

Quarterly report October – December 2025

To:	Family Violence Sexual Violence (FVSV) Ministerial Group		
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Action Sought

Note progress made delivering Te Aorerekura Action Plan during the October – December 2025 quarter 2.	NOTED
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Purpose

1. This paper provides an update on progress across the three priority focus areas of the second Te Aorerekura Action Plan (the Action Plan).
2. To identify key features of the attached Quarterly Report (Appendix 1), including:
 - Delivery highlights of the quarter, and emerging risks and challenges.
 - Work to support continued progress moving forward.
 - Key activities contributing to Target 4.
3. The Quarterly Report, attached as Appendix 1, summarises what has been delivered in the period October – December 2025 (Q2), and gives an indication of early impact.
4. Delivery across the Action Plan’s three priority areas continued steadily over the October - December 2025 quarter, reflecting strong cross-agency collaboration and growing alignment between shared priorities. The overall portfolio performance is assessed as Amber, indicating ongoing progress alongside some emerging challenges.
5. Following on from the milestones delivered last quarter July-September 2025, eight milestones have been delivered in this quarter. The Quarterly Report (Appendix 1) provides further detail of progress across the priority focus areas.



Progress being made towards the third quarter (31 March 2026)

Keeping People Safe

6. Engagement with Rotorua and Auckland City regarding the design of multi-agency responses, and grant agreements with Tairāwhiti and Hawke's Bay are in development.

Investing and Commissioning Well

7. Development of FVSV Investment Strategy and supporting the MAR Investment Plan.

Stopping Violence

8. A summary of the Stopping Violence 'current and future state analysis of the intervention system for people who use violence' report will be submitted to the IEB and Ministers in early 2026.

Action Plan and Target Four

9. Several key activities under the Keeping People Safe priority focus area of the Action Plan are a key contributor to Target 4 – Reduction in Violent Crime. During the last quarter, the following initiatives advanced this work:
 - Local FV SV System Improvement Plans for Wairoa, Taranaki, Kaitāia, Eastern Bay of Plenty, Whangārei and Whanganui have been approved.
 - The High-Risk Protocol and Information Sharing Protocols have been agreed, which will enable nationally consistent and safer practice to reduce imminent risk and prevention of serious harm. Implementation in four regions starts in February 2026
 - All ten FVSV Action Plan milestones for Stopping Violence have been delivered including the 'Review of current interventions for people who use violence' action.

Monitoring Impact

10. An interim dashboard is being developed to track delivery and local impact of multi-agency responses in sites while the target operating model is still in development. The dashboard will provide visibility of operational progress and emerging trends in service demand and outcomes, supporting the IEB to understand where system changes are making a measurable difference.
11. As committed in the previous report, baseline indicators of long-term change have been updated using data from the NZCVS on family- and sexual-violence

victimisation. For consistency with Target 4 reporting, October 2023 has been selected as the baseline for comparison. The data shows:

- A ten percent increase in victims of an offence where the perpetrator was a family member.
- An eight percent decrease in victims of violent offences by a family member (assault, robbery, or sexual assault).
- A two percent decrease in victims of sexual violence.

12. Annual data indicates no statistically significant change in the number of victims of family offences, violent family offences, or sexual assault from 2018 to 2024. This suggests further data collection is needed to confirm whether quarterly movements reflect genuine long-term change. Work will continue to refine how long-term change is measured and interpreted over time.

Outcomes Reporting

13. Progress under Te Aorerekura is measured through the Outcomes and Measurement Framework (OMF), which captures both system-level shifts and the specific changes attributable to the Action Plan. The Action Plan three priority focus areas (Investing and Commissioning Well, Keeping People Safe, and Stopping Violence) align with 20 short-term outcomes from the OMF.

14. Reporting for these outcomes will be incorporated annually into Action Plan reporting, and into the full OMF report. The first OMF report, published in December 2024, established a baseline view of progress and identified areas for further development. The next comprehensive OMF report will be submitted to the IEB in March 2026.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Te Aorerekura Action Plan Quarterly Report - October-December 2025