

# Policy scorecard

as at 14 October 2026

Social  
Service  
Providers

Te Pai  
Ora o  
Aotearoa



## Policy

## Comment at Whakamanawa

## Policy Statements

|                                                                                   | Labour                                                        | Greens                                                                                                                                                                      | NZ First                                                                                                                                                      | Opportunity                                                                                                                                                         | National                        | ACT                             | Te Pāti Māori                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Provide relief for struggling children and families with cost-of-living pressures | ✓<br>"Absolutely."                                            | ✓<br>"We would make better decisions because there has always been enough to make sure that communities have the support that they need, especially in times of challenge." | ✓<br>"If Mum and dad, caregivers, cannot pay the bills, cannot feed their kids, then every contract in this room is mopping up the mess from those in power." | ✓<br>"We'll be introducing a citizens' income, which is a universal base of technology that ensures that every New Zealand has access to the essentials they need." | ?<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> | ?<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> | ✓<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> |
| Implement sustainable funding and inflation-adjusted contracts                    | ✓*<br>"Yes, but it depends on the budget."                    | ✓                                                                                                                                                                           | ✓                                                                                                                                                             | ✓*<br><a href="#">Read more.</a>                                                                                                                                    | ✗                               | ✗                               | ?                               |
| Reinstate pay equity                                                              | ✓                                                             | ✓                                                                                                                                                                           | ✓*<br><a href="#">Read more.</a>                                                                                                                              | ✓                                                                                                                                                                   | ✗                               | ✗                               | ✓<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> |
| Implement paid placements                                                         | ?<br>"We need to announce our policy."                        | ✓                                                                                                                                                                           | ✓*<br><a href="#">Read more.</a>                                                                                                                              | ✗                                                                                                                                                                   | ✗                               | ✗                               | ?                               |
| Action all the recommendations from the Royal Commission                          | ✓<br>"An apology is only as good as the action that follows." | ✓<br>"100% yes."                                                                                                                                                            | ✗<br>"All? No."                                                                                                                                               | ✓*<br>"Yes, in principle."                                                                                                                                          | ✗<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> | ✗<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> | ✓                               |
| Regulate AI                                                                       | ✓<br><a href="#">Read more.</a>                               | ✓<br><a href="#">Read more.</a>                                                                                                                                             | ✓                                                                                                                                                             | ✓                                                                                                                                                                   | ✓<br><a href="#">Read more.</a> | ✗                               | ?                               |