



## Disability Access Audit for Churches

Please note that this document gives general guidance regarding physical accessibility and is intended to help you consider disabled access in church buildings.

When completing the audit, we recommended that it is carried out by a core group of people dedicated to this work, rather than leaving it to one individual, and in consultation with others in the church, particularly those with disabilities.

1	<b>PURPOSE – WHAT DO YOU WANT TO ACHIEVE FROM THE AUDIT?</b>
2	<b>WHO USES THE CHURCH, AND WHAT IS IT USED FOR?</b>
3	<b>ARE THERE ANY CURRENT ISSUES, CONCERNS OR PROJECTS HAPPENING?</b>
4	<b>HOW EASY IS IT TO FIND YOUR CHURCH? IS IT VISIBLE FROM THE MAIN ROAD?</b>
5	<b>WHAT IS PARKING LIKE, AND HOW DO YOU GET FROM THE CAR PARK TO THE FRONT DOOR?</b>
6	<b>IS THE MAIN PATH LIT, ON A SLOPE, HAVE STEPS, OR HAVE AN EVEN SURFACE?</b>
7	<b>CAN THE MAIN DOOR BE SEEN CLEARLY, AND ARE THERE STEPS/SLOPES/HANDRAILS? ARE WELCOMERS PRESENT AT EVERY SERVICE/EVENT?</b>

8	<b>WHAT LIGHTING DOES THE BUILDING HAVE, EXTERNALLY AND INTERNALLY, AND IS IT IN GOOD WORKING ORDER?</b>
9	<b>DO YOU HAVE FIXED OR MOVEABLE SEATING, AND CAN WHEELCHAIRS BE ACCOMODATED?</b>
10	<b>WHAT ARE THE SURFACES OF THE FLOOR LIKE, AND ARE THERE ANY RAISED AREAS A WHEELCHAIR USER COULDN'T ACCESS?</b>
11	<b>WHERE ARE THE TOILETS LOCATED, AND ARE THEY EASILY ACCESSABLE? DO YOU HAVE A DISABLED TOILET OR BABY CHANGING FACILITES?</b>
12	<b>WHERE IS THE KITCHEN LOCATED, AND IS IT EASILY ACCESSABLE? HOW ARE PEOPLE SERVED REFRESHMENTS?</b>
13	<b>DOES THE BUILDING HAVE A FUNCTIONAL HEARING LOOP (T-LOOP) AND DOES IT COVER THE WHOLE SPACE?</b>
14	<b>WITH ANY PRINTED OR SCREEN-BASED MATERIALS, DO YOU HAVE LARGE PRINT VERSIONS AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE WITH SIGHT LOSS?</b>
15	<b>HAVE YOU COMPLETED A SIMILAR AUDIT ON OTHER CHURCH BUILDINGS?</b>