

BLAENAU GWENT ACCESSIBILITY ACTION PLAN 2021/22

Action Area	Actions	Timescale	Action Owner(s)	Update	BRAG Rating/ Status
School Accessibility Audits, School Policy and LA Strategy Review	I. Plan accessibility audit priorities in line with school age, condition and suitability (over a 3-5-year period)	I. September 2021	CG/BE	<p>Work has been completed with Legacy in the Community, to develop an audit brief for education facilities and associated policies, along with the strategy. This will be used in order to plan and resource the required work from September 2021.</p> <p>Work has commenced on the fundamental review of the Accessibility Strategy, which is programmed for completion during spring-term 2022.</p>	
	II. Develop a brief in order to programme and inform a full review of education facilities and accessibility policies, along with the Council's strategy	II. September 2021			
	III. Secure sufficient resources in line with the brief to audit all education facilities and associated policies and strategy	III. Autumn-term 2021			
	IV. Establish an audit action plan	IV. Spring-term 2022			
	V. Undertake a fundamental	V. Autumn through to			

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	review of the Accessibility Strategy with relevant partners	the Spring-term 2022			
Consultation Processes	VI. Stakeholder management, engagement and consultation plan to be developed.	VI. Early spring-term 2022	BE/CG		
	VII. Draft strategy consultation document	VII. Early spring-term 2022	BE/CG		
	VIII. Initiate Consultation (4-6 weeks)	VIII. Spring through to the summer-term 2022			
	IX. Approval and publication	IX. Summer 2022			
	X. Implementation	X. September 2022			
Accessibility Action Plan Review Process	I. Review and monitoring	I. Monthly	BE	Updated August 2021	
Forum and Sub-groups	I. Forum meetings to be scheduled and a standard agenda agreed for the 2021/22 academic session.	I. September 2021 onwards	BE	Forum meetings have been programmed for the 2021/22 academic session, along with a meeting action plan.	

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	<p>Forum to meet bi-monthly and membership to be reviewed at each meeting.</p> <p>II. Strategy Review Sub-group to be established (Comprised of: Education, Health and Safety, Policy, Property Services). Monthly meetings to be established from October 2021</p>	<p>II. September 2021 onwards</p>	<p>BE</p>		
Training	<p>I. Training review to be undertaken</p> <p>II. 2021/22 Programme to be developed in consultation with the Forum</p> <p>III. Governor Information pack</p> <p>IV. Disability Awareness Training for Heads</p>	<p>I. Autumn-term 2021</p> <p>II. Autumn-term 2021</p> <p>III. Annually – (Spring-term 2022)</p> <p>IV. Annually (Spring-term 2022)</p>	<p>Coordinated by BE/CG in partnership with the Forum</p>		

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	V. ALNCo Training	V. Annually (Spring-term 2022)			
	VI. Member awareness and briefing session	VI. Annually (Autumn-term 2022)			
Communication	I. Establish a Communication Plan	I. Autumn-term 2021	LB/BE		
Young People and Young Adults	I. Review of facilities and services for young people (11-25)	I. Annually	BE/CG		
Early Years and Children	I. Review of facilities and services children (0-11)	I. Annually	CS/BE		
Buildings and Facilities	I. Review of all Education Buildings/Facilities	I. Monthly	EJ	Facilities Review / School Action Plans are all up to date as at the end of the summer-term 2021.	
Transport	I. Review of the transport policy and associated processes	I. Annually	CG/PB	Policy review complete August 2021. In addition, a significant number of contracts have	

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	II. Implementation of the policy and associated procedures	II. Ongoing	PB/CG	been reviewed and re-tendered e.g. Pen y Cwm.	
Wider Council Strategy	I. Ensure alignment with the Strategic Equality Plan	I. Ongoing	CG/BE/ES	Ongoing	

Key:

Status	Colour
Not started	
In development	
Ongoing	
Complete	