



# NDIS Participant Reference Group Meeting Summary



This is the **meeting summary** from the NDIS **Participant Reference Group**.

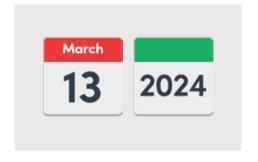
We say **PRG** for short.



This **meeting summary** says what we did at a PRG meeting.



It has important news we share with the community.



This meeting was on Wednesday 13 March 2024.

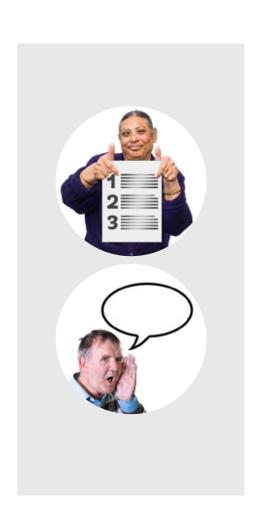
### Welcome



Donna Purcell said welcome to members.



Donna said thank you to all members who came to the PRG in February.



Debbie Irvine told everyone

How the meeting will run

· What we will talk about.



Debbie introduced Nina Bendon from the NDIA **Participant First team**.



The **Participant First team** work with participants on making the NDIS better for everyone.

### PRG accountability statement



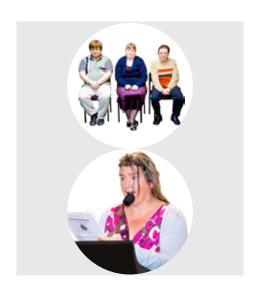
In our February meeting we talked about an **accountability statement** for the PRG.



An **accountability statement** is a document that says what people in a group each need to do.



We will say **statement** for short.



At the February meeting members went into groups to talk about what should be done by

- PRG members
- People from the NDIA who speak at PRG meetings.



Members wrote down their ideas.



We then talked about all the ideas.



The Participant First team put together all the ideas and made a **draft** statement.



A **draft** means it is not finished yet.



They shared it with us in this meeting.



They used the words the PRG members said should be in the statement.



They made the words easy to understand.



They also put the information in the statement into different parts.



We talked about the parts in our PRG meeting.

# What we promise part



We read the **what we promise** part.



Members said

What they liked

What they wanted to add

• What they wanted to take out.



They also said if they think it was easy to understand.



We made changes in the meeting for everyone to see.



PRG members agreed on most of the changes.



The Participant First team will keep working to make the words better.

### What we need from you part



PRG members looked at the **what we need from you** part.



They went into 3 groups and talked about

What they like

What they wanted to add

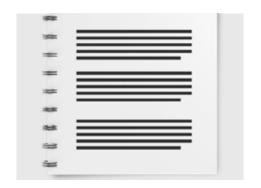
• What they wanted to take out.



They also said if it was easy to understand.



Members said some of the headings were hard to understand.



They said the writing in this part was too long.



Some of the things in this part did not have clear words.

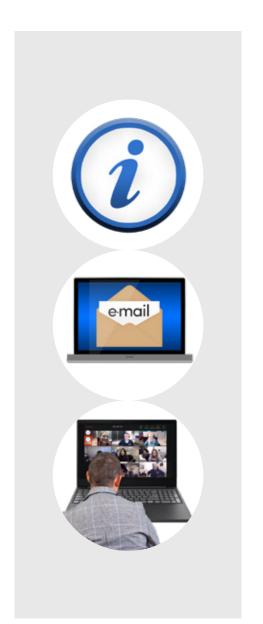


We will look at what everyone said and make a new statement after the meeting.

# Things that were not included



Some things we heard in our February meeting did not fit well into the statement.



We might use those ideas for other things like

Making information

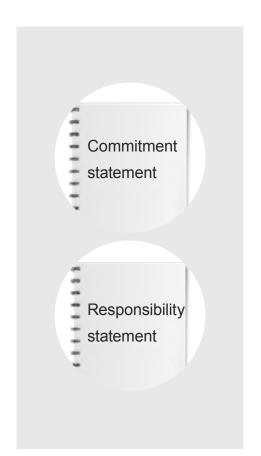
• Emails

• Setting up an online group.

#### Name of the statement



Some members thought the statement should have a different name.



They thought the name could be something like

Commitment statement

• Responsibility statement.



We had a **vote** in our meeting.



A **vote** is when we count what most people like best.



Most people said they like accountability statement best.

#### What next



PRG members will be sent the next copy of the accountability statement.



They can say if there is anything they do not like.



We will then make a final copy and share it with other NDIA teams first.



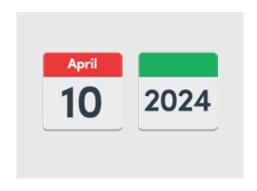
Then they will share the final copy at a PRG meeting.

### **End of meeting**



Debbie Irvine said thank you to PRG members for taking part in the meeting.

### **Next meeting**



The next meeting will be on Wednesday 10 April 2024.