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The 'A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People Action Plan' is a plan to make life better for disabled people in Scotland.

This report says what work was done after the 'A Fairer Scotland for Disabled People' report came out in 2016.



It has 5 aims.

An aim is something we want to happen.



Disabled people and organisations have worked with us to decide the aims.



Aim 1

Disabled people have the right support to live their lives.



Self-directed support means people can make decisions about what kind of support they want.



We are trying to help people when they become disabled to live independently with support when they need it.



We are supporting young people to find jobs when they leave school.



We have a plan to support people with learning disabilities to be included in everyday life.



We want housing, education, and access to healthcare to be better.



We want more people with learning disabilities to have jobs.



We are making mental health treatment better.

We are looking at how to make a law about mental health better.

We want to have more mental health workers.



We have free personal care for people under 65.



We have a new plan for autism.

This will make it easier to find out when someone has autism and support them better.



Aim 2

Disabled people have the right benefits.

They have support to work and stay in work.



Not as many disabled people have a job as non-disabled people.

We have a plan to help more disabled people get a job.



We have better support for disabled people who are looking for work.

We support disabled people to stay in work.

We want more disabled young people to have jobs.



Scotland has a new organisation that will deal with benefits called Social Security Scotland.

It will work in a way that gives people dignity and respect.

The Scottish Government will be in charge of some disability benefits.



We have asked a lot of people on benefits how to make sure benefits support people well.



Aim 3

Places are accessible to everyone.



Housing, transport and culture should all be accessible to disabled people.

Culture includes things like cinema, theatre, music and groups.



We are supporting local councils to build accessible housing.

We are changing the rules to make it easier for disabled people to make their homes accessible.



sportscotland is using more money to support disabled people to take part in sport.



There is a new accessible sports training centre in Inverclyde.

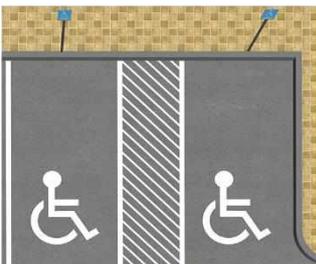


We are making transport more accessible.

This means making it easier for disabled people to get on trains, taxis and planes.



We want people to report abuse or hate crime on public transport.



We are making better parking rules so it is easier for disabled people to get around.



VisitScotland wants to make it easier to visit places.

They have made a guide to make events more accessible to disabled people.



Aim 4

Disabled people get fair treatment and have access to their rights.



We are telling more people about hate crime and how to report it.

We are making it easier for disabled people to get help from the police.



Aim 5

Disabled people can take part in life in Scotland, and don't experience discrimination.



We have money to support disabled people who want to be elected as a Member of the Scottish Parliament (MSP) in 2021.



We have developed a national plan to help people who are lonely and on their own.



We have a national plan for British Sign Language to support people using British Sign Language.

We hope more people will learn British Sign Language.

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