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Thank you for your email, received on 20 April 2026, to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki) querying the Oranga Tamariki procurement policy. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have requested:

Thanks for this but as you have not published the policy I asked for an explanation as to why.

Can you please advise why you have not published your policy? The procurement rules came into effect on 1 December 2025 (and agencies had prior notice of this date) why have you still yet to do so?

Following the introduction of the 5th edition of the Government Procurement Rules in December 2025, our priority has been in ensuring our internal procurement planning template artefacts, practice and guidance is updated to align to the new Rules. At the same time, we have been delivering a significant work programme with the sector, other key government agencies and Ministers, to refresh our entire commissioning approach, including our procurement processes and practices.

Our organisational policy on procurement has broader application than solely updating to align to the latest Government Procurement Rules. It speaks to organisational processes, delegated authorities, and operational procedures to implement our procurement approach. This policy is therefore still under development to support our refreshed commissioning approach into the future and will be finalised within the coming months. In the interim, we have already adopted and our applying the 5th edition of the Rules in our practice.

Oranga Tamariki may make the information contained in this letter available to the public by publishing this on our website with your personal details removed.

I trust you find this information useful. Should you have any concerns with this response, I would encourage you to raise them with Oranga Tamariki. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the

Ombudsman. Information about this is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or by contacting them on 0800 802 602.

Nāku noa, nā

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Roth', written in a cursive style.

Jesse Roth
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