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Cabinet Paper: Making Disability Support Services more sustainable



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About this Easy Read



This Easy Read is a **summary** of a **Cabinet paper**.



A **summary**:

- is shorter than the full document
- includes the main points of the information.



A **Cabinet paper** is a document:

- from a **minister**
- asking **Cabinet** to agree to something.



A **minister** is an important person in the Government.

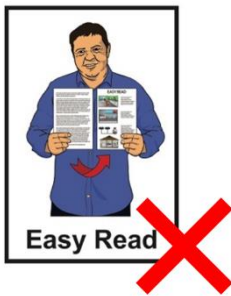


Cabinet is a group of ministers that meet to make decisions.



You can find the full Cabinet paper at:

www.whaikaha.govt.nz/news/independent-review/cabinet-paper-12-august-2024



The full Cabinet paper is not in Easy Read.



The Cabinet paper is from Louise Upston who is Minister for Disability Issues.

In this Easy Read we will call her **the Minister**.



This Cabinet paper is about making Disability Support Services more **sustainable**.

In this Easy Read we will say **DSS** for Disability Support Services.



Here sustainable means being able to keep DSS running well for a long time.

What is the Cabinet paper for?



In April 2024 Cabinet agreed to start a **review** of DSS.

A **review** is when you:

- check how things are going
- say if things should be done differently.



There is an Easy Read Cabinet paper with more information about this review at:



<https://tinyurl.com/cabinet29apr>



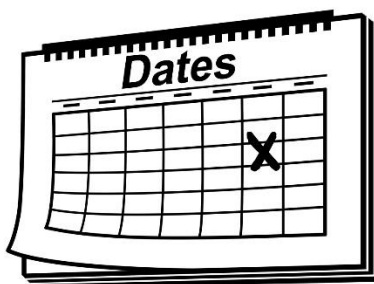
The **reviewers** have now done their first report.

Reviewers are the people who did the review.

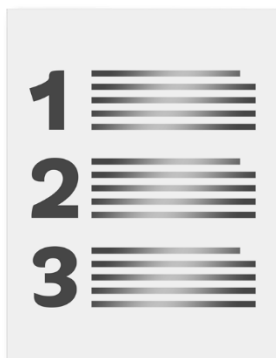


The Minister now wants Cabinet to agree to start work on the things the reviewers say should happen.

They want the next part of the review to happen in 3 parts.



All the 3 parts will start now.



Each part will focus on different **recommendations** from the review.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Recommendations are things someone thinks should happen.



To do the recommendations the Minister wants to use the money that was for **system transformation**.

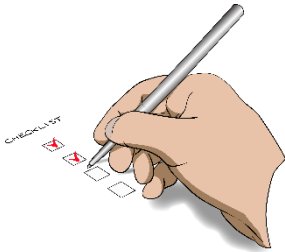


System transformation means changes to DSS to give disabled people more choice.

What the Cabinet paper says



The Cabinet paper tells Cabinet what the reviewers said should be done right now.



The Cabinet paper also asks Cabinet to agree to a list of things to do.



The things on the list will be done by a group of people from different parts of the government.



The group will work together at the Ministry of Social Development.

The Cabinet paper also asks Cabinet to agree to move DSS from:



- the **Ministry of Disabled People – Whaikaha**

to



- a new part of the Ministry of Social Development.



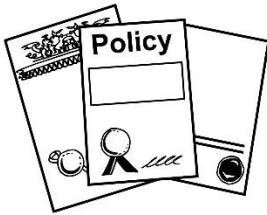
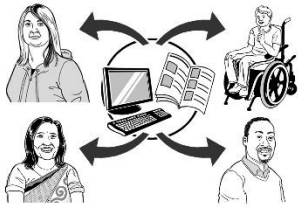
Ministry of Disabled People – Whaikaha is the part of the government that does work to do with disability.



In this Easy Read we will also call it **MoDP**.



The Cabinet paper asks Cabinet to agree to make MoDP a new public service department.



MoDP would look after:

- disability information / advice
- government relationships with disabled people
- policy which is like rules for what should happen
- checks on how systems are going
- leadership across government
- work on changing society.

Recommendations



In the Cabinet paper recommendations are things the Minister is asking Cabinet to agree to.



The Cabinet paper has a list of recommendations to do with:

- moving DSS
- setting up MoDP as a new department
- finding a new Chief Executive to be in charge of MoDP.





You can find all the
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