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## Response to your Official Information Act Request

Thank you for your email of the 7th of September 2023 requesting the following under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

Please release all Consultation and Decision Documents that were generated and circulated between its establishment in 2019 and 30 June 2021 as part of any restructure, reorganisation, or (dis)establishment of a team, business unit or directorate within Aroturuki Tamariki. Please include any instances in which a restructure was planned and consulted on, but ultimately not actioned.

Aroturuki Tamariki, was established as a departmental agency on 1 May 2023.

We operated as a business unit within the Ministry of Social Development between our initial establishment on 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2021. During this time, our focus was establishing authonitoring function and workforce and preparing to become an independent entity. No internal restructuring, reorganisation or disestablishment activities took place during this period, therefore we do not have any information in scope of your request.

Your request for information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act, as the document alleged to contain the information requested does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman of my decision relating to this request, in accordance with section 28(3) of the Act. The relevant details can be found on their website at: www.ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Released under the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982 Please note that due to the public interest in our work, Aroturuki Tamariki publishes responses to requests for official information on our https://aroturuki.govt.nz/who-we-