Bristol Anarchist Bookfair Accessibility Guide

23/10/26

Key Updates since last version:

- Ground floor accessible toilet alarm at Trinity may be broken. Trinity are trying to fix it and will be providing a portable accessible toilet outdoors whether or not they do.
- Description of Trinity workshop room improved to communicate the tight turns involved in accessing it.
- Disarm Bristol workshop at Exchange at 10.30 will not be live captioned due to lack of available tech and volunteers.

General

- Earplugs will be available at the front desk
- Workshops will have live captioning (Except for the Disarm Bristol at the Exchange at 10.30. This is due to a lack of tech and spare volunteers. Other workshops at Exchange will be captioned)
- Masks will be handed out at the front desk and mask wearing will be encouraged
- For the first hour at Trinity (10.30-11.30)
    - Mask wearing will be required.
    - A one-way system will be encouraged
    - Noise will be kept to a minimum

Getting there

The nearest bus stops to the Trinity Centre are:

- West Street
    - Wheelchair users should avoid West Street as the pavement is bad.
    - If you can only walk short distances West Street may be a good stop for you as it is closest to the venue
    - Routes: 6, 45, 43, 24, 46, 7, 49, 44, 5, 48, 50, 18
- Lamb Street
    - Routes: 45, 7, 5, 41, 24, 44, 18, 42, 49, 6, 46, 43, 48, 50
- Thrissel Street
    - Routes: 24, 49, 46, 48, 50
- Easton Road
    - Routes 7, 42, 44, 6, 5, 41,45, 43,18
- There are 4 wheelchair parking spaces in the Trinity Car Park. Bristol Anarchist Bookfair can cover the costs of parking in these spaces. Please email us in advance (bristolbook[DELETEME]fair@riseup.net) or speak to the welcome desk if needed

Trinity Centre

The Trinity Centre's accessibility details are here:
https://www.trinitybristol.org.uk/accessibility/accessibility

We have added more detail below:

Outside

- The outside of the Trinity Centre has a kind of gravel which is awful for wheelchairs
- The route to the entrance from the hall and the wheelchair parking spaces is less gravelly than other areas and should be easier to traverse
- There is a gated ramp down to a grassy area. The gate cannot be opened by someone coming up the ramp in a wheelchair. We will tie this gate open on the day.
- Trinity are providing a portable accessible toilet outside the venue, because of a fault with the emergency alarm in the ground floor accessible toilet.

Main Entrance

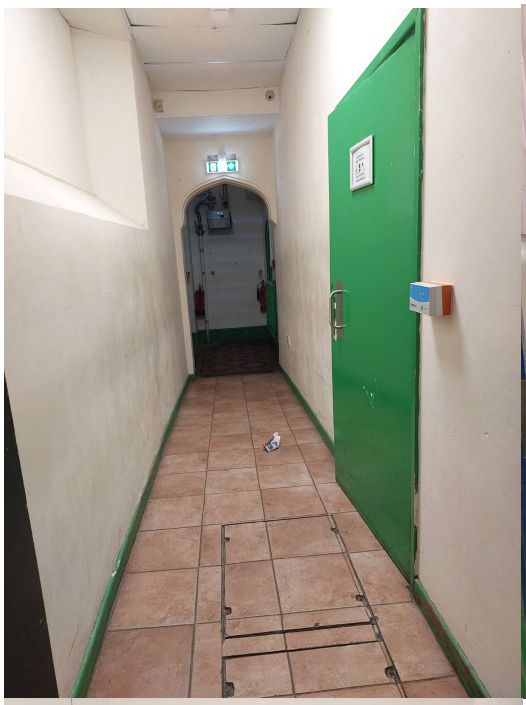
- The stonework at the main doorway is work and can be hard to traverse for wheelchairs. We will put mats down to aid traction
- There is a ramp up to the ground floor hall. (See picture)

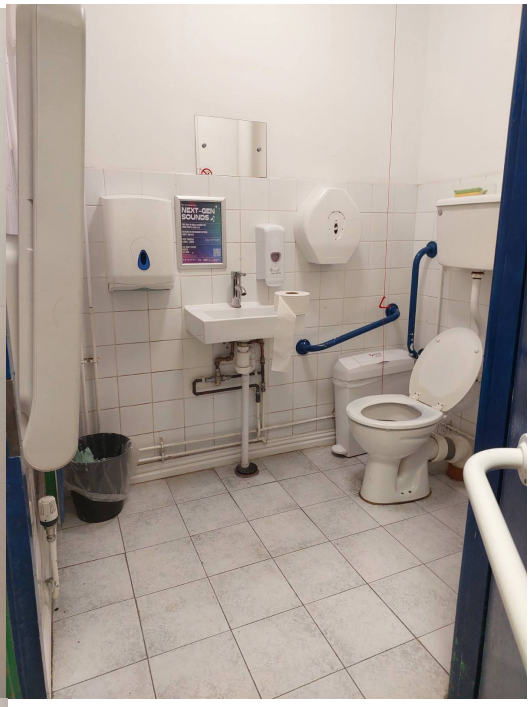


Ground floor hall

- We have planned a 2 Meter gap between stalls
- For the first hour 10.30-11.30 a one way system will be encouraged
- Disability related stalls will be located in the ground floor hall
- Food and drinks are served at a bar which may be too high for wheelchair users. A lower table will be provided to put food and drinks on as well.

Ground floor accessible toilet





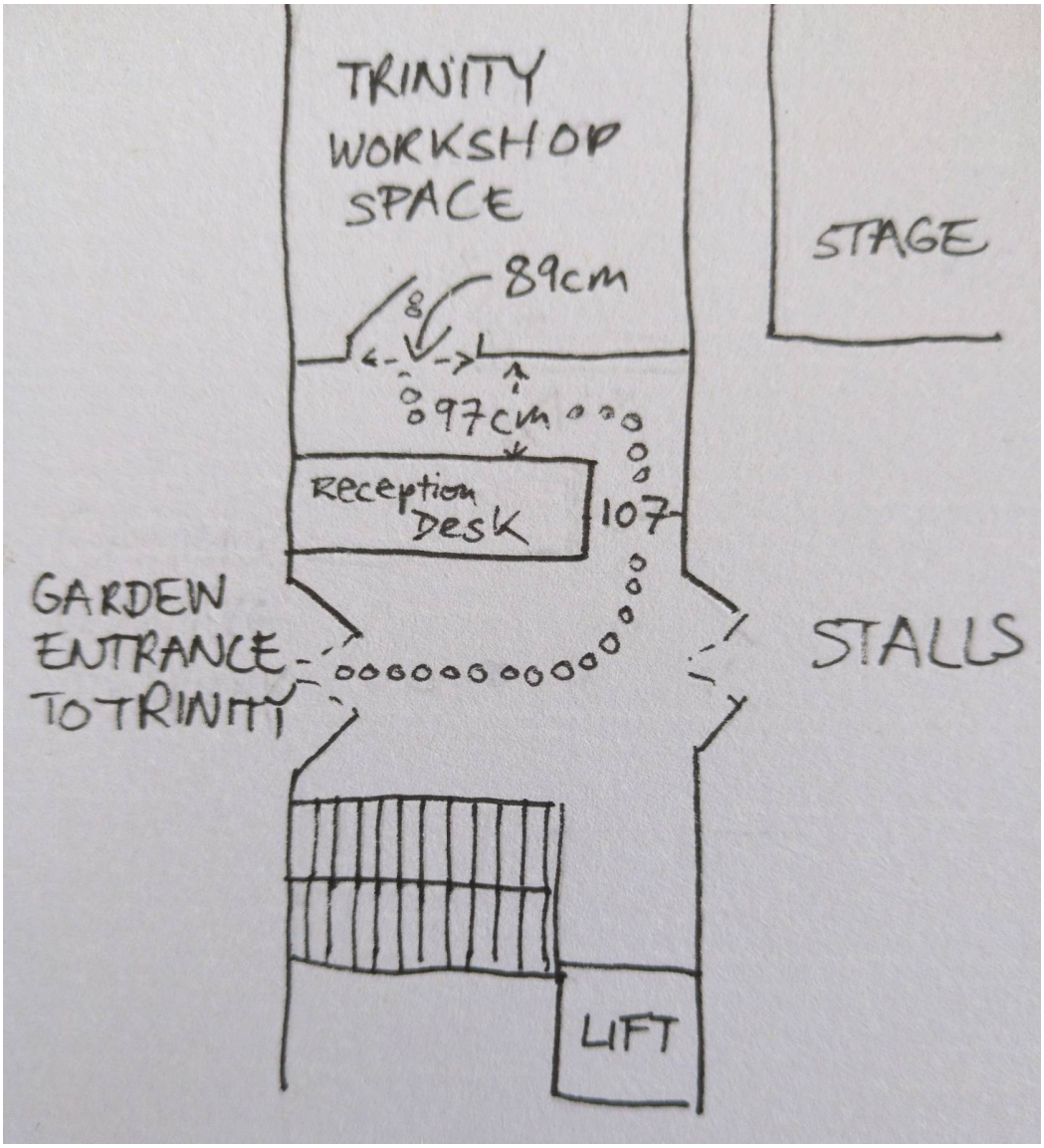


- Trinity have reported that the alarm chord failed their test. They are attempting to get it repaired on 23/10/26 but there is no gaurantee that this will be working on the day. Trinity will provide a portable accessible toilet outdoors as an alternative, whether or not this is fixed.
- Toilet door width: 84cm
- Hallway to toilet is 110cm wide
- Toilet dimensions: 200cm by 140cm
- Right hand transfer

- There is another accessible toilet with more space and the opposite transfer direction on the 1st floor
- Gendered toilets in the building will be relabeled as unisex to reduce demand for accessible toilets
- When we visited, the bin was in the transfer zone, as in the picture above. We have asked Trinity to remedy this and will try to ensure the bins are moved on the day if they have not.

Trinity Workshop space (aka “the Snug”)

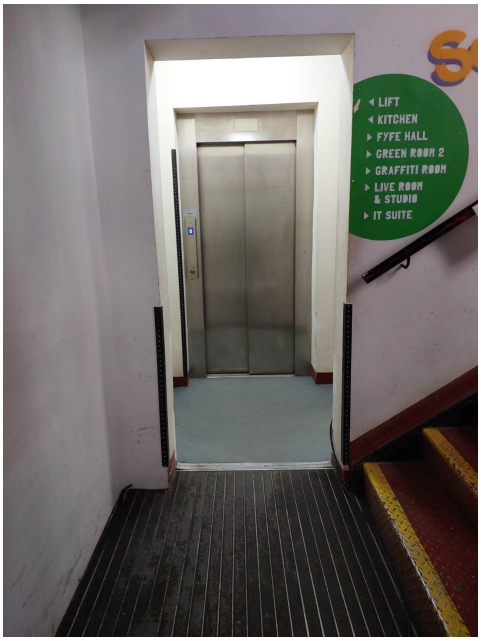
- Workshop venue
- An Air Purifier will be set up in this room
- Access requires two 90° turns in limited space, as shown in this diagram:



The Green Room (Groundfloor, behind the stage)

- Youth Space
- An Air Purifier will be set up in this room

Lift and Stairs



- Lift dimensions and capacity:
    - Lift entrance: 80cm wide
    - 140cm length
    - 630kg max weight
- Lift will ground if fire alarm sounds, An evacuation chair is present and Trinity staff are trained on its use
- On our visit the lift was not flush with the floor until people entered the lift.
- The stairs up to the 1st floor are wide and have good grip and a banister.
- There is a level change into the 1st floor hall that may be a trip hazard. It will be clearly marked

1st floor hall

- We have planned a 2 Meter gap between stalls
- For the first hour 10.30-11.30 a one way system will be encouraged
- Disability related stalls will not be located in the 1st floor hall

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- The space only has a 79cm wide doorway
- This room will be set aside as a breakout space
- An air purifier will be set up in this room

Graffiti Room

- The Graffiti Room will contain the kidspace
- A path will be kept clear to the 1st floor accessible toilet

1st floor accessible toilet



- Door width: 90cm
- Hallway entrance to toilet is 84cm wide
- Toilet Dimensions: 160cm by 220cm
- Left handed transfer
- This toilet is the larger of the two toilets.
- There is another toilet with the opposite transfer direction downstairs.
- Gendered toilets in the building will be relabeled as unisex to reduce demand for accessible toilets
- When we visited, the bin was in the transfer zone. We have asked Trinity to remedy this and will try to ensure the bins are moved on the day if they have not.

Other venues

East Bristol Books



- Small venue
- There will be no projector in this room as the venue is too small. As such we will endeavor to provide live captioning on a laptop screen.
- There is a toilet here, but it is up a narrow set of stairs.

Exchange

- Exchange has their own accessibility guide: https://exchangebristol.com/info/accessibility/
- We are only using the step free accessible ground floor
- We are not using the basement
- We have instructed them to put out the ramp to the venue
- Rear entrance to building may be blocked due to scaffolding.
- The Exchange usually has air filters, but we understand them to currently be broken and do not have enough additional air filters to provide them here.
- We are unable to provide live captioning for the Disarm Bristol workshop at 10.30. This is due to a lack of tech and spare volunteers. Other workshops at Exchange will be captioned.

Quaker Meeting Hall

- Venue claims to be fully wheelchair accessible
- Two accessible toilets
- https://bristolquakers.org.uk/room-hire/room-hire-at-central/

Quaker Meeting Hall - Main Hall



- Double Doors

Quaker Meeting Hall - Small Meeting Room



- Single wheelchair accessible door

Quaker Meeting Hall - Library



- Single wheelchair accessible door
- This room may be too small for a projector. As such if we cannot get a projector to work we will endeavor to provide live captioning on a laptop screen.