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Tēnā koe [redacted]

Thank you for your email, received on 9 August 2026, to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting information for all meetings held between Oranga Tamariki and the Labour MPs and/or staff. You have also requested the same details for the Green and Te Pati Māori MPs. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have requested:

> *[…] All meetings held by members of your agency with Labour MPs and/or staff since February 10, 2025.*
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> *Information should include:*
> *Date and purpose of meetings*
> *Any notes taken by your agency from the meeting.*
> *Any material produced and/or sent from the meeting by your agency*
> *Any material produced and/or sent from the meeting from Labour MPs/staff, received by your agency.*
> *Any recollection of the meeting material, either through documentation, emails, texts, or memory.*
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> *I am also requesting the same information for both the Green Party (MPs and staff), and Te Pati Māori (MPs and staff).*

On 11 August 2026, we sent you a letter to refine your request. On 27 August you emailed:

> *Surely you have a list of MPs that your agency has met with across this timeframe?*

Please be advised that Oranga Tamariki does not hold a centralised list of MP meetings that have occurred with staff. This is due to the size of the organisation and that MPs may visit local sites to support constituent concerns. Meetings like these would be in site/staff individual calendars.

As such, your original request remains unrefined, therefore your request is being refused in full under section 18(f) of the Act, on the grounds that the information requested cannot be made available without substantial collation or research.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz. 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



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