



Join us on Zoom: Kōrero for Change – Banking



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We invite you to our kōrero / talk



This is an Easy Read document about **Kōrero for Change**.



Kōrero for Change is about talking to make things better for people with disabilities

You are invited to take part in our Kōrero for Change being held online using **Zoom**:



- **Wednesday 15 April 2026**
- **9 am to 11 am**



You can join the Zoom meeting using this link: [**Click Here**](#)

Information about the kōrero / talk



The kōrero / talk is being run by **Access Matters Aotearoa**.



Access Matters Aotearoa:

- are speaking up to make sure that all places / things are:
 - accessible
 - easy for everyone to use
- are speaking up about accessibility rules that will make life better for all people with disabilities
- want there to be rules about accessibility that must be followed.





At the kōrero / talk we will talk about **access to banking**.



Access to banking means:

- keeping your money safe
- letting you save and spend.



We will talk about how we can make banking:

- accessible
- safe
- inclusive for everyone
- easier.





We will also talk about how having rules will help banking to be more:

- accessible
- inclusive
- fairer.



People think about what is needed to make this happen.



Things like:

- easier access
- training
- awareness.





We will also talk about what **ableism** looks like with banking

Ableism is when people are treated unfairly because they are disabled.

Who is presenting at the kōrero / talk



Talk leader:

Dr Rebekah Graham

Rebekah is a:

- Community psychologist
- Co-chair Access Matters Aotearoa.



Main speakers:

Neil Jarvis

Digital Accessibility Specialist
Independent.



Bruce Maguire

Lead Policy Advisor
Vision Australia.

Panel – Deciders/Thinkers



Peter Harrison

Managing Director
ThinkPlace.



Nicola Sladden

Banking Ombudsman
Banking Ombudsman Scheme.



Steve Wiggins

Chief Executive
Payments New Zealand.



Dr Rachelle Martin

Senior Lecturer
University of Otago.

Panel – Creators/Doers



Tania Reed

Digital Accessibility Manager
Westpac New Zealand.



Jared Hutcheson

Programme Manager
Westpac New Zealand.



Jake Lilley

Senior Policy Advisor
FinCap.



Dr Annette Rotherham

Clinician-Researcher in Aphasia
Health New Zealand.

Kōrero Assistants:



Neil Jarvis

Digital Accessibility Specialist
Independent.



Callum McMEnamin

Digital Accessibility Specialist
Founder
Open Access.

The plan for the kōrero / talk

There are 7 parts to the kōrero /talk.



9.00 am - Part 1:

Welcome from

Dr Rebekah Graham

Dr. Rebekah Graham will start by going over what we are going to do during the Zoom talk.



9.05 am - Part 2:

What is ableism –

Neil Jarvis

Neil Jarvis will talk about what ableism is.



Neil Jarvis will also talk about what ableism is in how:

- our money is looked after
- we access our money
- we pay for things.



9.15 am - Part 3:

Speaker on how leaders can make changes

Bruce Maguire will explain how rules:

- can help
- and
- also not help.



9.25 am - Part 4:

Panel Talk – the Deciders / Thinkers

Sharing their thoughts on how they can improve access to banking for people with disabilities:

- Peter Harrison
- Nicola Sladden
- Steve Wiggins
- Dr Rachelle Martin.



Part 5: Questions and Answers

A chance for people to ask questions.



10.10 am - Part 6:

Panel talk – the Creators / Doers

Sharing their thoughts about their research and lived experience for people with disabilities:

- Tania Reed
- Jared Hutcheson
- Jake Lilley
- Dr Annette Rotherham



Part 7: Questions and Answers

A chance for people to ask questions.

Where you can find more information



You can find more information about Access Matters Aotearoa on their **website:**



www.accessmatters.org.nz



You can also **email** Kimberly Graham with any questions:

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