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**Oral Item: Promoting Effective Engagement of Disabled People in Policy Development and Service Design**

#  Hon Carmel Sepuloni, Minister for Disability Issues

These documents have been proactively released.

Cabinet minute confirmed on 18 February 2019.

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Dr Jonathan Godfrey as President of Blind Citizens along with the Social Investment Agency presented information on how disabled people had been engaged in consultation and the provision of advice to the Social Investment Agency in policy development.

This was used as an exemplar to present ideas on the expectations for consulting disabled people, effective engagement and consultation processes, the benefits of doing this effectively and that engagement needs to respect the diversity of disabled people.

An A3 document was presented to support the discussion.

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