

Manatū Wāhine Ministry for Women Weekly Report to the Minister for Women

As at 21 April 2022

Current priority outcome areas

Women's Employment Action Plan (WEAP) update

The Cabinet paper and draft WEAP is out for Ministerial and agency consultation until 22 April 2022. We will incorporate feedback and provide you with the final copy of the Cabinet paper and WEAP by 26 April so that your office can lodge them for the Social Wellbeing Cabinet Committee meeting on 4 May. We will also provide you with talking points for this meeting by 28 April.

Mana Wāhine Roopū update

Mana Wāhine Kaupapa Inquiry

On 20 April 2022 the Director attended a meeting of the Joint Research Committee (JRC) for further discussion of claimant-led research and the upcoming tendering process. The meeting also heard from Dr Maraea Hunia, a proposed replacement claimant representative on the JRC. As Dr Hunia is a senior advisor at Ara Poutama Aotearoa Corrections, we are giving consideration to the JRC conflict of interest policy.

Other news

Dr Rachel Brown (Te Atiawa, Ngāti Mutunga ki Wharekauri, Kāi Tahu, Tuahiwi, Kāti Māmoe) has been appointed as Interim Tumu Whakarae of the National Hauora Coalition, a charitable social enterprise and Aotearoa's largest Māori-led PHO.

Teresa Olsen QSM, Kōkiri Marae General Manager, has been nominated as a finalist in the Welly Awards 2021 Community Service Category.

System leadership – international

Pacific Islands Forum Women Leaders' Meeting (PIFWLM)

The Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat has indicated the inaugural PIFWLM meeting, which was due to be held in January but postponed due to COVID-19, will be re-scheduled for some time in May 2022 (exact date and agenda to be confirmed). It has been indicated this will be a hybrid meeting, hosted in Suva, Fiji.

Manatū Wāhine officials met with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) for initial discussions, including who will represent New Zealand. Ministerial-level attendance is expected. It is possible the new Ambassador for Gender Equality in the Pacific, Louisa Wall, may also be available and interested in attending, though the exact scope of her roles and responsibilities are still being confirmed.

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System leadership – national

Social Cohesion Government Work Programme

The Ministry for Social Development (MSD) is developing a draft Social Cohesion Strategic Framework. The Framework presents a vision of what social cohesion looks like in Aotearoa New Zealand and includes actions and a measurement framework MSD will test with stakeholders.

The Framework is in response to recommendations of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the terrorist attack on Christchurch masjidain (RCOI). Cabinet directed MSD to develop the three policy outputs: the framework, Government actions, and specific ways different stakeholders can be supported and enabled to improve social cohesion [SWC-21-MIN-0074 refers].

MSD has engaged with a diverse range of stakeholders through multiple avenues: public consultation conducted from June to October 2021 included 30 hui and 341 online submissions; targeted consultation from September to November 2021 addressed gaps following the 30 hui; engagement with Māori (from Bay of Plenty and Dunedin); and focused collaboration with approximately 50 community stakeholders in the Social Cohesion Working Group through a series of wānanga.

MSD will present the Social Cohesion Government Work Programme to the Social Wellbeing Cabinet Committee on 22 June 2022, and you will be consulted on the work programme between 30 May and 13 June. The Women's Employment Action Plan is included in the Work Programme.

Ministerial Servicing

Policy advice in progress			
Type	Subject	Log number	Due date
Memo	Kōhine Māori initiatives memo	MW 21-22 0283	28/04/2022
Talking points	Social Wellbeing Cabinet Committee meeting 4 May 2022	MW 21-22 0288	28/04/2022
Memo	Mana Wāhine Kaupapa Inquiry landscape	MW 21-22 0160	19/05/2022
Memo	Initial policy advice for the National Action Plan Cabinet report back	MW 21-22 0182	May/June
Briefing	WEAP launch plans	MW 21-22 0275	Late May/early June
Memo - joint with TPK	All-of-Government framework update	MW 21-22 0125	5/08/2022

Event and meeting briefings in progress			
Type	Subject	Log number	Due date
Memo	Retirement Commissioner meeting 26 April 2022	MW 21-22 0287	22/04/2022
Briefing	Joint briefing, led by MBIE, on pay transparency	MW 21-22 0280	28/04/2022
Briefing	Meeting with Minister Davidson on implementation of Te Aorerekura and other gender issue	MW 21-22 0286	29/04/2022
Memo	EET Ministerial meeting 12 May 2022	MW 21-22 0262	10/05/2022

Event and meeting briefings in progress			
Type	Subject	Log number	Due date
Estimates responses	2022/23 Estimates: Standard Estimates Questionnaire, for appearance 9 June 2022	MW 21-22 0278	25/05/2022
Memo	Prevention of Family Violence and Sexual Violence Multi-Minister meeting on 2 June 2022	MW 21-22 0257	26/05/2022
Briefing	Pacific Islands Forum Women Leaders' Meeting	MW 21-22 0202	May 2022 TBC
Briefing and speech notes	Keynote address at Heretaunga Women's Centre event, 8 September 2022	MW 21-22 0281	01/09/2022

WPQs and Official Information Act requests in progress			
Subject	Log number	Due to Minister	Due to requester
Ministry OIA requests			
Number of "away days" or retreats	MW-OIA 21-22 0029	5/05/2022	11/05/2022
Ministerial response			
Response to invitation from Girl Guides	MW 21-22 0282	22/04/2022	-

Publications and events in the next six months

Publication/event	Date	Agency lead
Pacific Islands Forum Women Leaders' Meeting	May 2022, TBC	
WEAP launch, South Auckland	June 2022, TBC	Ministry for Women
Girls in Infrastructure Event Whangārei	5 July 2022	Ministry for Women / Ministry of Education
Islamic Women's Council leadership event, Hamilton	15 July 2022	DPMC, Ministry for Ethnic Communities, Islamic Women's Council
Women in Governance Awards Dinner, Wellington	4 August 2022	Governance New Zealand/ Women on Boards
Launch of latest stocktake of Māori, gender, and diversity of public sector boards	August 2022, TBC	Ministry for Women
National Council of Women NZ 125th birthday event, Banquet Hall	13 September 2022	National Council of Women NZ
Suffrage day event and celebrations	19 September 2022	Ministry for Women
50 th anniversary of Equal Pay Act	October 2022	Te Kawa Mataaho, MBIE, Ministry for Women and other agencies

Proactive release

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