

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

As at 26 May 2022

Current priority outcome areas

Te Mahere Whai Mahi Women's Employment Action Plan (WEAP) update - Budget sensitive]

We are continuing to work on the Launch of Te Mahere Whai Mahi Wāhine Women's Employment Action Plan and will provide you with an update at the next Officials meeting. We have provided you with talking points you can use for the Employment, Education and Training Ministerial Group meeting on funding action to support the implementation of the employment action plans. ^{s 9(2)(f)(v)}

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Mana Wāhine Roopū update

Mana Wāhine Kaupapa Inquiry

Dame Aroha Reriti-Crofts (Ngāi Tūāhuriri, Ngāi Tahu) passed away this week. She was a former president of the Māori Women's Welfare League, original WAI 381 claimant in the Mana Wāhine Kaupapa Inquiry, teacher, kapa haka advocate, and community leader. Dame Reriti-Crofts was farewelled at her marae near Kaiapoi.

We are continuing to progress the legal discovery request underway in the Justice Kaupapa Inquiry mini inquiry. Crown Law Office advised us on 24 May 2022 the Waitangi Tribunal has decided to vacate the first hearing week from 13-17 June. We are expecting the Tribunal to issue new dates in forthcoming Memorandum Directions and will continue to keep you updated.

On 24 May 2022 we received a copy of the draft Tūāpapa hearing 4 timetable which we will forward to your office, should you be able to attend on 11 July 2022.

Other news

Two kōhine Māori are amongst this year's winners of the Te Ara a Kupe Beaton Scholarship, which aims to support taura (students) Māori to gain entrance into the world's most competitive tertiary education providers. Rhiannon Kapa (Lytton High head prefect) aims to use the scholarship to become a dermatologist or clinical surgeon. Amaia Watson (Napier Girls' High School head prefect) aims to complete degrees in Law and Environmental Science.

System leadership – national

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) officials have drafted a short joint briefing on the recently completed OECD Trade and Gender review of New Zealand (led by MFAT), alongside Manatū Wāhine-led research on New Zealand Women in Trade, carried out by BERL. This briefing will go to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and be referred for noting to you, the Minister for Trade and Export Growth, and the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Trade and Export Growth. The reports provide complementary views on different aspects of women’s engagement in exporting, with recommendations for policy settings to better support women entrepreneurs. We will provide further information on potential communications and a joint launch of the reports, in collaboration with MFAT.

System leadership – international

Australian Election

Following the Australian Federal election Prime Minister-elect Anthony Albanese has said his government would make “equal opportunity for women a national economic and social priority”.

The new Minister for Women, Katy Gallagher, who is also Minister for Finance and Attorney-General, has been a Senator for Australian Capital Territory (ACT) since 2019. Prior to entering politics, she was a social worker, and later a union organiser for the Community and Public Sector Union. We will draft a congratulatory letter on your behalf to go to Minister Gallagher.

Linda Burney, a member of the Wiradjuri Nation, has been appointed as Australia’s first female Minister for Indigenous Australians. s 6(a)

Ministerial Servicing

Policy advice in progress			
Type	Subject	Log number	Due date
Email response	Equity Pay Interview – joint points Taskforce	MW 21-22 0326	26/05/2022
Briefing	Briefing on international engagement 2021/22	MW 21-22 0306	30/05/2022
Estimates	Supporting Information for Attendance at Supplementary Estimates Hearing for 2022/23 for Vote Women	MW 21-22 0297	30/05/2022
Briefing	NACEW terms of reference review	MW 21-22 0320	2/06/2022
Memo	Initial policy advice for the National Action Plan Cabinet report back	MW 21-22 0182	June TBA

Event and meeting briefings in progress			
Type	Subject	Log number	Due date
Event briefing	Annual Diversity Accord Summit, 1 June 2022	MW 21-22 0316	26/05/2022
Memo	Prevention of Family Violence and Sexual Violence Multi-Minister meeting, 2 June 2022 (Minister not attending)	MW 21-22 0257	31/05/2022
Memo	EET Ministerial meeting 9 June 2022	MW 21-22 0263	7/06/2022
Briefing	Meeting with PSA National Secretaries, 1 June 2022	MW 21-22 0314	TBA
Briefing	Pacific Islands Forum Women Leaders' Meeting, 9 June 2022	MW 21-22 0202	June TBA
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 Min's office	Due to requester
Ministry OIA requests			
Advice provided by the Ministry for Women on the immigration reset	MW-OIA 21-22 0032	8/06/2022	15/06/2022
WPQs			
None			
Ministerial responses			
Rights of adult biological women	MW 21-22 0327	01/06/2022	-

Publications and events in the next six months

Publications or event	Date	Agency lead
Meeting with PSA National Secretaries	To be rescheduled	PSA
Annual Diversity Accord Summit	1 June 2022	Ministry for Women
Pacific Islands Forum Women Leaders' Meeting	9 June 2022, TBC	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade / Ministry for Women
WEAP launch, South Auckland	30 June 2022	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	Ministry for Ethnic Communities, Islamic Women's Council, DPMC
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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Secretary for Women



Hon Jan Tinetti
Minister for Women

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