



Our disability plan.

Bathurst Regional Council.

2022 to 2027.



We thank the Aboriginal people in Bathurst.

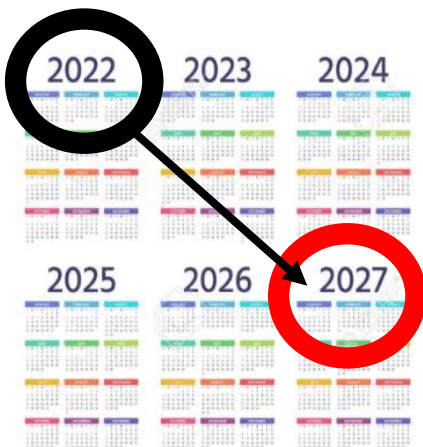


We have a new disability plan.

We call it the DIAP. Its long name is the Disability Inclusion Action Plan.

The plan helps to make our community

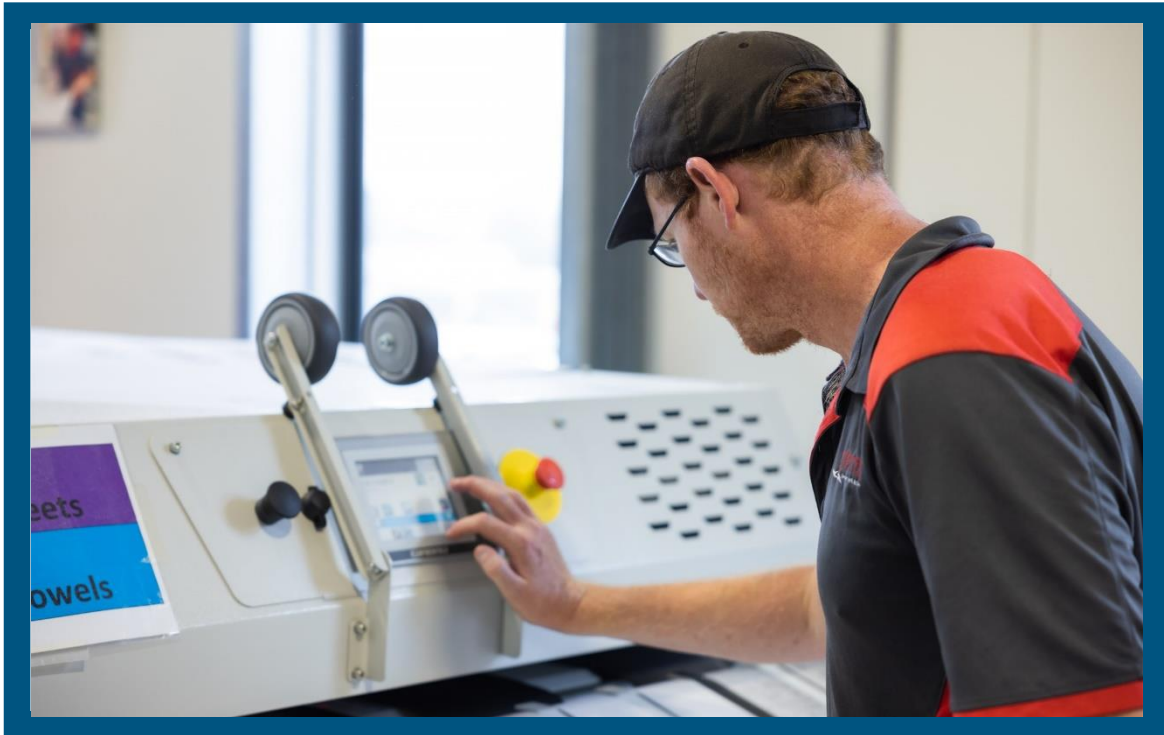
- safe to use
- easy to use.



Our new plan is for 5 years.

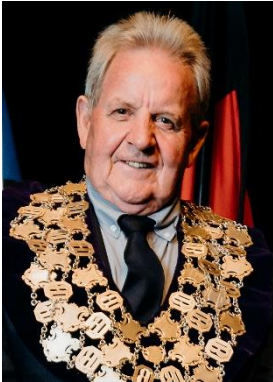
It starts in 2022.

It ends in 2027.





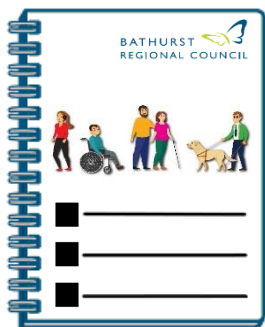
I am David Sherley.
I am the General Manager of
Bathurst Regional Council.



I am Robert Taylor. I am the Mayor of
Bathurst Regional Council.



Council talked to lots of people.



They all helped to make the new disability plan.



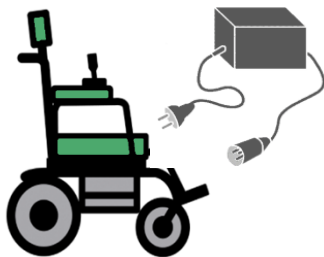
Council made lots of changes.

It was part of our last plan. It was 2017 to 2022.

These are some of the things we did.

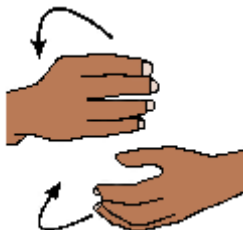


The Winter Festival. People with disability had jobs at the Winter Festival.



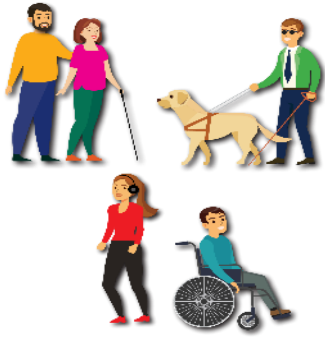
You can charge your electric wheel chair when you are out. Like

- outside the library
- at the Visitor Information Centre.



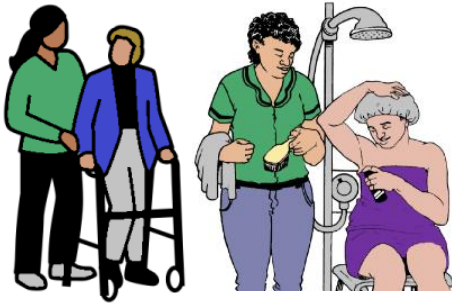
We use sign language in story time.

It is at Bathurst Library.



People with disability in Bathurst

Lots of people have a disability.



Lots of people need help each day.

It is for **all** the things they do.



You help a person with a disability.

We call you a carer.



1 in 10 people are carers.



You are more than 65 years old.

1 in 2 older people have a disability.



3 in 5 people with disability stopped study at the end of school. You want to learn more.



4 in 5 people with a disability have a job.



2 in 5 people with a disability need more money.

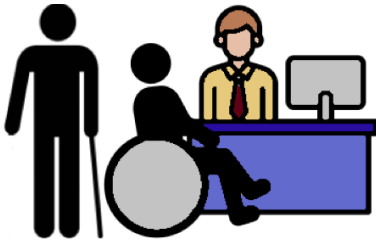


We talked to lots of people



Council asked questions. It was about how you use the community. We asked

- you
- people who help you.

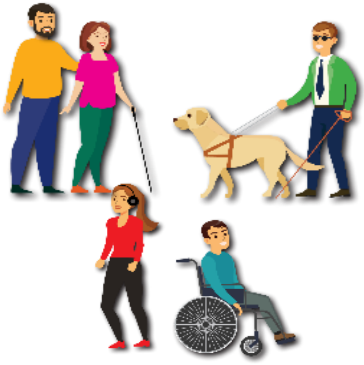


We talked to the services you work with.



Council staff had meetings. They talked about

- the plans
- ideas for change.



Read about some people with disability



I am Charlotte. I like

- drama
- dance.



I am training my dog. Some times I worry.

My dog helps me feel OK.



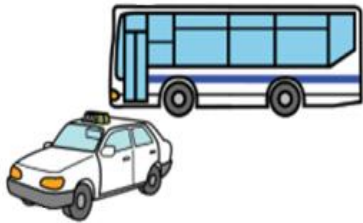
I am just a normal kid.

I want to be seen the same as other kids.



I am Lara. I like to eat out with

- my family
- my friends.



People with a disability can find it hard to

- go places

and



- get a job.



We need to feel part of the Bathurst area.

Like at the ice skating rink.

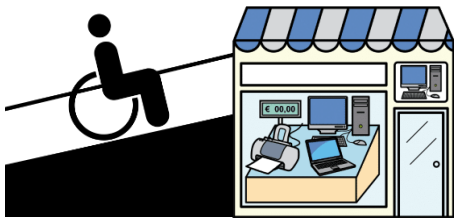
It was at the Winter Festival.



I am Bob. I like Bathurst. I use my wheel chair

- in town
- in bush areas.

There are great parks in Bathurst.



The best community has

- buildings each person can use
- events we can all join in
- shops we can all use.



I call to check I can get my wheel chair in.

I do **not** like that I need to do that.



I am Isaac. I like

- flying lessons
- to drive my car
- gardening.



I work at Café on Corporation. I love

- to help people
- to make food.



People with disability are all different. We have

- lots of different skills

and



- different things we like to do.



I am Reggie. I love

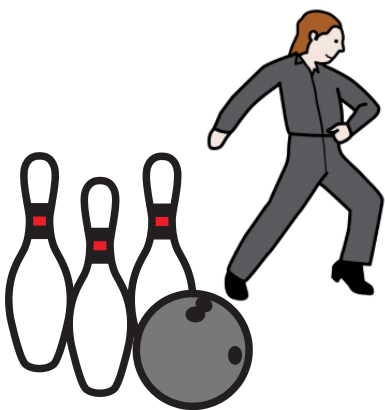
- to play sports
- and**
- to be with my best friend.



I like my work at Glenray laundry.

I like to go in the truck. We drive to

- Orange
- Mudgee.



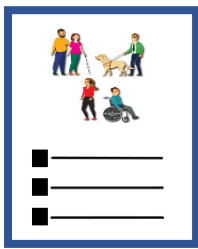
I am good at

- dancing
- bowling.

I make my friends laugh.



Our disability plan

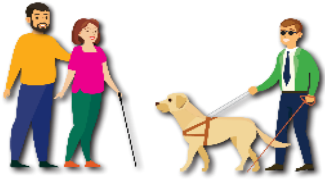


We looked at other Council plans.

Our disability plan must have the same goals.



We have 4 big goals.



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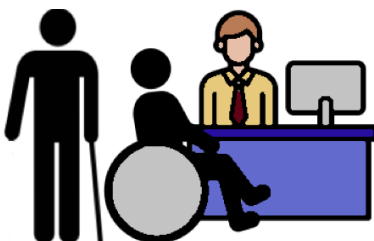


2. People with disability have jobs.



3. Your community is

- easy to use
- safe to use.



4. You have better access to services.



1.The community knows about disability

Council will help people learn about disability.

We will have training for Council staff.



We will tell people about disability.





2. People with disability have jobs



We will think about how people with disability can work for Bathurst Council.



Council will talk to businesses. It is about how to have people with disability in the work place.



3. Your community is

- easy to use
- safe to use



Council will

- make Council places easy to use
- make some quiet spaces you can use
- have more toilets that are
 - clean
 - easy to use.



Council will make it easy to go to events. Like

- we take ramps to each event
- we help you to use the ice rink at the Winter festival.



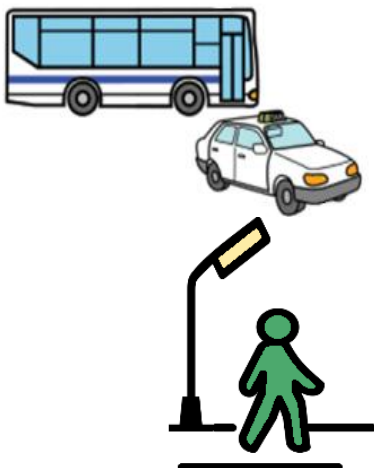
We want to make the Bathurst area
easy to use. Like

- better lights
- safe paths.



We plan to have

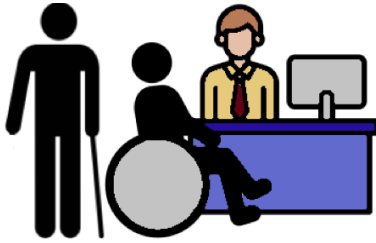
- more disability parking spaces
- easy to use play grounds
- easy ways for you to go places.



There are new homes. It is in a new area.

We want it to be easy to use. There are plans for

- how you can go places
- buildings
- foot paths.



4. You have better access to services



We plan to make council information

- easy to find

and

- easy to use.



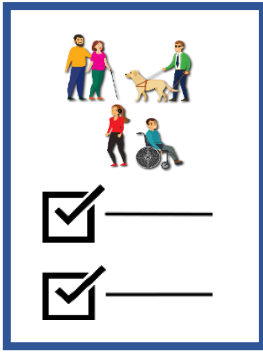
Council will have information for you.

We will tell you about services you can use.



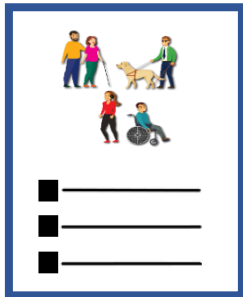
Council will

- listen to people with disability
- tell you about our plan.



Council will check the plan

Council will check the goals each year.



We will write a report each year.

The reports will be on the Council website.



Council will still talk to

- people with disability
- services.

We want to know what you think.



We will make a new plan in 2027.



More information



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