



CITY OF HOBART

**EQUAL ACCESS COMMITMENT
2021–23**



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About this commitment



This is the Equal Access Commitment of the City of Hobart.



Equal Access Commitment means the City of Hobart wants to build communities where everyone can join in and take part.

We will say **commitment** for short.



The City of Hobart wants to build communities that are strong and healthy.



We want to build communities where everyone is included.



We want services and programs that everyone can use and join.

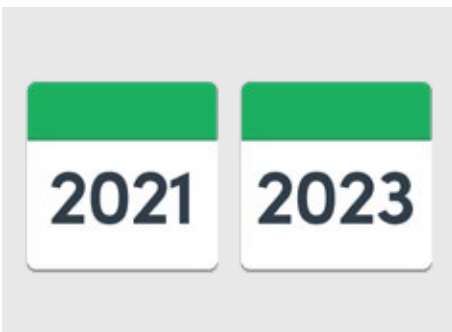


We want places and buildings that everyone can get to.



This commitment talks about

- How we work together with others
- What the most important things are to work on
- The action plan



This commitment goes from 2021 to 2023.

How we made this commitment



We wrote the first commitment in 1998.



Every 2 years we look into how things are going.



We talk to different groups to find out what they think about the commitment.

The groups are made up of



- People with disability



- Council staff



- Community organisations



- Advocacy groups



- Businesses

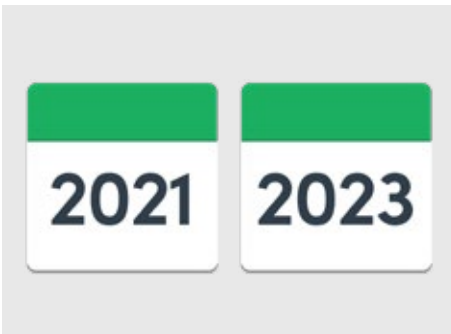


The groups meet often to talk about how Hobart can be better for everyone.

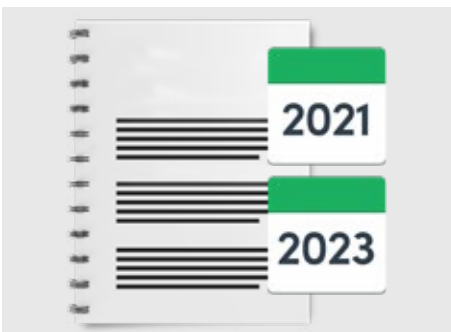


Some groups meet every month.

Some groups meet every 3 months.

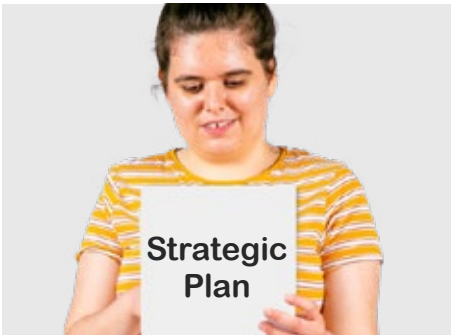


After talking to the groups we make changes to the old commitment.

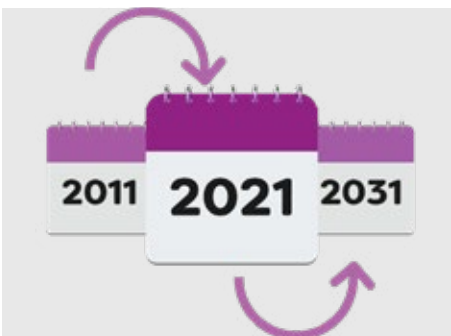


The new commitment says what we need to work on for the next 2 years.

4 priority areas



The commitment follows our strategic plan.



The **strategic plan** says what the City of Hobart wants to do in the next 10 years.



Our strategic plan has 4 areas that are most important.

We call them **priority areas**.



The priority areas are

1. Hobart is a place that respects Aboriginal people in Tasmania.



2. Hobart is a place where everyone is included and where difference is celebrated.



3. Hobart communities are healthy and want to learn new things.



4. Hobart communities are safe and support each other.

What we need to work on most



From the groups we found out that there are things we need to work on the most.

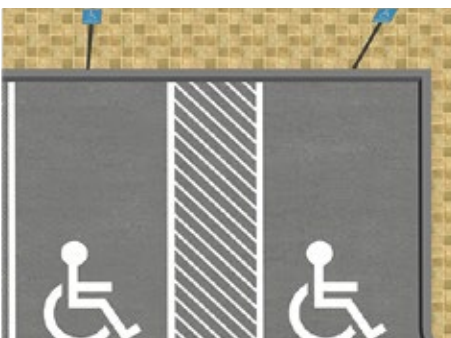
Important things to work on



Everyone must be able to do the same things in the community.



Everyone must be able to get into buildings and to places in the community.



There needs to be more accessible parking.



Everyone must be able to use public transport like buses and taxis.



There needs to be more information in a way everyone can understand like Easy Read.

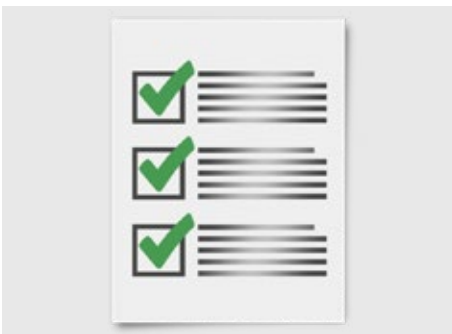


People in the community need to know more about disabilities.

Action plan



We came up with an action plan to work on the most important things.



An **action plan** is a list of things we need to do.



There are things on the action plan from the old commitment.



This is because they are still important.

Old things on the action plan



We want to make sure that all events from the City of Hobart are accessible.



We meet often with the Hobart Access Advisory Committee to talk about important issues.

The Hobart Access Advisory Committee is 1 of the groups that help us with the commitment.

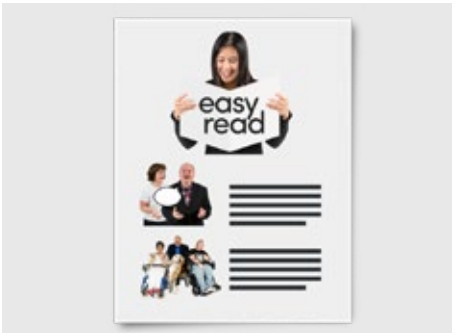


We support sports programs for people with disability in Hobart.



We make sure there is money for new parks and for making it easy to get to parks.

New things on the action plan



We will make sure information from the City of Hobart is accessible like Easy Read or in Plain English.



We will make it easier to find information on the City of Hobart website.



We will let people know what is going on in Hobart and how they can be part of it.



We will make a checklist so events can be more accessible.



We will make a checklist for businesses about how to be more accessible.



We will have a community meeting.

In this meeting we will

- Tell people about disability
- Talk about how people with disability can be part of the community more.



We want to get more people to join the All Ability Access program at our youth centre.



We want people to understand better what the issues are for people with disability, their families and carers.



We want art galleries and Creative Hobart to support the annual art show Ability to Create more.

Contact



You can contact City of Hobart if you want to know more about this commitment.



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