



18 September 2023

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Tēnā koe Daniel,

Thank you for your email of 9 September 2023 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children (Oranga Tamariki), requesting the actions taken regarding the recommendations from Dame Karen Poutasi and the Office of the Chief Social Worker following the death of Malachi Subecz. Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

You have requested:

Please provide the actions taken regarding each of the 14 recommendations from the external review by Karen Poutasi into Malachi's death - I understand if this will require partial transfer to another agency Please provide Oranga Tamariki's actions regarding each of the recommendations made by the Office of the chief social worker into Malachi's death

We are currently working to proactively release information regarding Dame Karen Poutasi's review and recommendations, and of the actions undertaken by Oranga Tamariki and other agencies in response to this. We hope to have this information published soon. We recommend that you check the 'Reviews and inquiries' page on our website for more information when this is published: www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/about-us/performance-and-monitoring/reviews-and-inquiries/.

As such, this part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act, on the grounds that the information requested will soon be publicly available.

You can find information regarding the Chief Social Worker's review of the practice in relation to Malachi Subecz and his whānau (the Practice Review), including the Oranga Tamariki Leadership Team's response to the Practice Review and an update on progress against this response, on the Oranga Tamariki website at: www.orangatamariki.govt.nz/about-us/performance-and-monitoring/reviews-and-inquiries/malachi-subecz-practice-review/.

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As you are able to access this information yourself, this part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act, on the grounds that the information requested is publicly available.

I trust the information provided is useful. I encourage you to raise any concerns about the response with OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz. Alternatively, you are advised of your right to also raise any concerns with the Office of the Ombudsman by contacting them on 0800 802 602 or at info@ombudsman.parliament.nz.

Nāku noa, nā

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Lydia Jarman
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