Accessible and Inclusive Church

 AccessAssessAssist

 A resource to help you/your parish or community provide more inclusive services or programmes

Access - the means or opportunity to approach or enter a place, space, information or resource

Assess - evaluate or estimate the nature, ability, or quality of

Assist -help (someone), typically by doing a share of the work

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| **Website** | Easy to find | Easy to read | Choice to listen | Ability to contact |
| www. |  |  |  |  |
| **Signage** | On street | welcoming to All |  car park | facilities |
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| **Street appeal** | Incl from street | All access front | Tikanga Toru | Sensory |
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| **Buildings** | Phys access | seating | lighting | bathrooms |
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| **Written material** | Print | Visually displayed | Recorded | Other e.g app,website |
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| **Other areas i.e** | Positive language |  |  |  |
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You are welcome to fill out on your own or contact me to go through with you.

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We welcome your ideas to help improve inclusion and disability awareness within all the places and spaces of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Pasifika

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How to use your AcessAsessAssist(AAA) sheet

1.Fill in the name of the space you are assessing, with the date of the assessment.

2.How to fill in the table – Here are some examples or ideas to help you assess your spaces

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| **Website** | Easy to find | Easy to read | Choice to listen | Opp. To contact |
| www.What is your website address | Is it linked to the anglicanchurch.orgWebsite? How would we find it? | Are the words clear? Is it very visual?Too busy?Is there a choice for font? | Can we listen, rather than read content? | Are there opportunities to chat with site?Are there many different ways to engage? |

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| **Signage** | On street | welcoming to All |  car park | facilities |
| Written boardNeon boardDigital | On verge /berm of street outside building encouraging people to come  | How many languagesIntl. access sign to notify of accessibility | Clearly marked spaces for mobility users, seniors, families with a baby etc | Picture signs or sensory signs what facilities are available |

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| **Street appeal** | Incl from street | All access front | Tikanga Toru | Sensory |
| Take a photo of your space from the arrival point | If you are an inclusive site – is it on your street sign | Does everybody access the building from the same space | Is your signange welcoming in all Tikanga Toru languages | Have you included tactile signs ? |

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| **Buildings** | Phys access | seating | lighting | bathrooms |
| How many buildings on your site | Are they all accessible to everyone | Do you have seating areas reserved for visually impaired, wheelchair spaces stc | Are light switches accessible to allDoes lighting allow for best results for all- no flickering lights | Do bathroom facilities cater for wheelchair, walker. Puchchair users etc |

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|  | Is the information available in different fonts, languages | Is a screen available?Ipads easy to swipe? | Can we watch at our own pace. later | Can I download an app  |

You could add this in your Health and Safety Plan or your RAMS forms for activites etc, so its not MORE paperwork but a part of what you already do. Not all spaces may apply to you, mark N/A