

Biscuit Factory

Biscuit Factory is a historic factory, which now comprises event and office spaces. The space used for EAF is the ground floor event space.

Entrance

Drop off is available at Anderson Place, and the main entrance is via a pavement with dropped kerbs nearby. Visitors with a disability are able to enter the building by the same main entrance as other users, but the ramp to get in is quite steep and does not have handrails. Note that there is also a secondary entrance that wheelchair users or other disabled users can use if they are not comfortable with the ramp. Biscuit Factory staff can direct you to this as it is private access.

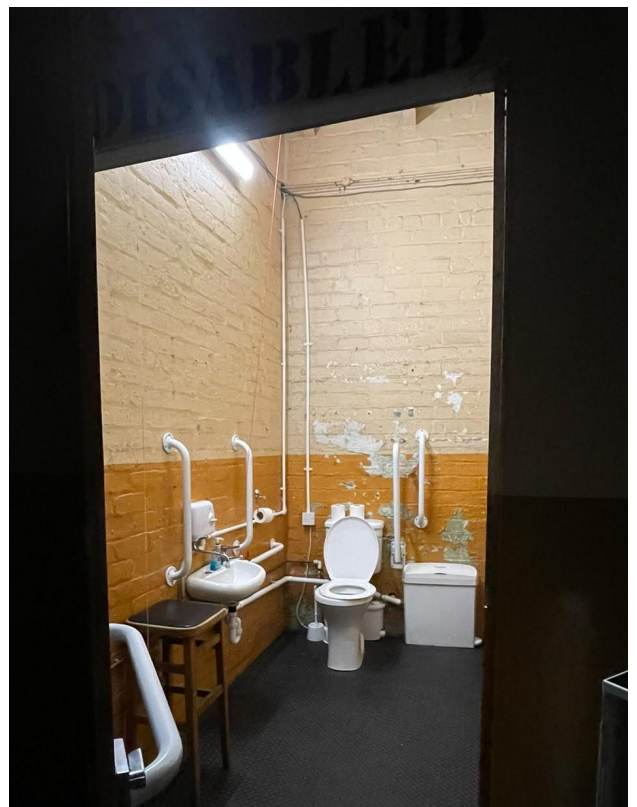
The clear door width of the entrance into the building is 1500mm. The door does not have a hold open device but is left open for the duration of the event. There is no reception, but EAF staff will be at the main door to scan tickets, and at that point can help facilitate any accessibility requirements, and aid with developing PEEPs with disabled visitors.



Accessible Toilet

There is a toilet designed for people with a disability on the ground floor. It does not require a RADAR key, and is separated from the other toilet facilities. Biscuit Factory and EAF staff can advise as to location if required.

There are grab rails at the toilet and sink, and the Emergency cord is hanging approx 500mm off the ground. There is some colour contrast between the floor and walls, and between walls and grabrails / toilet.





Events

There is seating available throughout the space, generally soft furnishings such as sofas which have a back and arm rest but may not be suitable for some users. For the opening performance, there are tall stools and chairs with backs. There are not currently any assisted listening tools in the space (e.g induction loops).

All events will have Sensory/Access Kits available, which contain pairs of sunglasses, ear defenders, communication cards, fidget toys, and a range of pre-packaged masks. There will also be magnifying glasses, dyslexia reading overlays, and large print guides.

Throughout all of the spaces there is colour contrast between the floor and the walls. However, there are columns in the space that do not have great colour contrast to the floor. There is lighting throughout the spaces, including task lighting such as at the bar. Masks are available from the EAF team for any events.

Guide dogs

Guide dogs are welcome in the space, and a water bowl can be provided if required.

Emergency Exit

The fire alarms are currently not strobe alarms, but fire wardens in the building will prioritise communicating to any deaf visitors that there is a fire. Disabled visitors will all have a PEEP prepared for them when they enter, but should make themselves known to the EAF staff so that this can be done.