

Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School

Accessibility Plan

Date Reviewed: Summer 2025 Reviewed by: Governing Body Next Planned Review: Summer 2029

Safeguarding Statement

At Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School we respect and value all children and are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for all our pupils so they can learn, in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. We believe every pupil should be able to participate in all school activities in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from harm. This is the responsibility of every adult employed by, or invited to deliver services at Hardwick and Cambourne Community Primary School. We recognise our responsibility to safeguard all who access school and promote the welfare of all our pupils by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional abuse, neglect and bullying.

Background Information:

The Equality Act 2010 means that "schools cannot unlawfully discriminate against pupils because of sex, race, disability, religion or belief and sexual orientation". According to the Equality Act 2010 a person has a disability if:

- (a) They have a physical or mental impairment, and
- (b) The impairment has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on their ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities.

The Equality Act 2010 outlaws discrimination by schools and Local Education Authorities against either current or prospective students in their access to education

Under the Equality Act 2010 and the SEN Code of Practice all schools must have an Accessibility Plan. The Equality Act 2010 replaced all existing equality legislation including the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA). The effect of the laws is the same as in the past, meaning that 'Schools cannot lawfully discriminate against pupils because of sex, race, disability, religion or belief and sexual orientation'.

This three-year plan has been drawn in conjunction with pupils, parents, staff and governors of the school and will advise other school planning documents.

Objectives of the Accessibility Plan:

- 1. Increasing the extent to which disabled pupils can participate in the school curriculum, which includes teaching and learning and the wider curriculum of the school, such as participation in after school clubs, leisure and cultural activities or school visits.
- 2. Improving the environment of the school to increase the extent to which disabled pupils can take advantage of education and associated services.
- 3. Improving the delivery to disabled pupils of information, which is provided in writing for pupils who are not disabled.

The Accessibility Plan should be read in conjunction with the school policies, strategies and documents

Objective 1 Increase access to the curriculum for pupls with a physical disability and/or sensory impairments. To include:

- taking reasonable steps to ensure that lessons, trips and school activities are available to all students irrespective of their physical or mental disability.
- ensuring sufficient ICT aids exist to enable physically disabled students to participate fully in school activities.
- ensuring all staff are trained to meet the needs of the pupils currently on roll.
- monitoring attainment of all disabled children and put in place actions to bridge attainment gaps.
- reviewing curriculum content at all key stages to ensure that disability issues are adequately addressed.

Specific Actions	Lead/	Timescale	Resources	Success Criteria	2026 review and next
	Monitor	s			steps

All staff to be trained as appropriate to meet needs	Head /	Review	Training as	Medical needs met, protocols in place and			
of key pupils (see also Training plan), both medical	Heads of	Summer	appropriate	followed			
needs and in on-going differentiation of the	Campus	2026 This	e.g., Moving	Differentiation of curriculum activities			
curriculum.	,	should be	and Handling	evident in planning and lesson observations.			
SEN monitoring to continue to track progress of	SENDCo	continuou	Liaise with	SEN monitoring embedded in Governor			
disabled pupils and the impact of the interventions		S	Occupational	monitoring.			
they may take part in.		throughou	Therapy and	Risk assessments in place for all relevant			
Full risk assessments to be carried out to ensure		t the year	Physiotherapy	activities and needs of disabled pupils			
disabled pupils can take part in extra-curricular	SENDCo		as needed.	clearly identified.			
activities as appropriate.				On-going policy reviews include reference to			
Classroom and other areas are organised so that				needs of disabled pupils as appropriate			
independence and participation of all children is	All staff			Celebrating and sharing understanding			
optimal				through supporting national awareness			
Regular SEND learning walks				events such as Down syndrome day or			
School policy reviews to consider needs of disabled	SENDCo			neurodiversity week			
	SENDCo			All pupils fully included as appropriate to			
pupils				their needs.			
Appropriate activities to be designed to take	All staff						
account of children with disabilities so they are							
included in school performances and events such							
as sports day							
Use of outside agencies to provide reports and	SENDCo						
support where required.							
Promote a culture of awareness, acceptance and	All staff						
advocacy for children and adults with disabilities							
Objective 2 Continue to review the physical environment of the school, and make any improvements if necessary and as resourcing allows.							
Specific Actions including CPD	Lead/	Timescale	Resources	Success Criteria	2026 review and next		
	Monitor	S			steps		
Carry out an access audit every two years to ensure	Head	Audit by	Advice from	Disabled pupils and parents are able to			
school is accessible to all in all areas.		Nov 2026	support	access school site including site entrance			
	SENDCo	to inform	services	and car park.			
		specific					
	Resource	actions	Caretaker time	Disabled parents and children can use the			
	S		for any	school and its facilities successfully.			
	Committe		improvements				
	е		needed.				

	Cost for	
	improvements,	
	if needed,	
	following	
	access audit	