

A plan to look after the planet and Disabled people in Bristol





About climate change

Climate change means our planet is getting dangerously hot. This is making lots of problems.



Climate change is happening because people use dirty fuels like oil and gas.



People need to use less dirty fuels to stop climate change.



This means we need lots of changes so it's easy for people to look after the planet. For example we need better buses. This would be good for Disabled people and the planet.

Climate change and Disabled people (Climate change means our planet is getting dangerously hot.)



Climate change can be worse for some Disabled people. For example some people feel ill when the weather gets very hot.



Some actions to look after the planet can also make things harder for Disabled people. For example if it is made harder to drive.



Disabled people must be part of the changes happening in Bristol to look after the planet.



We need to make plans that are good for Disabled people. This will make the changes more fair.

Making a plan



To make sure Disabled people are part of this work we made a community climate action plan.



A community climate action plan is a plan that says how to make change in a way that is good for the planet and people.



It is written by a community to say what work they will do.



It also says what work the community wants other people to do.



About this plan

This plan was first written in 2021.



We made a new version in 2025. This made the plan even better.



We now need to get people with power to support the plan. We want them to make ideas in the plan happen.



Please help us share the plan.



General section

This part of the plan is about the ideas that need to be thought about in the whole plan.



Disabled people should be part of designing the city's projects to look after the planet.



The council should always be fair. Disabled people should be part of the work that decides if a project is fair for Disabled people.



For some ideas to happen we need the UK Government to make changes too.



For example the government needs to put more money towards looking after the planet.

Being prepared as communities



Climate change can be more dangerous for Disabled people. For example some people feel unwell in hot weather.



Disabled people should be helped to make plans for how they will stay safe when dangerous weather happens. For example if it floods.



There are safe places people can go when dangerous weather happens. These places should meet the needs of Disabled people. For example wheelchair users should be able to use them.



Disability groups should be given money and help to grow stronger. That way disability groups will be there to help Disabled people when things get difficult.

Transport



We need more buses that are good for Disabled people in Bristol. For example bus drivers should be trained so they always put ramps down for wheelchair users.



We need to drive less to look after the planet. But Disabled people who have to drive should still be allowed to.



We need better pavements. That way it will be safer for Disabled people to walk and roll.



We need more taxis that can take wheelchairs. Taxi drivers should know how to be good to Disabled people.

Food



Community meals should be good for Disabled people. (A community meal is when a big meal is run for local people. The food is cheap or free.)



Supermarkets must be good for all Disabled people.



We need to make some changes to what we eat to look after the planet. But people should be able to still eat the food they need to be well.



Disabled people should be helped to grow their own food if they want to.

Housing



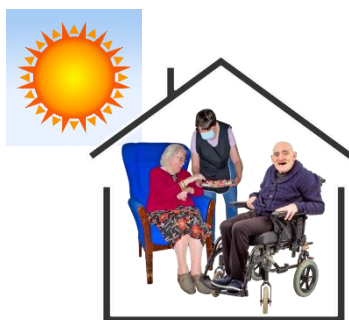
More houses that are good for Disabled people should be built.



Houses should be changed so they are safer in dangerous weather. For example so they stay cooler when it is very hot.



Houses for Disabled people must have everything they need nearby. For example the doctor, shops and a park.



When the weather gets dangerous we must keep homeless people safe. For example we must give them cool places to go when it is very hot.



Nature

Parks should be good for Disabled people and easy to get to. For example parks should have lots of benches.



Disabled people should be able to get up close to plants and animals. For example paths for wheelchairs should go close to where the flowers are.



Plants should be grown in streets and places where Disabled people go. For example there should be nice plants outside the doctors.



We need clean air in Bristol. This is important for our health.



Energy

We should heat our homes in ways that are good for the planet. These ways must be good for Disabled people too.



Advice about how to heat our homes must meet the needs of Disabled people.



The equipment used to heat our homes must meet the needs of Disabled people.



Money should be given to Disabled people that can help them heat their home in a way that is good for the planet.

Waste



Some Disabled people have to use lots of plastic to stay well. For example they might need to use plastic gloves.



We must not make them feel bad for using the things they have to.



Disabled people should be helped to do recycling.



People who collect the bins should put bins back in a way that doesn't block the pavement.

Jobs and learning



Lots of new jobs are being made to look after the planet.



Some of these jobs should go to Disabled people.



Disabled people should always be paid for helping on a project. If there is no money they could be paid in food or a voucher.



Disabled people should be taught about climate change. (Climate change means our planet is getting dangerously hot.) This should be fun and not use jargon.

About this guide



This book was made by a project called the Community Climate Action Project.



The plan was made by Disabled people from Bristol. Lots of people put in their ideas.



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