



Cabinet Māori Crown Relations - Te Arawhiti Committee

Minute of Decision

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Roles and Responsibilities of Te Puni Kōkiri and Te Arawhiti

Portfolio Māori Crown Relations Te Arawhiti / Māori Development

On 17 September 2019, the Cabinet Māori Crown Relations - Te Arawhiti Committee:

- 1 **noted** that in April 2019, Cabinet invited the Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti and the Minister for Māori Development to report back jointly to MCR on the relative roles and responsibilities of Te Arawhiti and Te Puni Kōkiri [CAB-19-MIN-174.22];
- 2 **noted** that Te Puni Kōkiri and Te Arawhiti are working in complementary roles on public sector capability, challenging issues in the Māori Crown relationships and improving outcomes for Māori;
- 3 **noted** that the key distinctions between the roles of the two agencies are:
 - 3.1 Te Puni Kōkiri focuses on promoting Māori development and wellbeing, building Māori capability and capacity, monitoring the effectiveness of services for Māori, and leading policy advice on specific issues of importance to Māori;
 - 3.2 Te Arawhiti focuses on supporting Māori Crown relationships, building public sector capability to engage with Māori, ensuring Crown agencies meet their Treaty of Waitangi settlement commitments and administering the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011;
- 4 **noted** that in May 2019 the Chief Executives of Te Puni Kōkiri and Te Arawhiti:
 - 4.1 signed a relationship agreement, attached to the paper under MCR-19-SUB-0031, setting out their separate and shared roles and responsibilities;
 - 4.2 advised public sector chief executives of their respective organisations' roles and responsibilities.

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Committee Secretary

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Present:

Rt Hon Winston Peters
Hon Kelvin Davis (Chair)
Hon Grant Robertson
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Stuart Nash
Hon Shane Jones
Hon Peeni Henare
Hon Willie Jackson

Officials present from:

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