



Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee

Minute of Decision

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Implementation of Oranga Tamariki Budget 2019 Initiatives: Report Back

Portfolio **Children**

On 5 May 2021, the Cabinet Social Wellbeing Committee:

- 1 **noted** that in Budget 2019, Cabinet:
 - 1.1 agreed to \$1.1 billion over four years to make significant changes to Oranga Tamariki through funding five key initiatives to: transform the care system; increase the capacity of the youth justice system; establish a new transition support service; develop a new intensive response function; and improve outcomes for tamariki and rangatahi Māori;
 - 1.2 invited the Minister for Children to report back six-monthly to enable Cabinet to retain oversight of how the five operating model initiatives are progressing;

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- 2 **noted** that:
 - 2.1 Oranga Tamariki is on track to deliver the initiatives ‘transforming the care system’ and ‘improving outcomes for tamariki and rangatahi Māori’;
 - 2.2 there have been some delays across the intensive response, transitions, and parts of the youth justice initiatives;
- 3 **noted** that the first annual section 7AA report was published by Oranga Tamariki in July 2020, and that it indicated that changes made had potential to improve outcomes for tamariki and rangatahi Māori;
- 4 **noted** that significant work is still needed to address concerns outlined in the various reports and reviews into the care and protection system and Oranga Tamariki;
- 5 **noted** that the next report back on the implementation of the five Budget 2019 key initiatives is due to SWC by 31 October 2021.

Rachel Clarke
Committee Secretary

Present: (see over)

Present:

Rt Hon Jacinda Ardern
Hon Grant Robertson
Hon Kelvin Davis
Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon Chris Hipkins
Hon Carmel Sepuloni (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Willie Jackson
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 SWC Chair
Officials Committee for SWC