



# Record of Inquiry Engagements

## February – September 2023

### February – May 2023

#### Te Whanganui-a-Tara | Wellington

- **Te Tari o Te Pirimia Me Te Komiti Matua | Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet** as a key government agency that contributed to decision-making in the response to COVID-19.
- **Te Kawa Mataaho | Public Service Commission** as the leaders of Aotearoa New Zealand's Public Service.
- **Te Tai Ōhanga | The Treasury** as the Government's lead economic and financial advisor.
- **Manatū Hauora | Ministry of Health** as the Government's chief steward of the health system.
- **Hīkina Whakatutuki | Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment** as a core government agency responsible for a broad range of advice and services that were critical during the COVID-19 pandemic response.
- **Public Sector Education Chief Executives** (Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga | Ministry of Education, Mana Tohu Mātauranga o Aotearoa | New Zealand Qualifications Authority, and Te Tari Arotake Mātauranga | Education Review Office) as key agencies in Aotearoa New Zealand's education system.

### June 2023

#### Te Whanganui-a-Tara | Wellington

- **Te Niwha** as a group that brings together research providers, iwi Māori, Pacific Peoples, and communities to work towards Aotearoa New Zealand having world-class research capability to respond to serious infectious disease threats.
- **Te Tari Mātāwaka | Ministry for Ethnic Communities** as the Government's chief advisor on ethnic diversity and inclusion in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Whaikaha | Ministry of Disabled People** as the Government's lead agency on promoting how we can undertake appropriate engagement with the disabled community.

- **Te Manatū mō ngā Iwi ō te Moana-nui-ā-Kiwa | Ministry for Pacific Peoples** as the Crown's principal advisor on policies and interventions aimed at improving outcomes for Pacific peoples in Aotearoa.
- **Te Manatū Whakahiato Ora | Ministry of Social Development** as the primary provider of social policy advice to the government and sector lead for social development in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Te Pōkai Tara | Universities NZ** as the peak body for Aotearoa New Zealand's eight universities.
- **Cheryl Barnes and Ruth Fairhall** as key individuals in the COVID-19 All of Government Response Group.
- **Mike Bush** in his capacity as a member of the All of Government leadership response team within the National Crisis Management Centre, and as the former Police Commissioner.

## July 2023

### Te Whanganui-a-Tara | Wellington

- **Peter Hughes** as the Public Service Commissioner and Head of Service.
- **Te Puni Kōkiri | Ministry of Māori Development** as the Government's principal policy advisor on Māori wellbeing and development.
- **Dr Peter Crabtree** as the lead of the Strategy and Policy function in the All of Government response (March-June 2020) and the Chair of the Vaccine Taskforce (July 2020-January 2021).
- **John Ombler** as the All of Government Controller (March-July 2020) within the National Crisis Management Centre.
- **Sir Brian Roche** as the former Chair of the COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group.

### Tāmaki Makaurau | Auckland

- **Rt Hon Dame Jacinda Ardern** as the former Prime Minister of Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Hon Simon Bridges** as the former Leader of the Opposition and former Chair of the COVID-19 Epidemic Response Committee.
- **Employers and Manufacturers Association** as a key entity with a view on business support measures and other settings that affected businesses during the COVID-19 response.
- **Professor Sir Peter Gluckman** as the Director of Koi Tū: the Centre for Informed Futures, an independent research centre.

- **Rob Fyfe** as a key individual involved in the response to COVID-19 through his business-led philanthropic venture, as a business advisor to the previous Prime Minister, and as a member of the COVID-19 Independent Continuous Review, Improvement and Advice Group.
- **Sir Collin Tukuitonga** as a prominent public health expert who also acted as a Pacific community liaison and technical/expert advisor in government advisory groups.

## August 2023

### Te Whanganui-a-Tara | Wellington

- **Federated Farmers of New Zealand** as a key, independent rural advocacy organisation.
- **COVID-19 Disability Response Network** as a network of advocates for disabled communities throughout the response to COVID-19.
- **Sir Ashley Bloomfield** as the former Director-General of Health.
- **Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga | Ministry of Education** as the Government's lead advisor on New Zealand's education system.
- **Tatauranga Aotearoa | Stats NZ** as the Government's lead data and statistics agency.
- **Public Sector Health agency Chief Executives and Deputy Chief Executives** (Manatū Hauora | Ministry of Health, Te Aka Whai Ora | Māori Health Authority, Te Whatu Ora | Health New Zealand, Whaikaha | Ministry of Disabled People, and Te Aho o Te Kahu | Cancer Control Agency) to understand the best approach in facilitating engagements with the wider health sector.
- **Dr Caroline McElnay** as the former Director of Public Health.
- **Te Kaunihera Rata o Aotearoa | Medical Council of New Zealand** as a key organisation in Aotearoa New Zealand that strives to protect and promote public health and safety.
- **Shayne Hunter** as the former Deputy Director-General for the Data & Digital division at the Ministry of Health.
- **Te Kaunihera Tapuhi o Aotearoa | Nursing Council of New Zealand** as the regulatory authority for nurses in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Te Pai Ora o Aotearoa | Social Service Providers Aotearoa** as a wide-ranging national organisation comprising of over 200 community-based social organisations in rural and urban areas around Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Manatū Ahu Matua | Ministry for Primary Industries** as a core government agency responsible for a broad range of advice and services that were critical during the COVID-19 pandemic response.

- **Te Kaunihera o Ngā Kāreti Rata o Aotearoa | Council of Medical Colleges** as the representative body for Aotearoa New Zealand's 17 medical colleges (responsible for training, examining, and recertifying medical practitioners across a range of specialities).
- **Kāhui Mataika o te Motu | National Ethics Advisory Committee** as an independent group of experts (in a variety of fields) who determine nationally consistent ethical standards across the health sector and provide scrutiny for national health and research services.
- **Peter Mersi** as the former Chief Executive of the Ministry of Transport and a former head of the COVID-19 All of Government Response Group.
- **Te Arawhiti | Office for Māori Crown Relations** as the Government's leading agency for Māori-Crown relationships.
- **Border Executive Board** as a single border voice and point of contact in the All of Government COVID-19 response.
- **Te Rāku Whakamarumarū | National Emergency Management Agency** as the steward, operator, and assurer of the emergency management system; and **Sarah Stuart-Black** as the former Director Civil Defence and Emergency Management (CDEM) and CDEM National Controller.
- **Dr Shane Reti** as a Member of Parliament and National party spokesperson for the Health, Māori-Crown Relations, and Pacific Peoples portfolios.
- **Hon Andrew Little** primarily as the former Minister of Health; as well as the previous Minister of Justice, the Minister for Courts, and the Minister for Workplace Relations and Safety.
- **Professor Michael Baker, Professor Nick Wilson and Dr Amanda Kvalsvig** as members of the University of Otago COVID-19 Research Group.
- **Te Kauae Kaimahi | New Zealand Council of Trade Unions Affiliate Unions** as the united voice for working people and their families, bringing together 27 affiliated unions.
- **Hon Dr David Clark** primarily as the former Minister of Health.
- **Hon Peeni Henare** primarily in relation to the work of the Māori Caucus in the COVID-19 response.
- **Hon Dr Megan Woods** primarily as the current Minister of Housing, as well as the Minister for Building and Construction.
- **Key individuals involved in the Managed Isolation and Quarantine facilities**, including public and private sector representatives, to discuss the provision and operation of the facilities.
- **Professor Dame Juliet Gerrard** as a key individual in the All of Government Response to COVID-19, a key advisor to decision-makers, and as a leader amongst science advisors.

- **Hon Aupito William Sio** primarily as the former Minister for Pacific Peoples and in relation to the work of the Pacific Caucus at the time.
- **Professor Ian Town** as a key individual in the Ministry of Health and All of Government response to COVID-19.
- **Hon Marama Davidson and Hon James Shaw** as the Green Party co-leaders and Members of Parliament during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hon Davidson was also a member of the Epidemic Response Committee.
- **Rt Hon Prime Minister Chris Hipkins** primarily as the former Minister of Education, the former Minister of Health, and the first Minister for the COVID-19 Response.
- **Te Hiringa Mahara | Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission** as the entity responsible for assessing and reporting on the status of, and the influencing factors on, the mental health and wellbeing of people in New Zealand. They also report on the effectiveness and efficiency of approaches and services, as well as provide recommendations for improvements.
- **David Seymour** primarily as a member of the COVID-19 Epidemic Response Committee, as well as the ACT party member with the portfolio for COVID-19 response.
- **Hon Grant Robertson** primarily as the current Minister of Finance; as well as the former Minister for Infrastructure, former Minister for Earthquake Commission, current Minister for Sport and Recreation, and former Associate Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage.
- **Hon Kelvin Davis** primarily as the current Minister for Māori-Crown Relations, Minister for Children, and Minister of Corrections; as well as the Associate Minister of Education (Māori Education).
- **Hon Dr Ayesha Verrall** primarily as the former Associate Minister of Health, as well as the former Associate and lead Minister for the COVID-19 Response, and the current Minister of Health.
- **Sir David Skegg** as Chair of the Strategic COVID-19 Public Health Advisory Group and a member of the International Science Council's working group on future scenarios for the COVID-19 pandemic.

## September 2023

### Te Whanganui-a-Tara | Wellington

- **Te Tari Arotake Mātauranga | Education Review Office** as the Government's external evaluation agency that informs and facilitates the improvement in early learning services, kōhanga reo, puna kōhungahunga, kura and schools.
- **Te Kāhui Tika Tangata | Human Rights Commission** as an independent Crown entity and Aotearoa New Zealand's national human rights institution.

- **Te Toihau Hauora, Hauātanga | Health and Disability Commissioner** as an independent Crown entity that promotes and protects people’s rights (as set out in the Code of Health and Disability Services Consumers’ Rights).
- **Mana Mokopuna | Children and Young People’s Commission** as an independent Crown entity advocating for all mokopuna aged under 18 in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Mana Tohu Mātauranga o Aotearoa | New Zealand Qualifications Authority** as a Crown entity that administers educational assessments and qualifications.
- **Deputy Prime Minister Hon Carmel Sepuloni** primarily as the current Minister for Social Development and Employment and the Minister/Associate Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage; as well as the former Minister for Disability Issues, former Minister for ACC, and former Associate Minister for Pacific Peoples.
- **Māori Wardens** as a network of community volunteers providing key supportive services across Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **He Toa Takitini | New Zealand Māori Tourism** as a leading agency in the Māori tourism sector, supporting leaders and partnerships that generate value in the Māori and wider tourism sector.
- **Business New Zealand** as Aotearoa New Zealand's largest advocacy group for enterprise, representing thousands of businesses across the country.
- **Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu (Te Kura)** as Aotearoa New Zealand’s largest state school that offers a wide range of personalised learning programmes and courses, most of which are delivered online.
- **Te Tāhū o te Ture | Ministry of Justice** as the Government’s lead provider on a range of justice services across Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Ngā Pirihimana o Aotearoa | New Zealand Police** as the government agency that delivers services to ensure people can be safe and feel safe in their homes, on our roads, and in their communities.
- **Me Uru Kahikatea | Federation of Māori Authorities Inc.** as a collective of Māori trusts and organisations across Aotearoa that help members to proposer, grow and achieve greater returns, increasing exports and Gross Domestic Product (GDP).
- **Oranga Tamariki | Ministry for Children** as the government agency responsible for the care and protection of children and young people whose wellbeing is at significant risk of harm, as well as addressing offending by children and young people.
- **Manatū Kaupapa Waonga | Ministry of Defence and Te Ope Kātua o Aotearoa | New Zealand Defence Force** as two government agencies responsible for keeping Aotearoa New Zealand safe and protected.

- **Tumuaki o te Mana Arotake | Office of the Auditor General** as an independent agency that provides the Parliament and the public with a view of how public organisations are operating.
- **Manatū Wahine | Ministry for Women** as the Government’s principal advisor on improving the lives of wāhine | women and kōtiro | girls in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Te Puna Aonui | Interdepartmental Executive Board for the Elimination of Family Violence and Sexual Violence** as a joint venture with government agencies to align whole-of-government strategy, policy, and investment to eliminate family violence and sexual violence.
- **Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga | Ministry for Housing and Urban Development** as the government agency that shapes the strategies and work programmes for housing and urban development in Aotearoa New Zealand.
- **Ara Poutama Aotearoa | Department of Corrections** as the government agency that provides a range of programmes that help to reduce re-offending.

#### **Tāmaki Makaurau | Auckland**

- **Waipareira Trust** as a services and support provider for whānau of all ages in West Auckland.
- **Whai Māia - Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei Trust** as entities focused on advancing the cultural, social and environmental aspirations of Ngāti Whātua Ōrākei.
- **As part of an Auckland regional boundary business forum**
  - **Auckland Policy Office** as a representative body made up of central government agencies with a focus on Auckland policy and growth.
  - **Restaurant Association of New Zealand** as a key advocacy group and support provider for restaurants.
  - **Tātaki Auckland Unlimited** as Auckland’s economic and cultural agency committed to making the region a desirable place to live, work, visit, invest and do business.
  - **Heart of the City Auckland** as the business association for Auckland’s city centre.
  - **Retail New Zealand** as the voice of the retail sector in Aotearoa New Zealand.
  - **Employers and Manufacturers Association** as a key entity with a view on business support measures and other settings that affected businesses during the COVID-19 response.
- **Auckland International Airport** as New Zealand’s largest airport.
- **Auckland Council Community Panel Chairs and Co-Chairs** as advisors to the Auckland Council on the interests and preferences of a variety of communities.

- **Te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau | Auckland Council** as the governing body of the Auckland region.
- **Faith-based leaders (convened by the Ministry of Ethnic Communities)** as leaders and influencers in their respective communities.
- **Foodstuffs North Island** as an umbrella cooperative organisation for several grocery brands in the North Island.
- **Manukau Urban Māori Authority** as a pan-tribal organisation that sets out to foster the economic, social, and community development of Māori living in cities.
- **Associate Professor Siouxsie Wiles** as a key science communicator and researcher during the response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **Auckland City Hospital** as New Zealand's largest public hospital and clinical research facility.

#### **Tairāwhiti | Gisborne visit**

- **Turanga and Tairāwhiti Iwi**
  - **Te Runanganui o Ngāti Porou** as a prominent Iwi organisation in the Tairāwhiti Gisborne region.
  - **Te Aitanga a Mahaki Trust** as a prominent Iwi organisation in the Tairāwhiti Gisborne region.
  - **Tāmanuhiri Tūtū Poroporo Trust** as a prominent Iwi organisation in the Tairāwhiti Gisborne region.
  - **Rongowhakaata Iwi Trust** as a prominent Iwi organisation in the Tairāwhiti Gisborne region.
  - **Te Runanga o Turanganui a Kiwa** as a prominent Iwi organisation in the Tairāwhiti Gisborne region.
- **Turanga and Tairāwhiti Iwi health providers**
  - **Te Hauora o Turanganui a Kiwi Ltd | Turanga Health** as an Iwi health provider and general practice clinic.
  - **Ngāti Porou Oranga** as an integrated health, development and support services provider.
  - **Turanga and Tairāwhiti Hapū leads and Community Hub representatives.**
- **As part of a health providers and networks forum:**
  - **Te Whatu Ora Tairāwhiti** as the Gisborne region's health board.



- **Takatu Hub** as a health and wellbeing call centre service for whānau in Tairāwhiti who need immediate health advice and support.
- **Pinnacle Incorporated Tairāwhiti** as a group of not-for-profit primary health care organisations.
- **Three Rivers Medical** as a primary health care centre providing a variety of facilities.
- **Te Kaunihera o Te Tairāwhiti | Gisborne District Council** as the governing body of the Tairāwhiti | Gisborne region.
- **As part of a business and economic forum**
  - **Trust Tairāwhiti** as a regional wellbeing trust with a strategic focus on community initiatives, economic development and providing for future generations.
  - **Cedenco Foods New Zealand** as Aotearoa New Zealand's leading ingredients company.
  - **Kaiaponi Farms** as the growers and producers of apples, citrus fruits, feijoas and kiwifruit.
  - **People Plus** as a human resources, employment relations, immigration, and recruitment specialist organisation.
- **As part of an education-focused forum**
  - **Te Aho o Māui | Tairāwhiti Eastern Institute of Technology** as one of Aotearoa New Zealand's leading tertiary education providers, serving the Hawke's Bay and Tairāwhiti regions.
  - **Matapuna Training Centre** as a provider of courses designed to help participants move towards a career of their choice.
  - **Tolaga Bay Area School** as a local primary education provider.
  - **Kaiti School** as a local primary education provider.
  - **Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga | Ministry of Education** as the Government's lead advisor on Aotearoa New Zealand's education system; specifically focusing on the Tairāwhiti region.
  - **Te Wānanga o Aotearoa** as a provider of holistic education opportunities of the highest quality for Māori, peoples of Aotearoa, and the world.
  - **Gisborne Boys' High School** as a local secondary education provider.
  - **Ilinster Intermediate School** as a local primary education provider.

- **David Langford** as a former principal in a range of rural, urban, high and low decile schools.