

Station Planning: Modelling Wheelchair Accessibility

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Introduction





Agenda

- Historical context
- Current guidance
- Compliant versus accessible
- How can we do better?

Historical Context

- Designing for "default"
- Call buttons on buses
- Walking speed measurements from 1960s NYC
- Planning for the peak
- Why does this matter?



Current guidance

Public Transport -Rail Infrastructure

Design for impaired customers

Stations and precincts must be designed following NZS 4121, Design for Access and Mobility – Buildings and Associated Facilities, to provide equitable access for all customers, including users with reduced mobility and other disabilities.



Current guidance

TfL Management	System	
	Standard Category 1	
S1371 A8	Station Planning	

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Total

Lifts should be located to minimise, as far as reasonably practicable, travel distances to the designated wheelchair areas within the trains.

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% Passengers by PRM Category	AM peak Entrance Exit Av (Int)		Inter peak Entrance Exit Av (Int)			PM peak Entrance Exit Av (Int)			Weekend Entrance Exit Av (Int)			Average Entrance Exit Av (Int)				
A - Wheelchair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	
B - Physical mobility Impairment	0.00	0.21	0.16	0.58	0.57	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.00	0.37	0.36	0.00	
C - Medium encumbrance	2.03	1.46	1.94	5.38	3.87	5.16	8.23	5.92	7.89	9.24	6.64	8.86	6.11	4.39	5.86	
D - Large encumbrance	0.77	0.54	0.73	1.59	1.11	1.50	2.09	1.46	1.97	2.37	1.66	2.24	1.68	1.18	1.59	
E - Buggy	0.04	0.04	0.08	0.10	0.12	0.23	0.05	0.06	0.12	0.14	0.17	0.31	0.08	0.10	0.18	
Total	3.05	2.25	2.91	7,65	5.67	7.32	10.67	7.75	10.20	12.13	8.83	11.68	8.24	6.03	7.90	
Total	3.05	2.25	2.91	7.65	5.67	1.32	10.67	1.75	10.20	12.13	0.03	11.66	0.24	6.03	7.90	
INNER SUBURB																
INNER SOBORB		AM peak			nter pe	-1-		PM peak			Weekend			Average		
% Passengers by PRM Category	Entrance		Av (Int)	Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	Entrance	•					Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	
A - Wheelchair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
B - Physical mobility Impairment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.00	0.48	0.00	0.00	
B - Physical mobility impairment C - Medium encumbrance	1.65	2.02	1.94	4.38	5.37	5.16	6.71	8.22	7.89	7.52	9.23	8.86	4.98	6.10	5.86	
D - Large encumbrance	0.62	0.77	0.73	4.38	1.59	1.50	1.68	2.09	1.97	1.91	2.38	2.24	1.36	1.68	1.59	
E - Buggy	0.62	0.09	0.73	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.13	0.13	0.12	0.32	0.32	0.31	0.19	0.19	0.18	
Total	2.64	3.19	2.91	6.66	8.05	7.32	8,90	10.87	10.20	10.25	12.47	11.68	7.00	8.51	7.90	
Total	2.04	3.19	2.91	0.00	8.05	1.32	0.90	10.87	10.20	10.25	12.4/	11.00	1 7.00	0.51	7.90	
OUTER SUBURB																
OUTER SOBORB		AM peak				-1-		PM peak			Weekend			Average		
% Passengers by PRM Category	Entrance		Av (Int)	Entrance	nter pe: Exit		Entrance	Exit		Entrance		Av (Int)	Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	
A - Wheelchair	0.00	0.00	AV (Int)	0.00	0.00	Av (Int) 0.00	0.00	0.00	Av (Int) 0.00	0.00	0.00	AV (Int)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
A - wheelchair B - Physical mobility Impairment	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.32	1.51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
C - Medium encumbrance	1.41	2.46	1.94	3.75	6.54	5.16	5.73	10.00	7.89	6.43	11.22	8.86	4.26	7.42	5.86	
D - Large encumbrance	0.52	0.90	0.73	1.08	1.87	1.50	1.42	2.45	1.97	1.62	2.79	2.24	1.15	1.97	1.59	
E - Buggy	0.52	0.90	0.73	0.42	0.32	0.23	0.22	0.17	0.12	0.57	0.44	0.31	0.33	0.25	0.18	
E - Buggy Total	2.58	4.04	2.91	6.58	10.24	7.32	8.05	13.39	10.20	9.48	15.43	11.68	6.57	10.61	7.90	
Total	2.56	4.04	2.91	6.58	10.24	1.32	8.05	13.39	10.20	9.48	15.43	11.68	0.5/	10.61	7.90	
SHOPPING																
SHOPPING		AM peak			nter pe	-1-		PM peak		Weekend			Average			
* Passengers by PRM Category	Entrance		Av (Int)	Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	Entrance	Exit	Av (Int)	
A - Wheelchair	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
B - Physical mobility Impairment	0.00	0.18	0.16	0.50	0.48	0.43	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00	0.33	0.30	0.00	
C - Medium encumbrance	3.41	1.35	1.94	9.05	3.58	5.16	13.85	5.47	7.89	15.54	6.14	8.86	10.28	4.06	5.86	
D - Large encumbrance	1.22	0.50	0.73	2.53	1.03	1.50	3.32	1.35	1.97	3.77	1.53	2.24	2.67	1.08	1.59	
E - Buggy	0.04	0.09	0.08	0.12	0.25	0.23	0.06	0.13	0.12	0.16	0.34	0.31	0.09	0.20	0.18	
Total	4.87	2.11	2.91	12.22	5.33	7.32	17.49	7.19	10.20	19.81	8.32	11.68	13.37	5.65	7,90	
Total	4.07	2.11	2.31	12.22	5.55	1.52	17.45	1.19	10.20	19.01	0.52	11.00	15.57	5.05	7.30	
TERMINUS																
TERMINOS	AM peak Inter peak				PM peak			Weekend			Average					
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* Passengers by PRM Category A - Wheelchair		0.00	AV (Int) 0.00	0.00	0.00	AV (Int) 0.00	0.00	0.00	AV (Int)	0.00	0.00	AV (Int)	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
	0.24		0.16			0.43			0.22		0.44					
C - Medium encumbrance D - Large encumbrance	2.38	2.40	1.94	6.32	6.38	5.16	9.67	9.76	7.89	10.85		8.86	7.18	7.24	5.86	
D - Large encumbrance E - Buggy	0.91	0.92	0.73	1.88	1.89	1.50	2.47	2.48	1.97	2.81	2.82	2.24	1.99	2.00	1.59	

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B - Physical mobility Impairment	0.35	0.18	0.16	0.96	0.49	0.43	0.49	0.25	0.22	0.62	0.32	0.28	0.61	0.31	0.27
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D - Large encumbrance	0.69	0.54	0.73	1.43	1.11	1.50	1.88	1.46	1.97	2.13	1.66	2.24	1.51	1.18	1.59
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Total	2.98	2.23	2.91	7.53	5.62	7.32	10.07	7.69	10.20	11.51	8.82	11.68	7.90	5.99	7.90

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4 passengers per m2

Wheelchair access onto a train

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How can we do better?

User Journeys

We have developed three characters and their user journeys to show how people will interact with the Future Mobility Hub Framework. These begin to explore the users' specific requirements and how each mobility hub needs to respond to context, scale and opportunity.

Rita's Profile

Rita is a retiree and lives on her own in a small, rural village. She doesn't have a car and relies heavily on the public transport network to get around. She is an anxious traveller and has a mobility impairment which limits her to walking short distances and avoiding stepped routes.



How can we do better?



How can we do better?

Research



Travel in London: Understanding our diverse communities 2019

A summary of existing research

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The barriers to greater public transport use that are most commonly mentioned by disabled Londoners are:

- Overcrowding and cramped conditions (51 per cent compared with 47 per cent non-disabled customers)
- Cost (36 per cent compared with 43 per cent non-disabled customers)
- Passengers pushing and shoving each other (33 per cent compared with 24 per cent non-disabled customers) [13]



How can we do better?

- Let's not stop at compliance
- Drive for innovation and user centric design
- Reconsider what value engineering does to all PT users

