



Cabinet

Minute of Decision

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The Oranga Tamariki Action Plan

Portfolio **Children**

On 4 April 2022, following reference from the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee, Cabinet:

- 1 **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);
- 3 **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;
- 4 **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;
- 5 **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;
- 6 **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;
- 9 **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, and the accompanying Implementation Plan, on its website once the Implementation Plan is finalised.

Michael Webster
Secretary of the Cabinet

Secretary's Note: This minute replaces SWC-22-MIN-0041. Cabinet agreed to amend paragraph 10.
