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### Age Friendly Communities Handbook

From Norway comes an Age Friendly Handbook that presents information in easy to consume formats. Norway has been driving a universal design agenda through national and local government since 1999. Norway's key document for this is Norway Universally Designed 2025. This Handbook fits nicely within that framework but with an emphasis on an ageing population. The WHO Age-Friendly Cities guide is ...

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### Disasters and emergencies: Leave no-one behind

'Leave no-one behind' is the tag line for the Sustainable Development Goals. In disaster management this idea takes on a very practical meaning. People with disability are two to four times more likely to die or be injured in a disaster than the general population. So why is our planning and risk reduction failing people with disability? Being able to ...

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### Designing and reorganising transport hubs: A framework

Seamless transitions between walking, cycling and public transport are important for the environment, inclusion and for reducing traffic congestion. That's not a new idea. How to do it is another matter. The MATCH-UP project in Europe developed a method to assess how policies are measuring up and creating design solutions. The method and background to the project are presented in ...

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### [Inclusive online meetings: Preparation is key](#)

There's been a few articles about working remotely and participating in online meetings. But there are a few nuances, little things, that need attention so that meetings are inclusive. An article from the Commons Library says it is not about the technical details. Rather, it's about the culture and processes particularly for mixed face to face and online participation. The article ...

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### [Does the design of parliament buildings affect democracy?](#)

In US politics we hear talk of 'reaching across the aisle'. What if there was no aisle and everyone sat in a circle? It is well documented that spatial design affects mood and communication. Hospitals are designed to promote healing and airports to minimise stress. Research by architects asks if the design of our parliament buildings affects democracy. In a ...

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### [Colours that are accessible](#)

Colour is an important part of designers' creative work. When it comes to colour accessibility the creative path takes a few twists and turns. That's because people who say they are 'colour blind' are not all the same. Most can see some colours, but not all of them. So how can designers choose colours that are accessible, especially in digital ...

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### [Access Consultants' Magazine: Focus on Worplaces](#)

The Association of Consultants in Access Australia (ACAA) latest magazine has a focus on workplaces. Office fit-outs, workstations, emergency evacuation, working from home and the virtual world are all covered. Some content includes reference to Standards and is technical in nature. Mary-Ann Jackson and Saumya Kaushik discuss issues from the perspective of COVID-19 and working from home. Eric Martin gives ...

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## Local Government Universal Design Network

Virginia Richardson is setting up a new universal design interest group for local government staff. This new network will enable like-minded people to share experiences and skills in universal design and inclusive practice. Local government staff and others with an interest in local government are invited to join this new network. If you are interested in joining, Virginia asks that ...

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## From Lizzie's UDL File:

### From Emergency Workers to the Classroom - Transfer of Learning is Imperative

Consider our emergency workers. Each time they are out on a call, the context and situation are new. They must take their skills and learnt strategies and apply them in a situation that potentially they have not experienced before. We can be grateful to the concept of transfer of learning that these emergency crews can take their skills, strategies and knowledge and apply ...

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## Conferences and calls for papers

4th Australian Universal Design Conference: We are looking forward to hosting the postponed conference in Melbourne 17-18 May 2021. Looking forward to meeting face to face again!

New to the list: International Conference on Transport and Health, virtual event, 14-20 June 2021. Call for abstracts closes 28 February 2021. Key categories are: Transport and health behaviour; Innovative technologies; Transport and health ...

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This course will help you get your head around the complexities and see how universal design can make things simple. For policy makers, urban planners, housing professionals and home builders. [Find out more!](#) Takes less than an hour to do.



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### Introduction to Universal Design

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