Wollongong City Council

Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2026-2030

Easy Read Version

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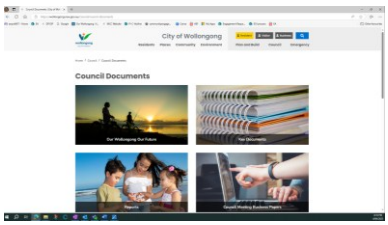
About this Plan

Wollongong City Council wrote this plan.

This Easy Read plan is a **summary** of another plan.

A **summary** only has the most important ideas.



You can find the other plan on our website at wollongong.nsw.gov.au/your-council/plans-and-reports

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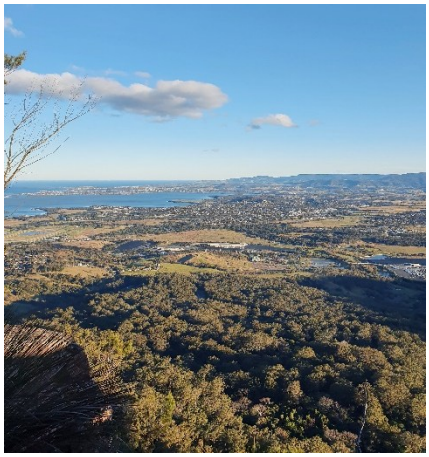
They were the first people to live on and use the

- Land
- Rivers
- Seas.



Our area is Dharawal Country.

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Why we have this plan

Many people have disability.

People with disability have the same rights as everyone else.

All councils in New South Wales must have a plan to make things better for people with disability.

Our plan shows what we will do to make Wollongong better for people with disability.

What we have done already

We asked children who are blind or have low vision to share their ideas for a playground.

We have beach wheelchairs for adults and children.

We help athletes with disability use our gyms and pools.

People with disability visit schools to share their stories with students.

Our libraries have

- A Quiet Hour

- a knitting group for people who are blind or have low vision.

We made videos to help people visit the Art Gallery and Youth Centre.

We worked with Guide Dogs NSW to make streets safer to use.

We are making it easier for people with disability to get a job with us.

We support businesses that hire people with disability.

We made our festivals better by including sign language and performers with disability.

We talked to people with disability

We talked to people with disability about what should be in this plan.

Lots of people shared their ideas with us.

They did things like

- Filled out surveys

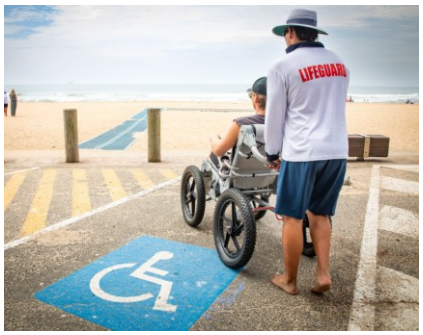
- Came to workshops

- Talked to us.

People told us they were happy with

- Playgrounds

- Libraries



- Beaches

- Events

People told us we can do better with

- Footpaths

- Parking

- Toilets

People also told us what they want us to do to make Wollongong better for people with disability.

What we will do

We will make it easier and safer to move around and be included.

We will

- Make toilets easier to find and use.

- Make parking and drop off areas easier to use.

- Make playgrounds, parks, beaches and pools easier to use.

- Make sport and leisure places easier to use.

- Make libraries and community centres easier to use.

- Help people with disability stay safe in emergencies.

We will make our activities easy for you to join.

We will

- Help everyone feel welcome at community events.

- Work with groups and businesses to help them understand disability.

We will show the community how to treat you with respect.

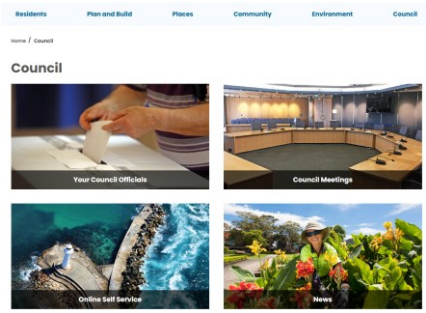
We will

- Teach our staff about disability and inclusion.

- Share real stories of people with disability.

- Show people with disability in our photos and information.

We will make it easier for you to use our services and understand information.



We will

- Make our website easier to use.

- Make it easier to contact us and get help.

- Share information in easy to read ways.

- Plan projects so they suit everyone.

We will make jobs for people with disability

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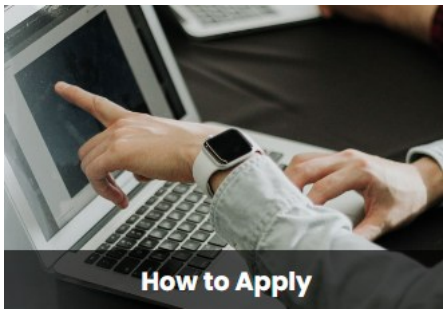
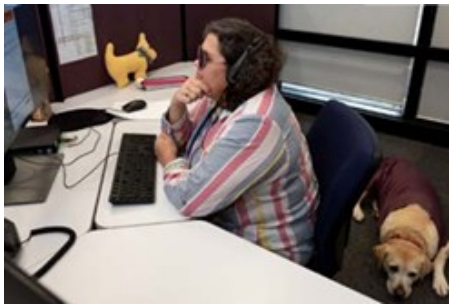
- Buy things and services from businesses who employ people with disability.



- Make it easier to apply for a job with us.

- Give extra help when someone needs it.



- Help people with disability get jobs through work experience.

How we will know the plan is working

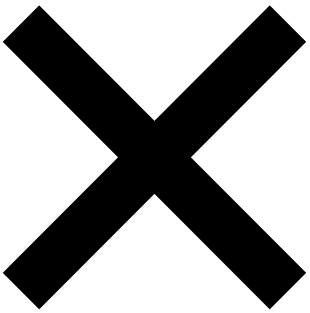
We need to make sure this plan is working well.

We will tell you each year what we have done.

We will review this plan every 4 years.

The law

Everyone has the right to use services and facilities.



It is against the law to stop people with disability from using services and facilities because of their disability.

Contact us for more information

Phone us on **4227 7111**

Visit our website

www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au

Email

council@wollongong.nsw.gov.au

Write us a letter and post it to

Wollongong City Council

PO Box 8821

Wollongong DC 2500

If you're d/Deaf or hard of hearing contact us through the National Relay Service on TTY 133 677.

If you need an interpreter contact us through the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who helped us make this Plan.

Your ideas help make Wollongong a better place for everyone.