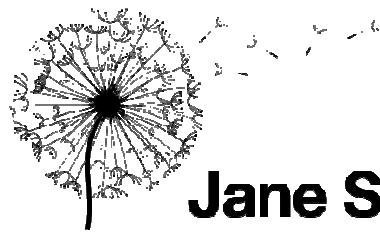


Inclusion the UK Perspective

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Inclusion within the UK has been developing over a number of years with the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 being replaced by the Equality Act in 2010. Accessibility and inclusion for people with disabilities is a firm policy of Government and the aspirations and expectations of the general public. Its achievement is dependent upon the availability of barrier free environments and supportive mechanisms in delivering content and managing resources.

The government, as part of their commitment to a legacy emanating from the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games has undertaken a number of initiatives to improve the training and knowledge of the built environment professionals; including:

- An action plan calling on construction professionals to commit to reward, promote and train their members in inclusion.
- Instigating BEPE, Built Environment Professionals Education, ensuring under graduate training in inclusion.
- The creation of an Inclusion Hub within the Design Council Cabe
- Funding pan-discipline training that will inform the entire construction professionals on the merits and value of inclusive design.

In addition to the work being orchestrated by the Government, other initiatives continue to develop and improve inclusion within the UK:

- Recently the Greater London Authority (GLA) revised and published the *Accessible London: Achieving an Inclusive Environment Supplementary Planning Guidance*.
- The British Standard *BS8300: Design of buildings and their approaches to meet the needs of disabled people* is about to be updated.
- The British Standards Institute is developing an External Environments BS to complement BS8300.
- The RIBA in association with National Register of Access Consultants is developing:
 - An Inclusion Overlay for the Plan of Works
 - A two day advanced inclusion course

Inclusion is celebrated nationally through the Selwyn Goldsmith Award, which is part of the Civic Trust Award programme. This is an annual Universal Design Award; the 2015 winner was the Birmingham Library. Further awards are being developed to encourage and lead by example.

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DCLG Action Plan

- Involves all in construction industry
- Action plan signed up to by professional bodies
- 12 month action reporting
- Rewarding, promoting and training of members
- <http://www.designcouncil.org.uk/sites/default/files/asset/document/Inclusive%20Environments%20Action%20Plan1.pdf>



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The BEPE Project

- 2013 -2018 project an Olympic and Paralympic legacy
- Olympic & Paralympic Legacy Unit (DCMS); Department for Business Innovation & Skills; Office for Disability Issues (DWP) and GLA
- Aim: Buildings, places and spaces are designed, built and managed to include disabled and older people
- By embedding inclusive design education into professional qualifications for architects, landscape architects, planners, highway and transport planners, surveyors, engineers, and facilities managers
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/support-for-the-built-environment-professional-education-project-on-its-first-anniversary>



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Cabe Design Council

- Inclusion hub -
<http://www.designcouncil.org.uk/projects/inclusive-environments>
- Inclusive environments training – promoting inclusive design
- Steering group



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UK Developments

- GLA Accessible London: Achieving an Inclusive Environment Supplementary Planning Guidance
- BS88300 Design of buildings and their approaches to meet the needs of disabled people
- External environments British Standard
- Inclusion overlay for the RIBA Plan of Works
- Developing two day advanced inclusion course



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Selwyn Goldsmith Awards

- Established in 1959
- Celebrates good architecture, design, planning, landscape and public art worldwide
- Over 6500 awards in 55 years
- The Selwyn Goldsmith Awards recognises Universal Design

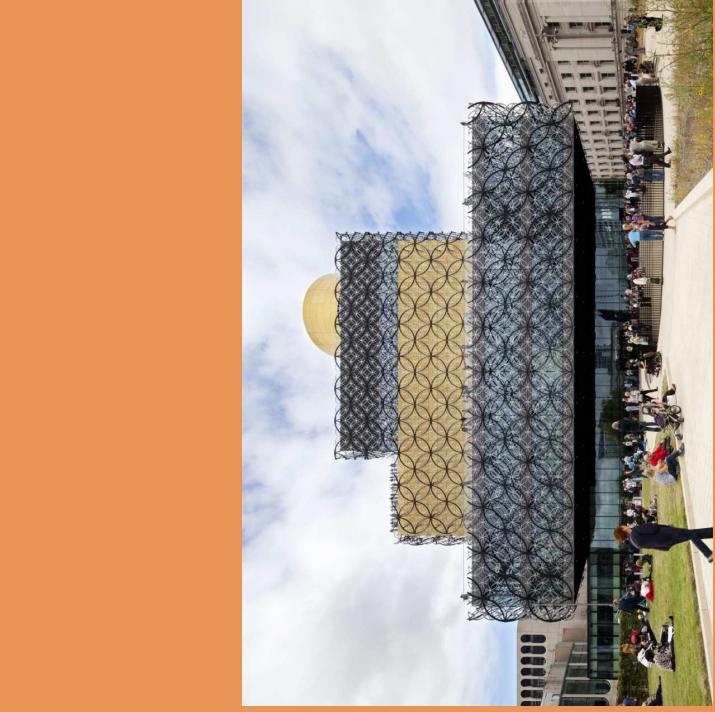


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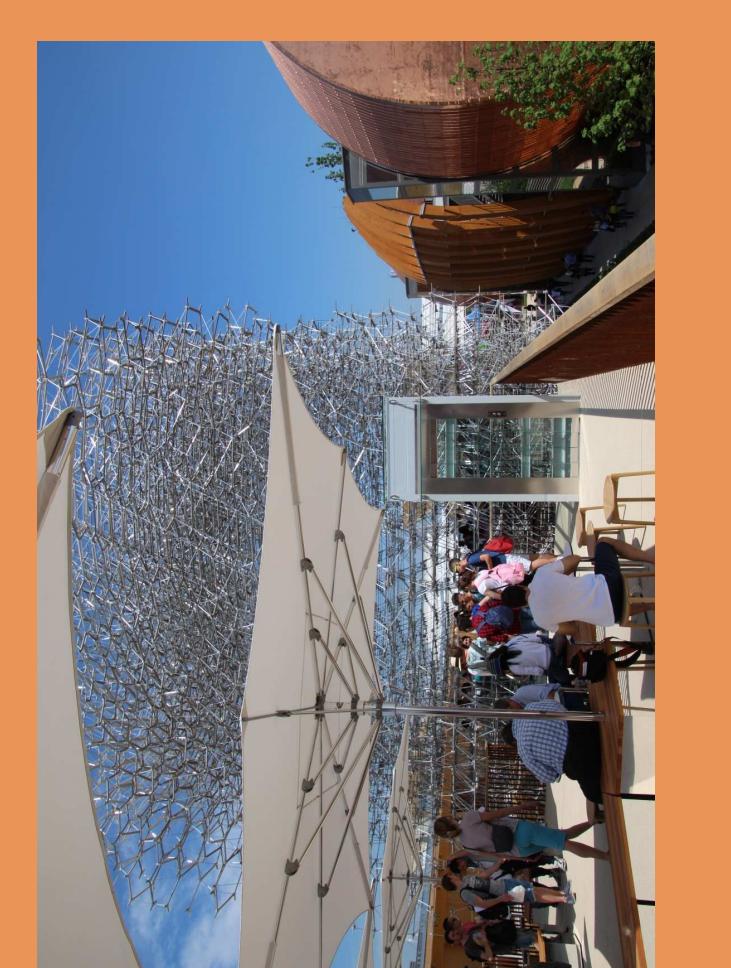


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