



City of
Mount Gambier

Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2020 - 2024



Easy Read

How to use the plan



The City of Mount Gambier wrote this plan.

When you see the word 'we', it means City of Mount Gambier.



The City of Mount Gambier is a group that looks after the city.



We have written this plan in an easy to read way.

We use pictures to explain some ideas.



The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **bold**.
- we explain what these hard words mean.



The Easy Read plan is a summary of another document.

You can find the other document on our website at www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au



You can get someone to help you

- read this plan
- understand this plan
- find more information at City of Mount Gambier



This plan is Council's **Disability Access and Inclusion Plan**.

The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan is what Council will use to make Mount Gambier the best place it can be for people with disabilities.



We call it The Plan



The Plan talks about our goals for the next 4 years.

Why does Council have the plan?



Council has the plan

- To make life better for people with disability

The **law** says that we must have a plan.

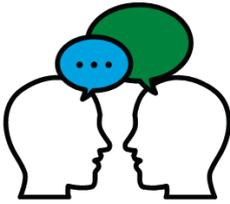


The law is a set of rules everyone must follow in Australia.

What is the plan about?



The plan will:



- Help people with disabilities talk to Council
- Help Council understand the lives of people with disabilities in Mount Gambier.



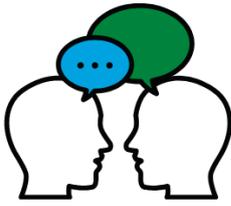
- Teach others how people with disabilities can join in
- Help to make Mount Gambier have better **access** and **inclusion**.

Access means places are easy to use and go to.



Inclusion means you feel like you are valued and belong.

Talking to the community about our Plan



It is important that we talk to our community about any plans we make.



We talked with the community about our draft Plan in September and October 2020.



The people we talk with are:

- people with disability
- family members
- carers
- people who work with people with disability

What do the community want in the Plan?



People with disability want to:

- be treated with respect and dignity



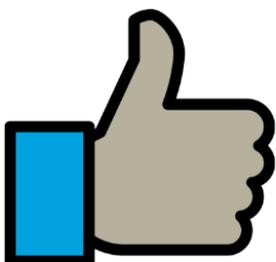
- live in a place that feels safe



- find and use the services they need



- learn and work in our community



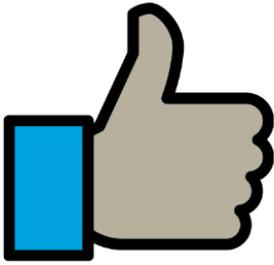
- know what their rights are

Our focus areas and actions

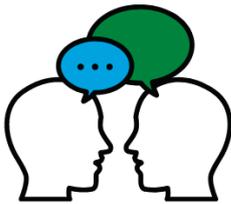


Our **focus areas** are the 4 areas we need to look at in in the Plan.

Our focus areas are:



- Make our community inclusive



- Give people a say when we make decisions

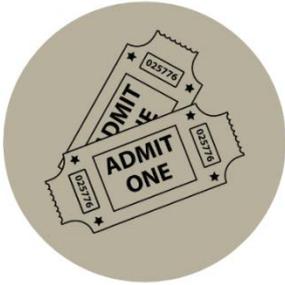


- Make more places easy to access



- Help people get an education, work and make money.

What we want to do



We want to help make events in Mount Gambier easy to access



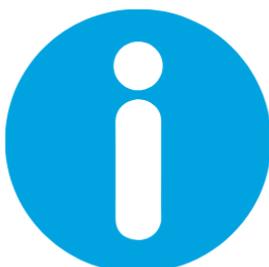
Teach the people who work at the City of Mount Gambier about living with disability and access issues



Engage people to help the City of Mount Gambier make informed decisions



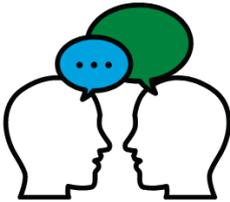
Improve the access and use of Council buildings and footpaths



Make our information easy to read and use



Help people with disabilities work with or for the City of Mount Gambier



Ask different people what they think



Make it easy to find out what is important

What happens next?



Our community is learning about what life is like for people with disability

We still have a lot to learn

We need to work together



Doing what we want to do will take time



We will look at how well the Plan is going every 4 years

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