

The Social Model of Disability

'I'm disabled by the world around me and if the world was more accessible I would be less disabled' (Scarlet, 2014)



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([Inclusionlondon](#), 2015)

Badly Designed Buildings Stairs, no ramps, no lifts

- Gov. Wales state that employers should make physical changes in order to make it more accessible to disabled people by installing ramps for wheelchair users and fitting audio-visual fire alarm for deaf employees.
- letting a disabled person work somewhere else, such as on the ground floor for a wheelchair user.

Few Sign Language Interpreters

- It was not until 2004 that the Assembly Government had officially recognised British Sign Language as a language in it's own right.

Inaccessible Transport, No Parking Spaces

- 50% of railways in Wales have limited access for wheelchair users
- 34% of of railways in Wales are inaccessible to wheelchair users.
- The employment rates for graduates who are wheelchair users are much lower than those who do not use wheelchairs.

Isolated Families

- The welsh Government have stated that there was a 100% increase in demand for mental health services in Wales between 2010 and 2014 and there was insufficient funding to meet this demand.
- According to Gov. Wales 10% of children between the ages of 1 and 15 have a mental health disorder.
- One in ten children between the ages of one and 15 has a mental health disorder
- Young people with learning disabilities have been "marginalized and often hidden from view".** (Children's Commissioner for Wales. 2018)

Discrimination

- 38% of people believe that disabled people are a burden on society. (Gov. Wales, 2018)
- Gov. Wales (2018) documented that 65% of people actively avoid disabled people as they do not know how to behave in their presence.
- In Order to improve on the 'lack of understanding' of the Equality Act 2010 the Welsh Assembly added the 'Respecting Others Policy' and included Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

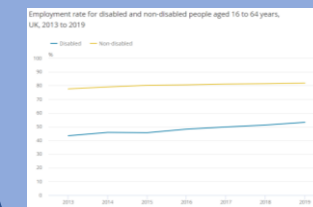


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Special schools

- The percentage of young people who are excluded from school is higher in children with Special Educational Needs (SEN). And will face more difficulties in the transition between school and higher education or employment.
- According to The Office for National Statistics. In Wales, young people who are disabled are at greater risk of becoming Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET) than non disabled people of the same age. according to The Office for National Statistics. Gov. Wales (2018) say that this is four times more likely.
- Disabled adults are twice as likely to have no formal qualifications as non disabled adults – 26% and 12% respectively. (Gov. Wales, 2018)

Poor Job Prospects



According to the Office for National Statistics, Disabled people are 28.6% less likely to be in employment than non-disabled people. (Putz, 2019)

'What makes someone disabled is not their medical condition, but the attitudes and structures of society.' (mentalhealth.org.uk, 2020)

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