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**ORANGA
TAMARIKI**
Ministry for Children

Mr Elliot Ikilei
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Dear Mr Ikilei

Thank you for your email of 18 November 2018 to Oranga Tamariki—Ministry for Children, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act):

- 1. Is Whakatakapokai due to be shut down, either temporarily or permanently, and what are the reasons utilised to justify closing it down?*
- 2. While each young person has an individual safety plan, what are the safety mechanisms for placing young people back into the community, and what is the overall idea? Tracker? 24/7 social worker? Other secure facility? Motel? Whānau?*

The consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response to the request cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit of 20 working days. For this reason, I am extending the time limit for replying to you to 21 December 2018, in accordance with section 15A(1)(b) of the Act. We will try to respond sooner than this date if possible.

You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or on 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@ot.govt.nz.

Yours sincerely

Steve Groom
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