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Registration for the 2020 Having a Say Conference is now open!

Daily registration includes morning and afternoon tea, entry to presentations, performances and come & try activities. Registration for the whole conference also includes a ticket to the Dinner Disco at The Pier with stunning views of the bay and city lights. You can register for the conference [here](#).

You can find out more about the Conference [here](#).

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Thank you,  
The VALID team

**Congratulations Kevin!**

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Last month our CEO Kevin Stone AM was awarded Member of the Order of Australia. Alongside him were VALID Life Members Dot Leigh and Gerard Langridge. Congratulations Kevin!

## **VALID Submission regarding Supported Independent Living**

VALID thanks the Joint Standing Committee on the National Disability Insurance Scheme for the opportunity presented by this inquiry to further examine and address some of the important issues with Supported Independent Living (SIL) funding. VALID has three key points and recommendations based on our experience of providing direct assistance over the past six years to hundreds of people with intellectual disabilities who are participants of the scheme.



## **Submission**

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your rights, your voice

The NDIS Act states some NDIA decisions can be reviewed. These are known as Reviewable Decisions. A person may request a review if they are directly affected by an NDIA decision. The request for review must be made within three months of receiving the reviewable decision notice. NDIS has an application form for a review of a reviewable decision and the advocacy organisation RIAC has provided advice to help you fill out the application.

## NDIS application

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### New Inclusion Australia CEO

Inclusion Australia is delighted to announce the appointment of Catherine McAlpine as Chief Executive Officer.



Catherine brings deep experience of the disability sector through her work in the not for profit and advocacy sectors. She is an experienced leader of state and national organisations with a track record of collaboration, innovation and achievement.

Congratulations Catherine!

## Inclusion Australia

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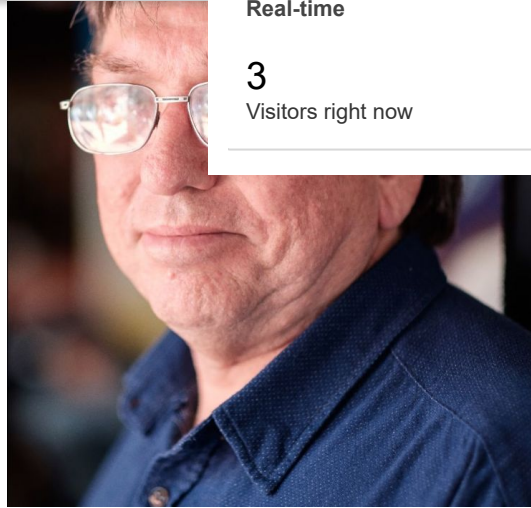
### A Candid Conversation with Kevin Stone

Earlier this year VALID's CEO Kevin Stone sat down with Roland and Evie

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Conversations". Kevin talks of his decades long journey in the disability sector and his unyielding confidence and belief in the people he serves.



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### Podcast

## What's on at VALID

### Families as Planning Partners

[Werribee](#) (Evening 7, 14, 21 and 28 Monday October)

[Mill Park](#) (Evening 8, 15, 22 and 30 Tuesday October)

[West Sunshine](#) (Day 8, 15, 22 and 29 Tuesday October)

[Mill Park](#) (Day 9, 16, 23 and 30 Wednesday October)

### Understanding Challenging Behaviour

[Richmond](#) (20 November)

[Richmond](#) (21 and 22 November)



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