



Disability Inclusion Action Plan

2022

Eurobodalla Shire Council



Easy English

Hard words



This book has some hard words.

The first time we write a hard word

- the word is in **blue**
- we write what the hard word means.

You can get help with this book



You can get someone to help you

- read this book
- know what this book is about



- find more information.

We will write contact information at the end of this book.

What we want to say



This book is from
Eurobodalla Shire Council.



Eurobodalla Shire Council wants to
acknowledge the **First Australians**.



The First Australians are the Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Acknowledge means we understand and see that
our community is built on First Australians' land.



We respect the First Australians'

- culture



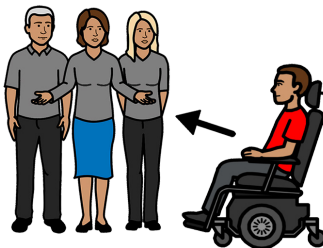
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About this book

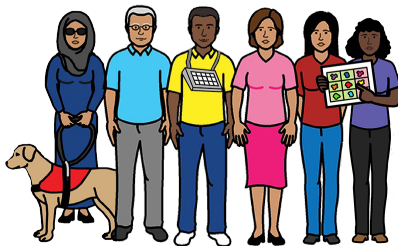


This book is about our **Disability Inclusion Action Plan**.

We call it **the plan**.

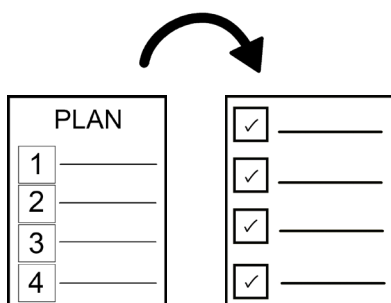


The plan says how we will make Eurobodalla Shire more **inclusive**.



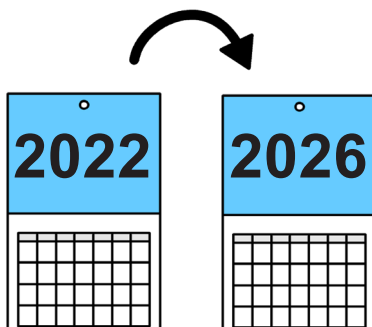
Inclusive means everyone can join in and feel like they belong.

For example, people with disability.



The plan says

- what we have done already

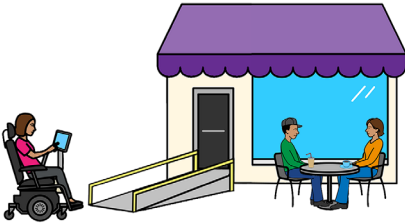


- what more we will do from today until 2026.

The plan has 4 goals



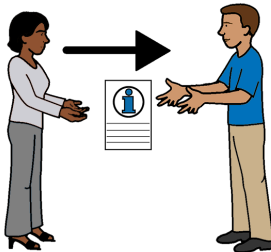
1. We will teach our community to make people with disability feel welcome.



2. We want to make it easier for people with disability to move around.



3. We want to make it easier for people with disability to find work.

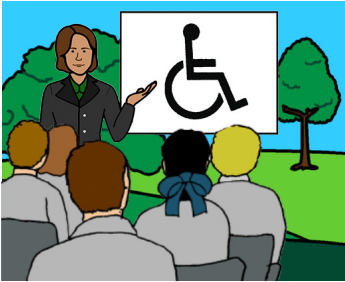


4. We want to make information and services easier.

What we have done already



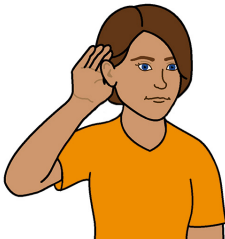
We are already doing many good things to make our community more inclusive.



For example, we run events in the Botanic Gardens to teach people about disability.



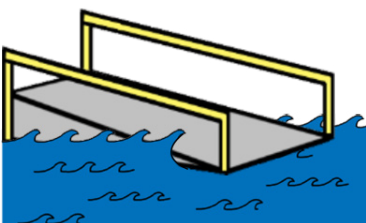
We have set up **hearing loops** in the library and the community halls.



A hearing loop is a system that helps people hear better in public places.



We help young people with disability get work experience.



We made our new Bay Pavilions easy to use for everyone.

For example, a ramp goes into the swimming pool.

We listened to the community

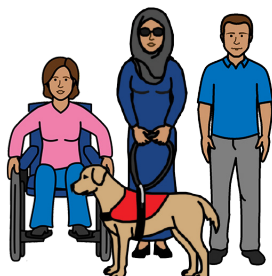


We asked our community what more we can do for people with disability.



We listened to

- elderly people



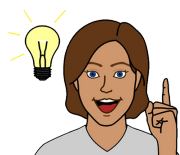
- people living with disability



- families and carers



- disability services and businesses.

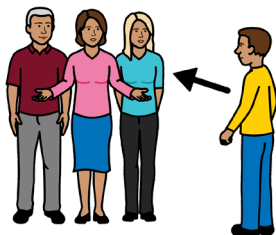


All these people gave us many new ideas.



We used the ideas to make the plan.

1. We will teach our community about disability



We want everyone to know how to make people with disability feel welcome.



We will often speak with people with disability and their carers to learn what they need.



We will train our staff to understand people with disability better.



We will teach businesses how to give better service to people with disability.

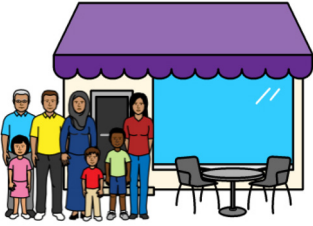


We want our website to show what places and activities in our community are inclusive.



We want to tell more good news stories about people with disability.

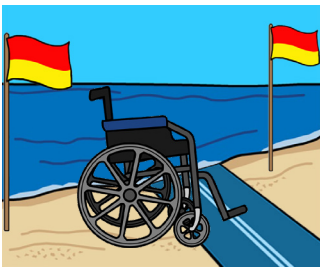
2. We want to make it easier to move around



We want people with disability to enjoy life in our community like everyone else.



We will make it easier for people with disability to enjoy the ocean.



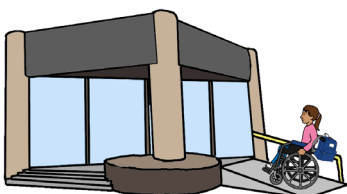
We will have beach wheelchairs at most **patrolled beaches** in Eurobodalla Shire.

Patrolled beaches have lifeguards.



There will be **mobility mats** on those beaches.

Mobility mats make it easy to use wheelchairs on the sand.



We will also fix buildings to make them easier to use for people with disability.

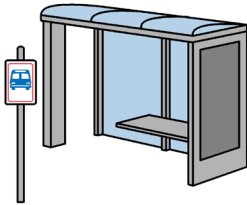


We will check that all people have the same good experience when they use

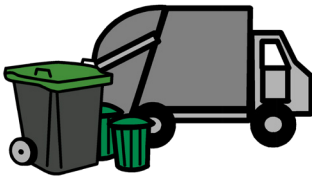
- our parks



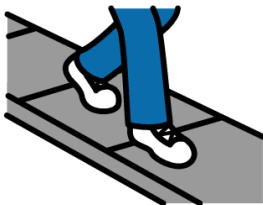
- our libraries



- our bus stops



- our waste services



- our footpaths.



We will have more community events where everyone can join in.

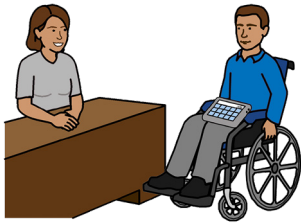


We will also help some people with kidney disease with their care at home.

3. We want to help people with disability find work

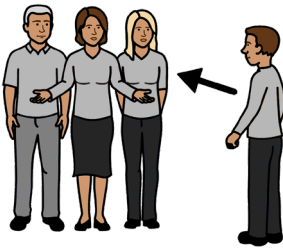


We want more workplaces to hire people with disability if they can.



We will

- check what we can do better when we hire new staff



- make a plan to get more people with disability to work at Council.



We will also look for partners who can help us train people with disability to

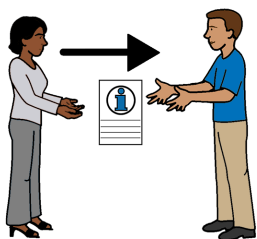
- get work ready

and



- do well in their job or business.

4. We want to make information and services easier



We want people with disability to have access to information that is easy to understand.



We will check our website to see if it is helpful for people with disability.



When we make written information we will use

- language that is easy to understand



- colours that are easy to see for people who have low vision.



We made this plan in Easy English to help people read and understand our plan.



We also want to make sure that people with disability get good services.

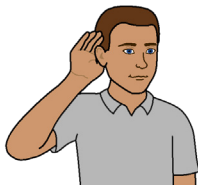


We will check what we need to fix to have good **NDIS** services in our community.



The NDIS helps some people with disability get

- supports
- services they need.



We will listen to disability experts in our community to understand what we can do better.



We also want to join the **Australian Network on Disability**.



The Australian Network on Disability is a group that can teach us more about disability.

More information



For more information contact the
Eurobodalla Shire Council.

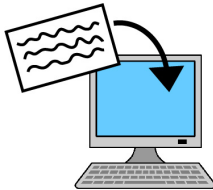


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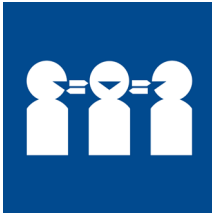
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