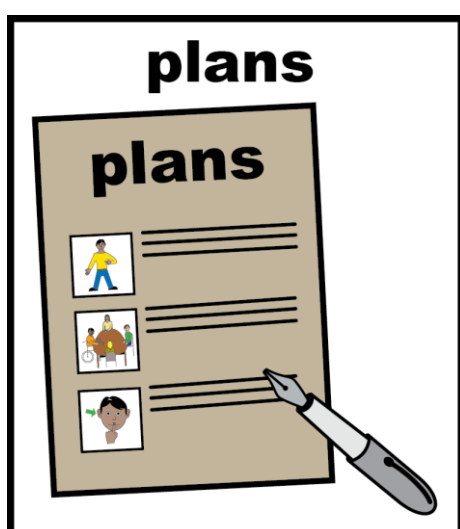


Snowy Monaro Regional Council Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2025 – 2029 Easy Read Summary

Snowy Monaro Regional Council wrote this plan. When you see the word “we”, it means Snowy Monaro Regional Council.



We have a new Disability Inclusion Action Plan. We call it the DIAP.

The DIAP will help make our community more inclusive and more accessible.

The DIAP gives us actions to work towards between 2025 and 2029.



We also wrote this Easy Read version of the DIAP to make it easier for more people to understand. The Easy Read version is a summary of the DIAP. This means it only includes the most important ideas.



We thank the Aboriginal people of the Snowy Monaro region.



My name is Chris Hanna.

I am the Mayor of Snowy Monaro Regional Council.

I am excited about the DIAP.

We want Snowy Monaro to be more inclusive. This means that everyone can take part, and feel like they belong.

We also want Snowy Monaro to be more accessible. This means that everyone can find and use the things that they need, and to travel around the region safely.



A community which is more inclusive and more accessible means that more people can do more things.

This also helps older people, people who use prams, and people who use other languages.

Just over 1,000 people in Snowy Monaro need help with their day to day lives because of a disability. This includes many people aged over 65.



Just over 2,000 people in Snowy Monaro care for someone with a disability without being paid.

We also need to think about people with disability and their carers who visit the region.



Council talked to lots of people to help us make the new disability plan. Many of them are people who have disability.

They told us what's great about living in the Snowy Monaro region and gave us ideas for how it could be even better.

The new DIAP helps us think about four main goals:

- The community understands disability and has good attitudes and behaviours about disability
- Communities are good to live in and easier to get around
- People with disability have jobs
- Everyone can access and understand information and services

Here's how we will work towards these goals:

The community understands disability and has good attitudes and behaviours about disability

- Council will help people learn about disability
- We will have training for Council staff to understand disability better
- We will run events that are accessible and inclusive, and that celebrate people with disability.
- We will help others to run events which are accessible and inclusive, and that celebrate people with disability
- We will speak with people with disability to make sure our services meet their needs.



Communities are good to live in and easier to get around

- Council will keep doing our best to make sure that public spaces such as buildings, playgrounds, toilets, and car parks are accessible.
- We will speak on behalf of our community to try to get more funding for better public spaces and accessible events.
- We will help the community to understand what services are available for people with disability.



People with disability have jobs

- Council will work with local businesses to help them understand why it is good to employ people with disability
- We will think about how people with disability have the opportunity to work, train, or volunteer at Snowy Monaro Regional Council



Everyone can access and understand information and services

- Council will make our information easier to find, and easier to understand.
- We will make sure that our planning for future activities includes people with disability
- We will listen to people with disability so that they can share what they think about our work
- We will spend time each year to make sure we're achieving the goals in this plan. We'll write a report and share it with the community.



You can get in touch with us at any time to get more information about the DIAP or to let us know what you think.



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