

**Hebden Bridge Disability Access Forum**

**Consultation when applying for Planning Permission**

Are you planning to build or alter homes, business premises or public buildings in the Hebden Bridge area?

Would you like to:

* get free advice on how to make your building more accessible for disabled people – with many no-cost or low-cost suggestions?
* greatly increase the market for your homes for rent or sale, or for your business or service?
* demonstrate that you have consulted with the local disabled community before submitting your plans?
* avoid expensive re-drawing of plans?
* reduce the risk of future legal challenges under the Equality Act 2010?

Then contact us at sechbdisabilityaccess@gmail.com

or 01422 844914.

It is best to consult before plans are submitted for planning permission, but we are happy to consult after submission.

Hebden Bridge Disability Access Forum (HBDAF) formed in 2016.

We have over 30 members with vast lived experience as disabled people, and expertise on all sorts of access issues. We are happy to consult with anyone about access issues, and to provide information and advice. Our area is Hebden Bridge, Mytholmroyd, Cragg Vale and the surrounding hill top villages.

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**Planning consultation offer – information**

**Hebden Bridge Disability Access Forum** is a group of disabled volunteers, so we have expertise on disability access issues, not on architecture or planning issues. We cannot draw plans, but we can give our opinions on the access aspects of drawn plans and ideas.

All building plans in Hebden Bridge area are subject to the conditions of the local planning authority, Calderdale Council, and to statutory regulations in place at the time plans are submitted.

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