

Items for Discussion

Ministers only time

Opening by Minister Chhour

- 1. Thank you for making the time today to continue to support this important work that our agencies are working on together.
- 2. Before we start, I would like to update you on recent developments regarding Te Pūkotahitanga.
- 3. Te Pūkotahitanga is a Tangata Whenua Minsterial Advisory Group that was appointed in 2022 to provide independent advice to the Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence and Sexual Violence on the implementation of Te Aorerekura.
- 4. The terms of the current advisory group members are due to expire on 30 June 2025. I do not intend to seek reappointment of group members or seek any expressions of interest for new members.
- 5. The group has provided me with valuable expert advice during our time working together, but I feel that their scope restricts them from providing me with the broad range of advice and insights I require.
- 6. Instead, I am taking advice on what advisory supports would best meet my needs and give me the ability to connect with the experiences, challenges and needs of a greater cross-section of people affected by family violence and sexual violence.
- 7. Te Pūkotahitanga members are aware of my intent and that their terms will come to their natural end at the end of June this year. It is likely that transitioning from their roles, and preparing their final report will be on their minds today.
- 8. I will now invite the officials into the meeting.

[Officials are invited into the room]

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