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In this Edition

Rose Wilkinson, Chief Executive

Welcome to our September Focus issue. President Jonathan Godfrey's column discusses the Disability Support Services Bill and the importance of legislation shaped through meaningful consultation with disabled people and whānau. He also reflects on the growing use of Generative Artificial Intelligence (Gen AI) in government decision-making and the opportunities it can create when used responsibly.

We are pleased to share the newly finalised Blind Citizens NZ Strategic Plan 2027-2030, which sets out our direction for the future. With our 2026 AGM and Conference just weeks away, you'll find key event information and details of late registration opportunities. We also provide information about Blind Citizens NZ's 2026 Election Outcome, and we invite members to join our online voting pilot as we explore new ways to increase participation in our democratic processes. In addition you will find details about the General Election, including how to register for Telephone Dictation Voting, an outcome of Blind Citizens NZ's advocacy achieved in 2014.

Recognising Braille as the primary literacy and numeracy tool for many blind people, we share information about the Global Declaration on Braille Literacy in Education and the Global Braille Literacy Survey. Finally, don't forget to renew your membership and continue supporting the work and future of Blind Citizens NZ

Having your say

Jonathan Godfrey, President

“Blind people speaking for ourselves” has been a core feature of what Blind Citizens NZ is, and what it has always been, probably even before anyone decided it would make a good motto. It speaks of both our collectivism and our rights as individuals.

In my last column, I talked about the introduction of the Disability Support Services (DSS) Bill, which has now had its third reading in Parliament. Plenty of disabled people and families made submissions: three and a half thousand written submissions, many of them from people whose lives are directly affected by what happens to DSS. Once it receives Royal Assent, the bill becomes law and we'll be talking about the DSS Act. Several political parties have already said that if elected there will be changes, perhaps a repeal process. No matter what your personal choices might be at the General Election later this year, I bet most people reading this column don't like the idea that disability rights will continue to be a political football.

The Blind Citizens NZ submission affirmed the need to have a proper legal foundation for the provision of DSS. Unlike the Minister though, we didn't think it needed to be a rush job.

We believe that an apolitical solution could have been formulated, one that also had greater support of disabled people and whānau.

We rejected those aspects of the bill which we believe do not uphold the rights of disabled people. Those rights are conferred by NZ's ratification of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD), Te Tiriti o Waitangi, and other human rights instruments. We sought inclusion of the UNCRPD as an explicit reference in the legislation; the Select Committee thought otherwise.

The submissions we make are based on agreed policies where possible and long-held organisational principles when our policy documents don't cover specific issues under discussion. For example, Maritime NZ has been working on policies for ferries and the like. Maritime NZ worked with the DPO Coalition and each DPO was able to nominate a person to a working group to help develop a range of ideas on which Maritime NZ would then consult more widely.

Blind Citizens NZ does not have a policy on anything relating to boats of any kind, but we do have documents on land-based public transport, access to information, and a view that disabled people should be able to travel by boat alongside our non-disabled peers and family members.

Similarly, we don't have any policies on the use of Generative Artificial Intelligence (Gen AI). One of the remits coming to our AGM in October includes a reference to automated decision-making by Work and Income.

I admit that at first, I had my reservations about the framing of Gen AI being included as a bad thing for Work and Income to be using. In DPO Coalition discussions with Ministry of Social Development (MSD) officials, we were assured that the use of automated decision-making would speed up the process of successful applications and that no machine would reject an application without a human being involved in the process. It was painted as a way to get the good outcomes faster and that safeguards were in place to prevent adverse outcomes.

I am a huge fan of Gen AI. It is making my life easier and more productive. I use it to support my employment, my leisure activities, the sheep-breeding programme, farm chores such as fertiliser optimisation, and sometimes even things I do for Blind Citizens NZ. I will probably ask Gen AI for suggestions on how to make this column more readable for example. I will be given advice by the Gen AI tool of my choosing, but I will then also have to choose how I will use that advice. The end-product has my name on it. I am responsible and I cannot blame Gen AI for any clangers I let through.

What we've seen unfold recently though, is that MSD has relied on Gen AI in ways that officials were not capable of working with. Gen AI created a deluge of work that the humans couldn't cope with. It is what happened next though, that troubles me. Instead of the machinery leaving well enough alone, it seems that in the end, the machines did get to make decisions without humans being involved. Call them benefit cuts or failure to receive entitlements, the outcome is the same - people were denied their rightful payments, and now Gen AI is getting the blame. The people who were opposed to the use of Gen AI are saying, "I told you so".

But hang on just a moment. Those machines were controlled and designed by humans. Humans chose how to deploy that technology, and humans specified boundaries within which the Gen AI had the power to act. If MSD hasn't controlled its use of Gen AI properly, then surely it is on MSD's humans to explain their actions. Maybe it's also time for the Minister of Social Development to take more responsibility too.

Government has a new agency to assist its other agencies in coming to grips with the continually-changing digital world we are operating in. The Government Digital Delivery Agency (GDDA) is an important agency for us as blind people, not just because it might have some role in the use of Gen AI, but also because it is the agency responsible for the accessibility of Government websites and other digital technology.

Recently, the GDDA wanted people to have our say on its ideas for a new “Digital Accessibility Standard” (DAS). The DAS will replace the existing Web Accessibility Standard and be in place in early 2027. The DAS is an exciting initiative, or could be if it actually has teeth.

After all, we might have had website standards for many years, but we still see a significant proportion of Government websites that just do not meet the Government’s own standards.

One of the nicest things I’ve seen coming from the use of Gen AI is an increasing awareness for meeting accessibility needs. I can use Gen AI to not only tell me what must change about the presentation of a given website, but also to tell me what actual changes are required under the hood to get those changes in place. If the developer wants, the right Gen AI tool will also do the editing of the underlying code for the website. I therefore suggest that fixing basic accessibility requirements for websites has become considerably easier than it was before Gen AI was there to help. In addition, if improvements in websites are possible, then change is also possible for other documents such as those needed for education and other scenarios.

Part of the fascinating discussion with the GDDA people on the DAS during consultation was their initial assumption that Gen AI could solve other problems that exist. In particular, creation of the various alternate formats we make use of.

At first they thought that Gen AI could speed up the production of Braille and make use of digitised audio to replace human narration. This might be a reality in five- or ten-years' time, but it is not a reality today.

I believe the key individuals at the GDDA heard the evidence presented to them and ultimately recognised that their ideas needed to be withdrawn. As it happens, many of their assumptions hinged on the ability of end-users to make the Braille or audio for ourselves. We stressed that the tools used by professionals to make Braille and audio are not able to be used by anyone who is totally reliant on Braille or audio.

The last item I wanted to highlight in this column, and it links to the last one, is that according to Internet NZ, over 10% of New Zealanders are not getting online. They quite clearly are not all blind, but many folks from our community are totally reliant on the flow of information coming to them in hardcopy Braille or audio of some form.

Blind Citizens NZ spends a considerable amount of money to make sure our people get information in their chosen format. If you receive this magazine by email or are reading it online, it costs practically nothing. If you receive it in hardcopy, then it was printed or embossed and posted to you at an ever-increasing cost. Anyone listening to the audio either got it on a dedicated telephone-based service called TellMe or was sent it on a physical medium. I am not criticising anyone for their need to receive a physical item.

However, I ask those of us who receive the cheaper option to keep something in mind. To ensure everyone continues to have a say, Blind Citizens NZ needs to keep members informed.

We will therefore, continue to communicate our actions and activities to all members and to offer means for members without a digital presence to have their say.

Blind Citizens NZ Strategic Plan 2027-2030

From Rose Wilkinson, Chief Executive

Introduction, from the Board

At its August meeting, the Board considered feedback to Blind Citizens NZ's Draft Strategic Plan. The collective feedback and insights have assisted the Board, influencing amendments that have further shaped the Strategic Plan, reflecting Blind Citizens NZ's priorities and aspirations.

The Strategic Plan 2027-2030 is now finalised and publicised as intended in our September Focus issue. It will also be included in the AGM and Conference Agenda for information and, as previously advised, there will be an opportunity for discussion if members have questions.

Here now is the Strategic Plan, 2027-2030

Strategic Plan – 2027-2030

Purpose

Blind Citizens NZ exists to give voice to the aspirations and lived experiences of blind, deafblind, low vision and vision-impaired people (blind people) living in Aotearoa New Zealand. We aim to achieve this by heightening awareness of our rights and removing the barriers that negate our ability to live in an accessible, equitable, and inclusive society.

Vision

Aotearoa New Zealand is a nation where blind, deafblind, low vision and vision-impaired people are inspired and supported to live life as we choose, and where we can participate fully.

Note: In the context of this document, the word “blind” includes all people who are blind, deafblind, low vision, vision-impaired, or who use any other blindness term to describe themselves. Additionally, unless otherwise stated, wherever reference is made to Networks, this includes both Geographic and Special Interest Networks.

Values

We value equally the following statements:

- As an organisation, we seek to maximise the self-worth and meaningful engagement of our people - He Tangata, He Tangata, He Tangata.

- The principles of Te Tiriti O Waitangi with particular reference to Kāwanatanga (Governance), Rangatiratanga (Self Determination), Rite Tahi (Equality).
- The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and the New Zealand Government's ratification of it.
- Respect for the different ways each of us responds to the challenges of blindness.
- The shared learning and support received from the lived experiences of others.
- Commitment to democratic processes and inclusive practices that ensure our representations have a mandate from our members.
- Commitment to sustained effort in our advocacy.
- Constructive, cooperative, and mutually supportive relationships with other disability organisations;
- Our history and the role we have played in the lives of blind people since 1945.

Our Aspirations

We aspire to:

- Advocate that blind people are treated respectfully, our dignity is upheld, and that we are treated equitably.
- Develop the capability of blind people and the Blind Citizens NZ Branches and Networks in which we are active.

- Maximise the well-being and independence of our members.
- Improve society's awareness of issues affecting blind people.
- Strengthen the representation of Blind Citizens NZ as an active member and leader throughout the disability sector, both in Aotearoa New Zealand and internationally.

Our Strategic Imperative

To create a stronger, interconnected Disabled People's Organisation which promotes, resources, and fosters the well-being of blind people by increasing their participation in Blind Citizens NZ activities.

We intend to achieve our aspirations and strategic imperative by addressing the following goals, which are to:

- increase and strengthen our membership year on year;
- increase the number of members who are actively participating in National, Branch, and | or Network activities;
- strengthen our Branches and Networks so they can advocate for their members;
- increase the collective capacity of our community to accept roles as leaders within Blind Citizens NZ and beyond;
- promote the voices of blind people, and their whanau, in advocating for an inclusive and fully accessible society.

Blind Citizens NZ 2026
AGM and Conference | Times are changing
Are we surviving or thriving?
From Rose Wilkinson, Chief Executive

Time is racing by, and by the time this September Focus issue reaches you, we will be only a few weeks away from our AGM and Conference. Although registrations officially closed on 14 September, don't be shy if you've overlooked letting us know you'd like to join us. Whether you plan to attend in person or online, email us at admin@blindcitizensnz.org.nz or give us a call on 0800 222 694. We'll do what we can to make your registration possible.

For those travelling and attending in person, we continue to recommend arriving on Thursday, 8 October. This ensures you have time to settle in and be well rested for the 9am start on Friday 9 October. This approach also gives you the opportunity to attend any of our side-event sessions scheduled that afternoon. We wrap up the formal programme around 5pm on Saturday, 10 October, followed by our Conference Dinner and presentation of awards that evening.

Talking about awards, this year, the Board is proposing that Vaughan Dodd be an inductee to Blind Citizen NZ's Memorial Hall of Honour. Many of our readers will recall the various roles Vaughan held over a number of years and the numerous opportunities he took to be involved in Blind Citizens NZ mahi.

A past National President and a Member-for-Life, the proposal recognises the many contributions Vaughan made that continue to benefit blind, deafblind, low vision and vision-impaired people in Aotearoa New Zealand.

This year's theme "Times are changing – Are we surviving or thriving?" reflects many of the important conversations planned to happen across Blind Citizens NZ. This aligns closely with the now finalised Strategic Plan 2027–2030, and challenges us to consider membership, relevance, and Blind Citizens NZ's long-term sustainability.

Thursday Side Events: Members attending in-person are welcome to join any of the following side-event sessions on Thursday afternoon:

- 1pm-2:00pm: Te Tiriti Advisory Group Aotearoa
- 2:15pm-3:15pm: Guide Dog Handlers Special Interest Network;
- 3:30-4:30pm: Braille Special Interest Network;
- 4:45pm-5:45pm: Blind Women.

This year, instead of a side-event for World Blind Union, we are offering a breakfast catch-up with our two WBU delegates. This will happen on Saturday 10 October – attendees will be advised more about this opportunity.

Guest Presenters: we are delighted to welcome our distinguished presenters and guests, including:

- Invercargill City Mayor Tom Campbell (Official Opening);
- Associate Professor Brigit Mirfin-Veitch, Kaiuruki Matua - Director, and Dr Robbie Francis Watene, Kairakahau Matua Whaikaha - Disabled Research Lead, Donald Beasley Institute;
- Paula Tesoriero MNZM, PLY, Chief Executive Whaikaha | Ministry of Disabled People;
- Sir Peter Boshier | Patron Blind Citizens NZ;
- Andrea Midgen, Chief Executive and Dan Shepherd, General Manager Community & Inclusion, Blind Low Vision NZ;
- Dr Greg Morgan, Acting Head of Planning, Auckland Emergency Management

A special welcome for first-time attendees: if this is your first AGM and Conference, the President extends a standing invitation to join him for dinner on Thursday evening. This informal gathering is an opportunity to ask questions, learn more about how the AGM and Conference proceedings work, and to gain insight into some of the unique elements of Blind Citizens NZ. Most importantly, it is a chance to meet other members and feel confident about participating fully through the event.

We are looking forward to welcoming members and guests from across Aotearoa New Zealand, both in person and online. If you have not yet registered, please get in touch. We would love to have you join us.

Get ready for this year's General Election

Note to readers

Blind Citizens NZ has continued our engagement with the Electoral Commission to assist ensure all elements of the General Election are accessible to blind, deafblind, low vision and vision-impaired people. Our advocacy has included direct engagement with the Electoral Commission, collaboration through the Disabled People's Organisations (DPO) Coalition, and more recently joint work with Blind Low Vision NZ. We are pleased to publish the following information provided by the Electoral Commission.

Introduction

The Electoral Commission is encouraging New Zealanders to enrol early this election.

The 2026 General Election will be held on Saturday 7 November, with advance voting starting on Monday 26 October.

You need to enrol or update your enrolment details before voting starts. This is by midnight, Sunday 25 October.

You won't be able to enrol at a voting place. This is different to the last two elections when you could enrol and vote at the same time.

Enrol early

If you enrol or update your details by 4 October, your name will be on the printed electoral roll and you will receive an EasyVote card.

If your email address is in your enrolment record, you'll receive the card by email. If your email is not in your enrolment record or you're on the unpublished roll, it will be sent by post. The EasyVote card won't be sent by text.

When you're ready to vote, take your EasyVote card with you to the voting place to make the voting faster and easier.

However, you don't need an EasyVote card to vote.

You can still enrol and update your details after that date, before enrolment closes on 25 October, but you will need to make a special vote, which takes longer.

More information on how to use your EasyVote card will be sent in the letter or email with your card.

Where to go to enrol

Enrol, check or update your details online at [**vote.nz**](https://vote.nz) or call freephone **0800 36 76 56** and talk to our team.

You can also text your name and address to **3676** and the team will send you an enrolment form.

Telephone dictation service

If you're eligible to vote in the 2026 General Election and are blind, partially blind, or have a physical disability that means you cannot mark your voting paper without assistance, you can register for the telephone dictation service.

You can vote using this service if you live in New Zealand or if you are overseas.

You can register to vote by telephone dictation from Monday 5 October by calling:

- **0800 028 028** from within New Zealand; or
- **+64 4 471 2000** from overseas (international calling rates may apply).

When you call you will need to select option 1 to register.

Registrations close at 12pm, Saturday 7 November (NZ time).

You can visit **Telephone dictation service | vote.nz** or this link **<https://tinyurl.com/3dstyscn>** for more information about this service.

Election Access Fund

The Election Access Fund Te Tomokanga — Pūtea Whakatapoko Pōtitanga is available to support disabled candidates in the 2026 General Election.

The Fund covers costs for things such as assistive technology and hiring support to participate as a candidate.

The Fund is now open for applications for the 2026 General Election.

Take your point of view to more places and find out more about the Election Access Fund at

Election Access Fund | elections.nz or take this link

<https://tinyurl.com/yvxy29zz> **Accessible resources available for the 2026 General Election**

The Commission has a range of resources.

Information in accessible formats on enrolling and voting in the 2026 General Election can be found on

Information in accessible formats | vote.nz or this link

<https://tinyurl.com/yuhnzn74>

Enrolment information is available in English, te reo Māori and 29 other languages:

Enrolment information in multiple languages | vote.nz or

this link **<https://tinyurl.com/3pvhxa28>**

Blind Citizens NZ 2026 Election Outcome From Rose Wilkinson, Returning Officer

Although the AGM and Conference is where the official announcement is made about the election outcome, it seems timely to share this important information in this Focus Issue.

Nominations for the two Board Member positions for this year's election closed at 4pm on Friday 21 August 2026.

At the close of nominations, only one nomination was received. Paula Waby, who is currently serving on the Board, was the sole nominee and is therefore re-elected unopposed to one of the two available Board Member positions. Paula's new three-year term will commence at the conclusion of this year's AGM and Conference.

Congratulations to Paula on her re-election.

As only one of the two Board Member positions has been filled, the remaining position is considered to be a vacancy. This vacancy will remain until the next annual election. This means that at the 2027 election, there will be three Board Member positions available:

- Two Board Member positions whose current terms expire in 2027.
- One Board Member position arising from the vacancy created in this year's election.

Provided there are sufficient nominations, the candidates elected to the two positions becoming vacant in 2027 will each serve a full three-year term. The candidate elected to fill the vacancy from this year's election will serve a two-year term, completing the balance of the original three-year term.

For reference, Rule 14.2.8 applies where an elected Board Member position remains unfilled following an election.

Be Part of our Online Voting Pilot

Although there is no election this year, Blind Citizens NZ continues to explore how we can ensure that voting in our organisational elections is more accessible for everyone. A planned activity is to coordinate a pretend | practice, online election. We already know the system works well for confident blind tech users. We need to hear from financial (voting) members who may not often engage with online systems, or who just do not feel comfortable using them.

If this sounds like you, or if you've ever thought, "I'm not very techy", then we'd love you to take part.

We still need volunteers to make up preferred numbers of around 20 people being involved. You'll be part of a simple, safe, fake election designed only for testing. There are no real candidates, no real political issues, and no impact on any official organisational processes. We'll be asking you to tell us what worked and what didn't.

Your feedback will help shape a more accessible voting experience for our members.

If we already have your expression of interest, you are on our list and you don't need to do anything else. Otherwise, to be considered, please provide your expression of interest by 9am, Wednesday, 14 October 2026, using one of the following options:

- Email: admin@blindcitizensnz.org.nz
(put volunteer online voting in the subject line); or
- Phone: 0800 222 694

Global Declaration on Braille Literacy in Education and Global Braille Literacy Survey

The World Blind Union (WBU) and the International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI), have jointly issued the Global Declaration on Braille Literacy in Education.

Blind Citizens NZ along with many other organisations across the world fully support the Global Declaration, and the recently promoted Braille Literacy Survey.

In Aotearoa New Zealand, our mahi has involved Blind Citizens NZ's Braille Special Interest Network working with Blind Low Vision NZ to promote the importance of Braille.

Led by Chantelle Griffiths Coordinator of our Braille Special Interest Network, this has involved online hui where thought-provoking questions, suggestions and discussions with James Carrick from BLVNZ's Braille Project Lead have taken place. These efforts, link well to Blind Citizens NZ's commitment to advancing Braille literacy, and our registered support to the global campaign.

More recently, at the conclusion of its 35th session in August 2026, the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) issued a statement in support of the Global Declaration. It described the Declaration as “a significant initiative of organizations of persons with disabilities and civil society organizations to strengthen implementation of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.”

This recognition is an important milestone for the Global Braille Literacy Campaign which anyone can support. That is to say, you do not need to be a Braille user to support this global initiative. The Declaration remains open for additional organisational and individual endorsements until the end of September 2026. We encourage our readers to add your support to this initiative.

To do this, please take the following shortened URL link <https://tinyurl.com/26cpk6oe> or the full link <https://icevi.org/global-declaration-add-your-voice/#organizational-and-individual-endorsements>

The Campaign is also undertaking a Global Braille Literacy Survey to build an international evidence base about how braille is produced, taught, learned, used and accessed, and the factors that enable or create barriers to braille literacy.

The survey is open to:

- adults aged 18 years and over who are blind, deafblind, low vision or vision-impaired;
- parents and guardians of children who are blind, deafblind, low vision or vision-impaired;
- teachers and other professionals involved in Braille education; and
- Braille transcribers.

Blind Citizens NZ encourages anyone meeting any of the above-mentioned survey criteria to participate, and to also share this opportunity as widely as you can. The survey is available in a number of languages. You can find out more by taking the following link **tiny.cc/braillesurvey**

Every response helps strengthen the understanding of Braille literacy around the world and supports future advocacy, including here in Aotearoa New Zealand.

For questions, MS Word versions for offline distribution, or enquiries about additional language versions, please contact info@icevi.org or info@wbu.ngo.

Membership Renewal Reminder

This is a general reminder to subscription-paying members that membership renewals for 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027 are now due. Subscriptions can be paid in person at a Branch or Geographic Network event. If these options are not suitable, we have alternate, safe options to replace the in-person approach. You can ask your bank to assist by making a one-off payment to the National Office bank account. Alternately consider setting up an annual payment so your membership renewal is processed automatically each year. Internet and phone banking are also options you can use to pay your annual subscription.

We have two subscription rates. For Ordinary (voting) Members and Associate Members it is \$10 per year, or \$30 per year for those able to contribute this amount. There is no longer a rate that differentiates between working and non-working members. You choose the rate that best meets your circumstances. For Ordinary (voting) Members, keeping your membership current ensures you can participate in Blind Citizens NZ elections, and other democratic processes. The \$300 Member-for-Life subscription remains available to Ordinary (voting) Members.

A renewal form follows for anyone wishing to take advantage of this reminder. If providing subscription payment details to your bank, you may wish to take this issue of Focus with you. This will ensure you have the account details at hand.

Blind Citizens NZ, Membership Renewal Form |

Financial to 30 June 2027

When depositing funds into Blind Citizens NZ's bank account to renew your membership, please let our National Office know. You can post this form to PO Box 7144, Newtown, Wellington 6242, phone us on 0800 222 694 or email us at admin@blindcitizensnz.org.nz

As a reference, please include the first letter of your Christian name and full surname, and the reference "MembSubs". Blind Citizens NZ's bank account details are: 06-0230-0002634-00.

Full Name: (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms): _____

Address: _____

Email _____ **Phone No:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Ethnicity:** _____

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Membership subscriptions for Ordinary and Associate Members are \$10 per year, or \$30 per year for those who can afford it. Please select and indicate the amount you are paying from the options below.

- **Ordinary Membership** – for blind | deafblind | low vision and vision impaired (blind) members registered with or eligible to receive full services from Blind Low Vision NZ: **\$10 or \$30**.
- **Associate Membership** – for family | friends | whanau: **\$10 or \$30**
- **Membership-for-Life** is available to those who meet the criteria for Ordinary Membership: **\$300.00**

I include a **donation** \$_____ for National Office | Branch | Network.

Blind Citizens NZ – Board and National Office

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