

19 May 2023

Tēnā koutou and welcome to the 4th edition of Kāpuia Pānui for 2023.

Agency updates on the RCOI Response Work Programme

1. Budget 2023 funding related to the RCOI

On Thursday 18 May the Government released Budget 2023.

New funding in Budget 2023 related to the Government's RCOI response work programme included:

- Vote Social Development: support for affected whanau and survivors and support for community engagement through funding for the Kaiwhakaoranga Case Management service, the Collective Impact Board and an extension of the Christchurch Mosque Attack Welfare Programme for one year to provide financial support to eligible people affected by the attacks (\$994,000). The Collective Impact Board has also been granted a temporary extension for the 23/24 financial year to enable it to progress the outstanding themes on its work programme and complete a Best Practice Guide.
- Vote Internal Affairs: extension of the ethnic communities graduate programme (a total of \$608,000 over four years). This is related to recommendation 33 on improving the diversity of the public sector workforce.
- Additional funding of \$848,000 over four years for the Law Commission - Te Aka o te Ture to meet its statutory functions and continue existing service levels. The Kāpuia Secretariat is seeking advice as to what this means for the timeframe for its reviews of hate speech/incitement and hate crime.

2. Firearms Amendment Regulations released

New Firearms Amendment Regulations have been released to enable New Zealand's first comprehensive digital Firearms Registry. Firearms licence holders can now see how the new registry will work, and what information they will need to begin providing from 24 June 2023, when the new system activates for firearms dealers. More information about the regulations and registry can be found by clicking this [link](#).

3. Commencement of Periodic Review of the Designation of an Imprisoned Terrorist Entity

On 10 May 2023 the Counter-Terrorism Acts (Designations and Control Orders) Amendment Act 2023 came into effect; this made amendments to the Terrorism Suppression Act 2002's designations scheme. The designation relating to the Christchurch Mosque Terrorist is now subject to this periodic review. More information can be found by clicking this [link](#).

Other information

4. Date confirmed for the first phase of the Coronial Inquest into the Christchurch Masjidain Attack

Coroner Brigitte Windley has confirmed that the first phase of the Coronial Inquest into the Christchurch Masjidain Attack will commence on 24 October 2023 at the Christchurch Law Courts. The Inquest will examine the first nine of 12 issues Coroner Windley decided the Inquiry will consider. The nine issues all relate to the day of the attack. Whether an inquest hearing will be held as part of the Inquiry into the three remaining issues is yet to be determined. More information can be found at this [link](#).

5. The 2023 Ministerial Youth Advisory Group announced

Four young people will join the eight current members for the 2023 Ministerial Youth Advisory Group (YAG). The Group was established in 2018 to provide an opportunity for young people to share their experiences and perspectives on education with the Minister and Ministry for Education to help inform improvements in the education system. More information can be found by clicking this [link](#).

In the community

6. Upcoming dates of significance

- **19 May** is Pink Shirt Day which is dedicated to stomping out bullying and increasing inclusion and diversity for all.
- **30 May** is Multiple Sclerosis Day about building community connections, self-connections, and connections to quality care.
- **1 June** is Samoan Independence Day.
- **4 June** is Tongan Independence Day.
- **5 June** is King Charles III Official Birthday.

Noho ora mai

The Kāpuia Secretariat