from FCP
- REFERENDA PROCESS**  
CPG has ongoing role in advising on best referenda process (legislation)  
Requires enabling legislation, and support from the Electoral Commission
- NEW ZEALAND FLAG REFERENDUMS BILL**  
Enables referenda, and provision for amendment to existing legislation (if required)  
Supported by CPG, RM, Officials' Committee, PCO

