

Disability Action Plan

2018 to 2021 Latrobe City Council



Easy English

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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.

About this book

This book is about the Latrobe City Council Disability Action Plan.



The plan goes from 2018 to 2021.

There are 5 areas in the plan.

The plan says how we will make Latrobe City an **inclusive** community.



Inclusive means everyone feels like part of that place.





We want to help people with disability have a good life.

The plan will improve attitudes and behaviours toward disability.

We will listen to people in the community about access and inclusion in Latrobe City.



To make the plan we got help from

• people with disability



• service providers



• carers.

We used the **Disability Act** to make the plan.



The Disability Act is a government law that says we must

- make communities inclusive for people with disability
- help people with disability find jobs and do jobs well



- improve community attitudes and behaviours toward disability
- help people with disability use
 - goods
 - services
 - facilities.



Facilities are things like buildings, shops and carparks.

The plan

1 Community connectedness



To make Latrobe City an inclusive community we will

 update communication tools in council services.

International Day for People

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with Disability

promote and celebrate

- Social Inclusion Week.
- make sure the council have accessible
 - websites
 - meetings



- events
- buildings.

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2 Active living



To help people in Latrobe City enjoy active lives we will improve access to

• buildings



• carparks

• transport

- community events.



We will help more people with disability be part of community programs. For example

• art groups



- cultural activities
- sport and leisure.

3 Home and community safety



We want people in Latrobe City to feel safe in their

- home
- work



- school
- community.

To make Latrobe City a safe community we will

- have safe and accessible carparks and footpaths
- tell community groups about access issues



• review accessibility of council events and leisure centres.

Review means we see if we can make something better.

4 Healthy living



We want people in Latrobe City to know

- how to be healthy
- where to get help if they need it.



We will work with different community groups to help people feel included and connected.

We will tell people with disability about useful

• services



- events
- supports.



We will teach staff about disability at

- leisure centres
- council services
- information services.

5 Lifelong learning and opportunities



To help people with disability be part of their community we will

- look for ways to employ more people with disability in council
- make sure employees with disability get the right supports



- give employees with disability opportunities to learn new skills
- give a welcome pack to new people in the community about useful places and services
- teach local organisations to have accessible events



 give people with disability information about aged care and the NDIS.

The NDIS is a service that helps people under 65 get care and supports.



More information

For more information contact Latrobe City Council.



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