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Is citizen science the same as co-design?

Co-design is a term emerging in the field of accessible and inclusive design. But co-design methods have been around for a long time in one form or another. Academics will recognise this as Participatory Action Research. And now we have citizen science in planning. Is citizen science the same as co-design? In this context, yes. The common theme is that the people ...

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Retire the retirement village

Age-friendly communities where people of all ages live, work and play could be the way of the future. That means the desirability of age-segregated living could be on the way out. Many people will live 30 years after the age of 65 years. By 2030 all baby boomers will have turned 65 and Gen X will be joining the older ...

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Racial segregation by design

Is urban planning racist? We could also ask if urban planning is ableist or sexist. The answer to all three is probably, 'yes', but to what degree. Lisa Stafford argues strongly that planning is ableist, and transport planners have been considering gender for a while now. In a FastCo article, one architect believes there is racial segregation by design. Segregation ...

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Designing with autism in mind

Well designed buildings support people with physical impairment, but what about people with sensory issues or cognitive conditions? Shelly Dival argues that designing with autism in mind supports people with autism in education, work and home environments. Dival's Churchill Fellowship report outlines building features requiring further research, including design theories, methods and outcomes. Her findings are also featured in an ...

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The benefit of designing for everyone

The assumption that designing for everyone will cost more often goes unchallenged. Even economic arguments for business benefits rarely cut through because of this. If economic arguments for inclusion worked we wouldn't still be talking about it. A Centre for Inclusive Design report analyses inclusive business practice and covers some areas not covered before. The report analyses education, retail and ...

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How smart is the smart walking cane?

Can a smart walking cane overcome the stigma of using an assistive device? Perhaps. It's more likely for the tech-savvy generations coming up who might be happy for all the help they can get. This cane for sighted people is still a cane regardless of tech additions. Stigma is a major factor in the lack of take-up of assistive devices ...

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Enabling environments for dementia

Staying home has taken on a new meaning, and for some, a priority, amid the COVID-19 pandemic. But what if the design of the home environment isn't helping, especially if you have dementia? Alzheimer's WA has a great website with really practical information on houses and apartments. But we need to create all environments for dementia. Of course, staying home ...

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