

# Aide-mémoire



**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL  
DEVELOPMENT**  
TE MANATŪ WHAKAHIATO ORA

## Meeting

**Date:** 27 July 2021 **Security Level:** IN CONFIDENCE

**For:** Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Social Development and  
Employment

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## Pre-meet with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs

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**Meeting/visit details** 3:25pm-4:25pm, 4 August 2021, Executive Wing 6.6, Office of  
Hon Carmel Sepuloni

**Expected attendees**

Pou Tangata

Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Social Development and  
Employment, Pou Tangata Ministerial Lead

Dame Rangimārie Naida Glavish, Pou Tangata Co-Chair

Rahui Papa, Pou Tangata Co-Chair (via Zoom)

Pou Tangata Iwi Leaders Group (ILG) Advisors

Lorraine Toki, Pou Tangata Lead Advisor

Kirikōwhai Mikaere, Data ILG Lead Advisor (via Zoom)

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**Purpose of meeting/visit**

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss:

- the progress of Pou Tangata priorities for the quarter period May – August 2021; and
- prepare your joint report back with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs for the National Iwi Chairs Forum quarterly hui on 6 August 2021 in Whanganui.

To support your meeting, attached to this Aide Memoire includes:

- **Appendix One:** Agenda
- **Appendix Two:** Annotated Agenda
- **Appendix Three:** Pou Tangata Status Report

Additional supporting information is also attached, including:

- Pou Tangata PowerPoint Presentation
  - Skills and Employment Backpocket Notes
  - Mātauranga Māori Marae Ora Fund
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**Background**

In your role as Pou Tangata Ministerial Lead, you have committed to meet with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs on a quarterly basis in preparation for each National Iwi Chairs Forum (NICF) quarterly hui.

At your previous pre-meet on 4 May 2021 with Dame Naida Glavish, you invited agencies' officials to attend the next pre-meet to provide a verbal update on their responsible priority area.

As Pou Tangata CE Lead, Debbie Power, extended the invitation to other Pou Tangata CEs and the respective Iwi Leaders Group (ILG) Lead Advisors as per the NICF - Crown Rangatira ki te Rangatira engagement protocols.

The meeting will be structured in two parts:

**Part One:** *focuses on the relationship between the Minister and Pou Tangata Co-Chairs*

Lorraine Toki, Pou Tangata Lead Advisor, emphasised the importance of dedicated time to build and strengthen the relationship between you and the Pou Tangata Co-Chairs.

The first part of the meeting will provide for an opportunity to discuss:

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- the general health of the relationship across the Pou;
  - any matters of interest or concern; and
  - the strategic direction of Pou Tangata.

Both Debbie and Lorraine will attend this part of the meeting.

At this stage, Dame Naida Glavish will be attending in person, while Rahui Papa will attend via Zoom.

**Part Two:** *verbal updates from Pou Tangata CEs and Lead Advisors will be provided (via Zoom)*

CEs and Lead Advisors will Zoom into the second part of the meeting to provide a verbal update on their responsible priority.

A Zoom option has been made available to address the issues of:

- travel - many of the Lead Advisors will be in Whanganui for days one and two of the NICF quarterly hui;
- preservation of time between you and the Pou Tangata Co-Chairs; and
- room capacity.

This meeting will help inform and prepare for your joint presentation with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs to the NICF on 6 August 2021.

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## Key issues

### **Pou Tangata work programme**

Each CE is responsible for developing and implementing their individual work programmes alongside NICF Lead Advisors.

On 28 June 2021, Pou Tangata CEs and Lead Advisors convened their quarterly meeting where verbal updates were provided on their responsible priorities.

Pou Tangata Lead Advisors and Agencies have also provided status reports on their responsible priority to inform:

1. Te Arawhiti's joint Ministerial briefing pack for the NICF quarterly hui on 6 August 2021
  - Pou Tangata priority status updates are attached as **Appendix Three: Pou Tangata Status Report**
  - Note that you will receive a copy of Te Arawhiti's joint Ministerial briefing pack via the Office of Hon Kelvin Davis
2. Your joint report back PowerPoint presentation with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs
  - This PowerPoint presentation is also attached.
  - Note that this may be subject to change following your pre-meet with the Pou Tangata Co-Chairs.

These attachments will support your conversation with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs, agencies' CEs and Lead Advisors when updates are provided in Part Two of the meeting.

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### **Mātauranga Māori Marae Ora Fund**

In your role as Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage, the Office requested that information on the Mātauranga Māori Marae Ora Fund be circulated with the NICF.

The MSD Pou Tangata Secretariat shared this information with Lorraine, which was then forwarded to the NICF secretariat. This information was circulated twice; however, it is unknown who from the NICF applied for this fund. No feedback was received from the NICF.

The ad hoc advice your office provided on the Mātauranga Māori Marae Ora fund is included in this pack.

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#### **Next steps**

1. MSD Officials will update the PowerPoint presentation to reflect the conversations from your pre-meet with Pou Tangata Co-Chairs, agencies' CEs and Lead Advisors.
2. You are scheduled to attend the NICF quarterly hui on 6 August 2021 in Whanganui.
3. Te Arawhiti will provide you with a joint Ministerial briefing pack via Hon Kelvin Davis' Office.

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## Appendix One: Agenda



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# Agenda

## Pou Tangata Co-Chairs and Minister Sepuloni Pre-Meet

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1	<b>Welcome</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karakia timatanga – Manaia King</li> <li>• Introductions</li> </ul>	3 minutes	Manaia King and Minister Sepuloni
2	<b>Catch up</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress since the previous quarter</li> <li>• Health of the relationship</li> <li>• Matters of interest</li> </ul>	20 minutes	Minister and Chairs
3	<b>Priority status updates</b> <i>Refer to Pou Tangata Status Report.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEs and Lead Advisors to be admitted into meeting via Zoom</li> <li>• CEs and Lead Advisors to provide verbal updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Data:</b> Kirikōwhai Mikaere and Mark Sowden</li> <li>- <b>Whānau Ora:</b> Dr Amohia Boulton and Dave Samuels</li> <li>- <b>Mātauranga:</b> s 9(2)(a) and Iona Holsted</li> <li>- <b>Oranga Tamariki:</b> Tania Blyth-Williams and Tā Wira Gardiner</li> <li>- <b>Skills and Employment:</b> Lorraine Toki and Debbie Power</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	25 minutes	CEs and Lead Advisors
4	<b>Report back presentation</b> <i>Refer to Pou Tangata PowerPoint Presentation.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final thoughts</li> </ul>	10 minutes	Minister and Chairs
5	<b>Close</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karakia whakamutunga – Manaia King</li> </ul>	2 minutes	Manaia King

## Appendix Two: Annotated Agenda

# Annotated Agenda



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2	<p><b>Catch up</b></p> <p><u>Progress since the previous quarter</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We were able to catch up briefly at the Pou Chairs and Pou Ministers meeting last week (Monday 26 July 2021) and touched on the progress made since the previous quarter.</li> <li>• We will be joined by the other Pou Tangata Lead Advisors and their equivalent CEs shortly via Zoom to provide a more fulsome update on their responsible priority.</li> <li>• Generally, it seems as though things are progressing, and decisions have been made as to how we intend on proceeding forward together.</li> <li>• The Skills and Employment Iwi Leaders Group (ILG) met with MSD Deputy Chief Executives and their teams to workshop and agree to focus areas for the joint work programme.</li> <li>• There has been mutual agreement by CEs and Lead Advisors on the redirection of the priorities regarding Oranga Tamariki and Whānau Ora.</li> <li>• Stats NZ and the Data ILG continue to deliver their 2020/21 work programme which has been extended to November 2021 to continue the work that is underway and will look to confirm their 2021/22 work programme later this month.</li> <li>• Meanwhile, the Mātauranga ILG is engaged with a number of parts of the Education sector. I understand that the Ministry of Education and the Mātauranga ILG have shared mutual priorities and a work</li> </ul>	20 minutes	Minister and Chairs

	<p>programme for Mātauranga will be agreed to in the next quarter.</p> <p><i>Open to Pou Tangata Co-Chairs for comment.</i></p> <p><u>Health of the relationship</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• While there is always room for improvement, the engagement and progress made to date, I believe reflects the Crown's renewed commitment to the NICF.</li> </ul> <p><i>Open to Pou Tangata Co-Chairs for comment.</i></p> <p><u>Matters of interest</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are there any other matters you would like to discuss before we invite the Lead Advisors and CEs into the meeting?</li> </ul>		
3	<p><b>Priority status updates</b></p> <p><i>Refer to Pou Tangata Status Report.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will bring the CEs and Lead Advisors into the meeting via Zoom now.</li> <li>• I will call on each Lead Advisor and CE to provide a verbal update.</li> </ul> <p><i>Minister's officials to admit CEs and Lead Advisors on Zoom.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tēnā koutou katoa.</li> <li>• This is the first time I am meeting many of you, thank you all for joining us.</li> <li>• I am conscious of the time as I have to leave for Parliamentary Questions at 4:25pm, but I am interested to hear how your responsible priority areas are tracking.</li> <li>• I will invite you all individually to provide a quick update.</li> </ul> <p><i>CEs and Lead Advisors to provide verbal updates:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Data:</b> Kirikōwhai Mikaere and Mark Sowden</li> <li>- <b>Whānau Ora:</b> Dr Amohia Boulton and Dave Samuels</li> <li>- <b>Mātauranga:</b> s 9(2)(a) and Iona Holsted</li> <li>- <b>Oranga Tamariki:</b> Tania Blyth-Williams and Tā Wira Gardiner</li> <li>- <b>Skills and Employment:</b> Lorraine Toki and Debbie Power</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ngā mihi nui. I hope we continue this momentum in the next quarter and look forward to meeting with you all again, some sooner than others (in Whanganui).</li> </ul>	25 minutes <i>(5 minutes per priority)</i>	CEs and Lead Advisors

4	<p><b>Report back presentation</b></p> <p><i>Refer to Pou Tangata PowerPoint Presentation.</i></p> <p><u>Final thoughts</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I understand that you would have all received a copy of the PowerPoint presentation which agencies and Lead Advisors have contributed to.</li> <li>• Do we think the PowerPoint reflects today's discussion? If needed, my officials will update these.</li> </ul>	10 minutes	Minister and Chairs
5	<p><b>Close</b></p> <p><u>Karakia whakamutunga – Manaia King</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I look forward to seeing you all in a couple of days in Whanganui.</li> <li>• Manaia, can you close our hui please?</li> </ul>	2 minutes	Manaia King

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## Appendix Three: Pou Tangata Status Report

### Pou Tangata Secretariat

#### Key Points

As part of strengthening the foundations of the relationships within Pou Tangata:

- Debbie and Lorraine continue to have monthly relationship meetings to discuss the overall health of the relationship within Pou Tangata and how priorities are progressing.
- Since the last quarter, Lorraine has weekly catch ups with MSD officials to discuss matters of interest and progress actions from meetings that have occurred at all levels.
- Debbie and Lorraine convened a quarterly meeting with Pou Tangata ILG Lead Advisors and CEs on 28 June 2021 where verbal updates were provided on their responsible priorities.
- Minister Sepuloni and Pou Tangata Co-Chairs met on 4 August 2021 to discuss the progress for the May-August 2021 quarter. At their previous quarterly pre-meeting, Minister Sepuloni extended the invitation to agencies' officials to provide a verbal update on their respective priority. At the pre-meeting on 4 August, CEs and Lead Advisors attended. At this meeting, it was also agreed that Minister Sepuloni and Co-Chairs will meet for dinner.
- MSD officials have been working with Lorraine Toki to draft a Pou Tangata relationship agreement which sets out how agencies and Pou Tangata ILGs intend to work together to progress Pou Tangata priorities. This will be circulated with Pou Tangata ILGs and Lead Advisors for input and will be finalised in the next August – November quarter.

## COVID-19 Recovery – Skills and Employment

### Key Points

- A Skills and Employment Iwi Leaders Group (ILG) has recently been established to develop and work alongside the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) to deliver a joint Skills and Employment work programme
- The Skills and Employment ILG met with MSD's Deputy Chief Executives and their respective teams on the 26 and 27 July 2021 to scope focus areas for a joint work programme.

### Background

Given the global impact of COVID-19 and the critical importance of COVID-19 Recovery, this was introduced as a new priority area under Pou Tangata in December 2020. It was later agreed by Dame Naida Glavish, Rahui Papa (Pou Tangata Co-Chairs) and Minister Sepuloni (Pou Tangata Ministerial Lead) that the priority will have a specific focus on Skills and Employment.

### Current Progress

- Initial conversations between Lorraine and Debbie emphasised that the Skills and Employment work programme take a whānau ora approach and make a difference to whānau wellbeing. This was endorsed at the May 2021 National Iwi Chairs Forum.
- The Skills and Employment ILG was recently established and met for the first time on 12 July 2021. Membership includes:
  - Member Chairs - Rhonda Kite, Wane Wharerau, Hinemoa Connor and Janis De Thierry
  - Technicians - Carol Berghan, Erena Kara, Shirleyanne Brown, Antony Thompson, Lorraine Toki and Maxine Graham.
- The Skills and Employment ILG are to determine the Lead Advisor and Lead Chair for this ILG.
- The Skills and Employment ILG met with MSD's Deputy Chief Executives and their teams on 26 and 27 July 2021 to share mutual aspirations for the joint work programme, and scope possible focus areas for the work programme under three engagement functions:
  - Monitor – monitoring the impact of existing activities within the Ministry's responsibility
  - Input/advice – providing strategic direction on policies, frameworks, strategies
  - New – areas for collaboration and co-creation
- From this workshop, a criteria for the work programme was jointly developed, which will consider:
  - Existing models that can be replicated and scaled up
  - Regionalised, targeted approaches
  - Whānau centred models (rangatahi, pākeke, kaumātua)
  - Have a national benefit
  - The ability and desirability to influence
  - System level changes and actions
  - Significant impact
  - Overall feasibility
- The Skills and Employment ILG will meet to prioritise the focus areas explored against this criteria.

- The Skills and Employment ILG and MSD commit to present the finalised work programme at the next NICF quarterly hui in November. To support the development of the work programme, MSD intend on hosting the Skills and Employment ILG for an Orientation Day.

*Next steps*

- Orientation Day of MSD with the Skills and Employment ILG.
- Skills and Employment ILG to prioritise focus areas explored in workshops with MSD.
- Skills and Employment ILG and MSD to finalise the details of the work programme to present at the next NICF quarterly hui in November 2021.
- Minister Sepuloni and Pou Tangata Co-Chairs to have a relationship meeting over dinner in the next quarter.

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## Data

### Key Points

- Te Whata, an online storehouse of data designed by iwi for iwi to make iwi data more relevant, accessible, and useful for iwi needs, was relaunched at Parliament with the support of Minister Whaitiri.
- The 2018 Census Iwi-Affiliation Estimated Counts and COVID-19 Benefit series were released and made publicly available on Te Whata.
- The 2023 Census Taumata was established including Data ILG representation and the inaugural hui was hosted by Stats NZ's in late May.
- Te Ara Takatū, a trial Stats NZ initiative service providing access to free, customised, and relevant data to iwi and iwi-related groups has been confirmed as a permanent offering.

### Background

The Mana Ōrite Relationship Agreement was signed between Stats NZ and the Data ILG in October 2019. The agreement describes the Te Tiriti-derived relationship shared by Stats NZ and the Data ILG, as Crown and Māori representatives having equal explanatory power. The agreement is supported by a joint work programme defining annually agreed outcomes.

The 2020-21 Mana Ōrite work programme has been extended to the end of November 2021 to enable work that is underway to be completed.

Stats NZ is now working with the Data ILG to finalise the future (2021-22) work programme. s 9(2)  
(f)(iv)

### Current Progress

- Stats NZ Officials and the Data ILG's Lead Technicians and Chair meet to discuss operational matters on a fortnightly basis.
- The 2020-21 Mana Ōrite Work Programme's work streams include:
  - Māori Data Governance:
    - The co-design of the Māori Data Governance model resulted in two reports. The *Māori Data Governance Co-design Review* reflects on how the co-design process was undertaken, and *Tawhiti Nuku* focuses on the outcomes of the co-design process and recommended next steps. Next steps focus on refining the governance model and planning for implementation. Terms of Reference for an Ohu Raraunga (working group) were ratified and will be established in the next few weeks. The Ohu will focus on developing pae tata and pae tāwhiti (short- and long-term strategic goals), testing projects, and a means of embedding the model.
  - Data Innovation:
    - Te Ara Takatū is now a permanent service for iwi and iwi-related groups.

- Te Whata platform hosts the COVID-19 Benefits series, 2018 Census Iwi-Affiliation Estimated Counts.
- Legal
  - Data ILG has provided comments to Stats NZ on the draft Data and Statistics Bill. Discussions are ongoing.
- 2023 Census
  - Taumata established and inaugural hui was held at Stats NZ's Wellington office at the end of May.
  - High-level approach for Iwi-Led Collections plan is being developed with the Data ILG.
- Specialised Datasets
  - The Te Reo Rangatira RFP has not received much interest and the Data ILG is considering how to proceed.
- Data System
  - Stats NZ Officials and Data ILG to meet and confirm the Data ILG's involvement in the Data Investment Plan.
  - Stats NZ drafted an update to the Data Strategy and have proposed a series of initiatives to achieve the Strategy. The Data ILG continue to collaborate with Stats NZ on this kaupapa.
- Minister Whaitiri and Data ILG Chairs and Technicians met during their recent visit for the relaunch of Te Whata at Parliament in June.
- Mark Sowden, Stats NZ CE and Government Statistician, attended Pou Tangata CE and Lead Advisors quarterly hui.

## Mātauranga

### Key Points

- The Mātauranga Iwi Leaders Group (ILG) has been engaged with a number of different parts of the education sector. The work that is underway in this workstream has brought the sector and the Mātauranga ILG together in a new way.
- Together, the Ministry of Education and the Mātauranga ILG are working on several priorities to address inequity, including supporting a national dialogue about ending streaming, assisting the Māori Medium Peak Bodies to confirm focus areas, engaging with Statistics New Zealand around data and the digital divide, integrating learning of te reo Māori for all ākonga and supporting taura Māori into STEM careers.

### Background

The Mātauranga Iwi Leaders Group (Mātauranga ILG) has met with the Ministry of Education (MoE) to identify the following priorities:

- Equity and streaming
- Equity and the digital divide
- Equity and te reo Māori
- STEM

While a joint-work programme is still to be confirmed, the Mātauranga ILG has been engaged with a number of different parts of the education sector and work is well underway in this workstream.

At the Pou Tangata CEs and Lead Advisors meeting on 29 June 2021, the Mātauranga ILG Lead Advisor acknowledged that this engagement has brought the sector and the Mātauranga ILG together in a new way.

### Current Progress

- As a Mātauranga ILG priority, MoE provided support to the Call to Action from Tokona te Raki to end streaming. A highlight was the National Forum on ending streaming in May in Christchurch. MoE are interested to continue work with Tokona Te Raki to:
  - analyse responses from the 'Call to Action'; and
  - start plotting the course for the next phase of work.
- MoE has engaged with the Mātauranga ILG on programmes such as Aotearoa NZ Histories, NCEA changes and Iwi Professional Learning Development. The dialogue has increased significantly in this area.
- The Mātauranga ILG are supportive of the continued drive, however, note that with the increased level of engagement, there is an increase in expectations.
- The Mātauranga ILG have had their first meeting with the Kā Hikitia Board and are positive about engaging with the wider collective of Education agencies as a whole, in order to achieve consistency of response across the sector for iwi.

- At the Pou Tangata CEs and Lead Advisors meeting on 29 June 2021, agencies have committed to providing information on the activity (reviews, reports, policies, initiatives) in the pipeline to support ILGs to prioritise and determine where they might engage.
- MoE supported the Māori Medium Education Peak Bodies (MEPB), which includes the Mātauranga ILG, to meet on June 3 to confirm their new approach and how they will collaborate to develop a Māori Education Vision. Consensus was reached among the MEPB that strengthening the Kaupapa Māori Medium pathway is the top priority in their Māori Education Vision and Strategy.
- MoE are also engaged with Statistics New Zealand and the Data ILG to scope out what further education related opportunities for partnership may exist, including through the draft Digital Strategy group. Opportunities will exist to discuss how Government can best engage with Māori to support the wellbeing of whānau, hapū and Iwi.
- MoE is interested in establishing a working group to identify opportunities for further collaboration and areas of priority for the Mātauranga ILG as part of a joint work programme.
- The Mātauranga ILG and MoE will confirm their work programme in the next quarter.

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## Future direction of Whānau Ora

### Key Points

- Te Puni Kōkiri has committed to hosting the Whānau Ora Iwi Leaders Group (ILG) in the next quarter to agree to focus areas for a joint work programme.
- Possible focus areas include planning hui across the motu with a broad range of Whānau Ora stakeholders to inform the future direction of the kaupapa for both iwi and the Crown.

### Background

Te Puni Kōkiri acknowledge that the short and medium-term response to the recommendations from the Whānau Ora review has been largely carried out and implemented. For this reason, the Minister for Whānau Ora has signalled his intent to reposition the area of focus for a joint work programme going forward with the Whānau Ora ILG.

Early conversations have occurred between the Te Puni Kōkiri officials and the Minister for Whānau Ora, as well as between Te Puni Kōkiri officials and the Pou Tangata Chair, to scope possible focus areas including developing a work programme to determine the future direction of Whānau Ora and the possibility of supporting iwi-led hui on Whānau Ora.

### Current Progress

- Te Puni Kōkiri officials met with Dr Amohia Boulton and s 9(2)(a) on 26 May 2021 to build the relationship between Te Puni Kōkiri officials and the Whānau Ora ILG and share mutual interests and priorities. The discussion, while touching on work related to the Whānau Ora Review, was broad ranging. It included discussion on various other government agencies which play a part in oranga whānau as well as the role of data and longer-term insights regarding whānau wellbeing.
- Dave Samuels attended the Pou Tangata CEs and Lead Advisors meeting on 29 June 2021 where it was agreed to reposition the priority going forward.
- Te Puni Kōkiri is in the early stages of engagement with the Pou Tangata Chair and technicians in relation to Whānau Ora to map out the parameters of a joint work programme.
- Te Puni Kōkiri and the Whānau Ora ILG will endeavour to agree the parameters and focus of a joint work programme in the next quarter.

## Māori-led inquiry into Oranga Tamariki

### Key Points

- In February 2020 the National Iwi Chairs Forum endorsed the Māori-led inquiry report, Ko Te Wā Whakawhiti, and supported all its findings and recommendations.
- Oranga Tamariki and the National Iwi Chairs Forum have a shared vision for the direction of Oranga Tamariki, which includes supporting a 'by Māori, with Māori, for Māori' approach and transferring decision making and resources to Māori.

### Background

In February 2020 it was agreed that Iwi Chairs and then Minister for Children, Hon Tracey Martin, would agree a work programme to implement the recommendations. This did not occur, however, Minister Martin did table a response to the Māori-led Review at the National Iwi Chairs Forum in August 2020 which outlined the actions Oranga Tamariki had taken to date to address the issues raised and the recommendations made.

### Current Progress

- At the Pou Tangata CEs and Lead Advisors meeting on 29 June 2021 it was agreed that there needs to be less of a focus on the recommendations of the Māori (Whānau Ora)-led inquiry report and more on other areas where Pou Tangata Co-Chairs have expressed interest, such as building capability and capacity to devolve Oranga Tamariki social services.
- It was also noted that Oranga Tamariki is at an important juncture with the Ministerial Advisory Board report being imminent and consequent decisions being taken on the strategic direction. This will have implications for Oranga Tamariki priorities and work programmes.
- Engagement will therefore occur over the coming weeks to reset the areas of work between Oranga Tamariki and the Minister for Children and Pou Tangata Chairs and Lead Advisors. The forthcoming report from the Ministerial Advisory Board will provide the basis for discussion to determine future work programmes and should identify new areas of priority and focus for engagement and collaboration with Pou Tangata Chairs and Lead Advisors.
- It is expected progress will be made on this ahead of the next NICF quarterly hui on 6 August 2021.