

Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

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Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Pre-election Appointments

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Question:

Provide a list of any appointments made in your portfolio that will commence after the announced election date of 14 September 2013. Provide details of the appointment including position and length.

Answer:

i) National Place-Based Advisory Group

The National Place-Based Advisory Group provides advice to the Minister for Human Services on initiatives that will support the development of effective local solutions to achieve social and economic participation outcomes, with a particular focus on the very long term unemployed, jobless families and teen parents.

Members are appointed based on skills and experience relevant to advancing the development, implementation and evaluation of place-based initiatives, and are drawn from business, philanthropy, academia and the not-for-profit sector.

The Group currently has 11 members, including the Chair. These appointments were made by the Minister for Human Services on 19 September 2012 and will expire on 18 September 2013.

The Department, in consultation with the Chair, is reviewing the current membership and will provide advice to the Minister for Human Services before the term expires.

ii) Australian Hearing

The following appointment will commence after 14 September 2013:

Name	Position	Gender	Term of appointment
Mr William Davidson	Managing Director	M	24.10.13 – 23.10.18

The term of the current Managing Director, Australian Hearing is due to expire on 23 October 2013. Mr Davidson's appointment was made based on a competitive selection process.