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Access

[Manchester Disabled People's Access Group](#) is an organisation of disabled people promoting best practice in access design and access standards, and campaigning to improve access to buildings, transport, the environment, information and services. Their website includes lots of useful links and resources.

[Design for Access 2 Manual](#) (Adobe PDF) is Manchester City Council's best practice standards for architects and planners, developed in conjunction with Manchester Disabled People's Access Group.

[Access to Venues Guide](#) is produced by [Full Circle Arts](#). It is a searchable database giving venues in the North West of England a star rating of 1 to 5 for accessibility.

[Ability Net](#) provides information about the use of computer technology for disabled people. The site includes tailored information for employers.

[Centre for Accessible Environments](#) (CAE) is concerned with the practicalities of inclusive design in the built environment. They provide information, design guidance, training and consultancy services.

[National Register of Access Consultants](#) (NRAC) is an independent register of accredited Access Auditors and Access Consultants who meet professional standards and criteria established by a peer review system.

[DisabledGo](#) provides free, detailed access information on shops and services in many parts of the UK. Areas currently covered include Liverpool, Salford and Stockport.

[Direct Enquiries](#) is an online disability access register that gives businesses and service providers throughout the United Kingdom an opportunity to publicise the access and facilities they currently provide. It also provides details about what access and facilities they cannot provide today, but hope to provide in the future.

[Is There an Accessible Loo?](#) (ITAAL) microsite provides key information and publications on accessible toilets. The site is now based within the Centre for Accessible Environment's webpages. ITAAL itself was wound up at the end of 2005.

[Revealweb](#) gives information on how to get hold of a range of resources in Braille, moon, audio and digital talking books and large print. Revealweb has now been incorporated into the RNIB's library catalogue.

[Plain English Campaign](#) is an independent pressure group fighting for public information to be written in plain English.

[Build for All](#) is a reference handbook supported by the European Union which aims to advise the public sector how to ensure that all its buildings will be accessible and usable by all EU citizens.