

Disability Inclusion Plan – Defined Entity Working Group

Ms JOHNSTON question to MINISTER for DISABILITY SERVICES

My question is from a constituent in Mount Nelson. Minister, the Disability Inclusion Plan is a welcome framework, but the disability community has serious concerns about how it will be delivered. Every priority area requires real resourcing, staff time, systems and expertise, yet there is little confidence defined entities will get what they need in the current budget environment. The Defined Entity Working Group, while critical to a whole-of-government approach, has no disability community representation, and with an estimated 22 defined entities each required to develop their own action plan, the community simply does not have the numbers of people ready and resourced to sit on that many co-design bodies at once. Will you commit to funding and paying disability community representatives to participate in developing defined entities action plans and will you guarantee that the disability community has a seat at the table of the Defined Entity Working Group itself?