

Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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The Oranga Tamariki Action Plan

Portfolio Children

On 30 March 2022, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- noted that the Oranga Tamariki Action Plan attached under SWC-22-SUB-0041 (the Action Plan) sets out how chief executives and their agencies will work together to achieve the outcomes set in the Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy for the core populations of interest to Oranga Tamariki, as required by the Children's Act 2014;
- 2 **noted** that the Action Plan has been endorsed by the Social Wellbeing Board and Child and Youth Wellbeing Strategy Ministers, and approved by the Minister of Children (the Minister);
- **noted** that Oranga Tamariki social workers are held to account by Family and Youth Courts for the delivery of actions that sit within the remit of other agencies;
- **noted** that it is the responsibility of various agencies to jointly meet the needs of priority populations, and it is the Minister's expectation that if Oranga Tamariki identifies an issue that another agency is responsible for, that agency will pull out all the stops to resolve it as soon as possible;
- noted that the Action Plan includes a focus on prevention, encourages agencies to act as one team, supports partnership and collaboration with hapū, iwi, and Māori organisations, and aims to shift decision making on service and system design to a local, community, or regional level;
- **noted** that the Action Plan will support iwi and communities to experience increased coordinated support from agencies, families and whānau to have increased access to the services and supports they need, and children and young people to have their wellbeing supported and their needs met;
- 7 **noted** that delivery of the Action Plan is also a mechanism to support the transformation of Oranga Tamariki and the delivery of the Oranga Tamariki Future Direction Plan;
- 8 **endorsed** the Action Plan attached under SWC-22-SUB-0041;
- directed relevant agencies to work in conjunction with Oranga Tamariki to identify options to improve access to services to meet the needs of priority populations;

10 **noted** that Oranga Tamariki intends to publish the Action Plan on its website.

Rachel Clarke Committee Secretary

Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern Hon Kelvin Davis Hon Dr Megan Woods Hon Chris Hipkins Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair) Hon Andrew Little

Hon Poto Williams

Hon Jan Tinetti

Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall

Hon Aupito William Sio

Hon Meka Whaitiri

Hon Priyanca Radhakrishnan

Officials present from:

Office of the Prime Minister Office of the Chair Officials Committee for SWC