# Purple Tuesday

Changing the customer experience



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- Meet the team for One to One



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# Karen Blanchford Purple Tuesday lead





# 15%

# of the global population have a disability.



### **States Disability Survey 2012**

In Guernsey and Alderney there are:

 13,700 with long term condition/impairment\*
 4,000 Carers

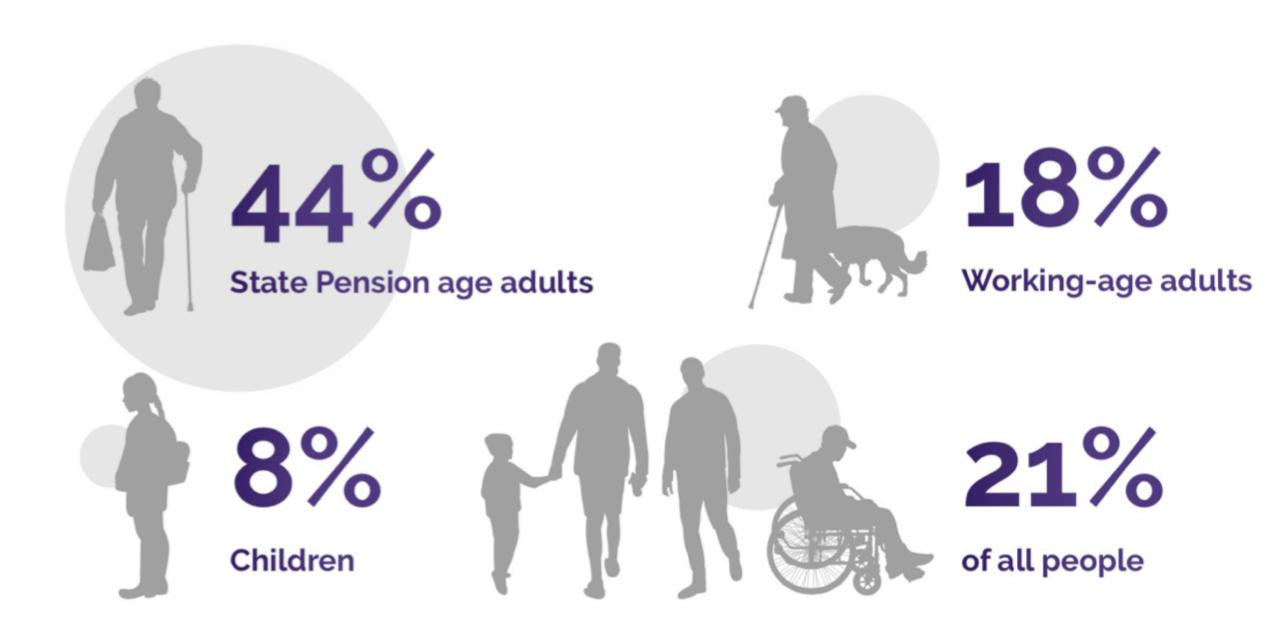
\* Note: This is not a definition of disability

Source: Guernsey Facts and Figures Booklet 2013 Disability Needs Survey 2012



### **Diversity of Disability**

Multiple sclerosis		Respiratory disease		Facial disfigurement
Dyslexia	Learning disat		Brain injury Diabetes	Mobility impairment
Heart disease	Down Synd	Irome	Fibromyalgia	Cerebral palsy
	Motor Neuron	ne Disease	Autism	Cancer
Visual im		Spinal	Autism	Cancer Hearing impairment
	pairment polar disorder		Autism	Hearing impairment



# Introduction to Purple Tuesday



### Purple Tuesday 2019 is:

- an international call to action, focused on changing the customer experience for disabled people
- all about making the customer experience accessible

### Purple Tuesday 2019 is:

- Part of Purple's vision for organisations to see disability as an opportunity – both in terms of existing and potential employees and customers
- A celebration of the purple pound the spending power of disabled people and their families

## Across the UK, The Purple Pound is worth £249 billion...

...and is rising by an average of 14%

per annum.



# £249,000,000

Per Year in Guernsey



## **Disabled People**

- Are more brand loyal
- Make more shopping trips
- Spend more per trip

Nielson study, 2016



### **Barriers**

Inaccessible building	S					
•		Inac	cessible transport			
Indirect discrimination	Cost of equipment		Access to Education Complex wording			
Panel interviews	Prejudice People's attitudes					
Level of education						
People's assumption	High kerbs	Institut	ional Discrimination			
Small Print Sizes	native info syst	Inaccessible Services				
Online-only recruitment processes Stereotyping & Stigma						
Poor design (not ur	opropriate adjustment					

### **Customer Service**

- Hello, Can I help you?
- Hidden Disability training
- Online training

 Guernsey Employment Trust – best practice guide



Employment and Disability: Good Practice Guide for Employers in Guernsey





# Elaine Strapinni

### Guernsey Employment Trust







### **Guernsey Employment Trust**

# Our aim is to support disabled and disadvantaged people to secure and maintain work in Guernsey.



### **Resources for Employers**

- Assist with filling vacancies with suitable applicants
- Good Practice Guide
  - Recruitment and Selection
  - Induction and Initial Training
  - Policies and Practices
  - Disability Etiquette
  - Advice and Support for Employers
- Employment and Disability Training- next event TBC
- Employers' Disability Charter





## Language and Etiquette

Using the right language and etiquette with disabled customers is a key concern for staff



# 99%

# of customers say it is all about context rather than what is said



## Some practical hints and tips for you

There is a range of little things you can do which would have a big impact on the disabled customer's experience.

- If you are talking to a wheelchair user, talk to them directly and make eye contact with them rather than the floor, or the person they are with.
- Let a blind person reach out for your arm to guide them around rather than you giving them your arm.
- In a noisy environment, when you approach a customer ask them if they want to step to a quieter place to start the conversation.
- Teach yourself hello and goodbye in sign language. It makes such a difference to a deaf person, and you might find you want to learn even more useful phrases.
- When talking to people with autism and/or Asperger's stick to clear facts rather than providing information that then needs interpreting.

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## Wheelchair users

Talk to wheelchair users directly and make eye contact with them rather than the floor, or the person they are with.



Let a blind person reach out for your arm to guide them around the store rather than you giving them your arm **Hints and Tips** 

## Mental health conditions

In a noisy shop, ask customers if they want to step to a quieter place to talk.

For a person with mental health conditions (and plenty others as well!) it might be the difference between staying, or walking out.



## Deaf people

Teach yourself hello and goodbye in sign language. It makes such a difference to a deaf person, and you might find you want to learn even more useful phrases.

# **Kitty Stewart** Senior Speech and Language Therapist







## Teach yourself Sign Language



# **Catherine Hall**

Autism (National Autism Society)





## Autism and Asperger's

Stick to clear facts rather than providing information which needs interpreting.

For example: "we have this jumper in red, navy and black" rather than "we have this jumper in lots of colours."

### Sandra's videos



I have Asperger's syndrome, which part of the package is high anxiety levels, and sensory issues,



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### **Quiet Hour**



Food

#

In conjunction with local charity Autism Guernsey, and as part of an initiative from the National Autistic Society, we are proud to have a 'QUIET' HOUR in Grand Marché St Martin and Grand Marché St Sampson.

Every Monday, between the hours of 3pm and 4pm, these stores will:

- turn off music
- make no tannoy announcements
- · provide an autism-friendly checkout (the bleeps of

machines will be set to the lowest volume)

 have colleagues available who have undergone autism awareness training

Travel

Care

The aim is to make it an easier shopping environment for adults and children who are on the autism spectrum, but those who feel that they would value the hour are more than welcome to come along.

# Gill Evans States Disability Officer





# 80%

# Of disabled people have invisible or hidden impairments





Of your customers and clients will have a disability.



# 75%

Of disabled people and their families have left a store or website because of poor customer service or accessibility issues



# Hidden Disability Lanyard





#### Co-Operative Society





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#### **Hidden Disabilities Sunflower Scheme**

#### Not all disabilities are visible.



#### Our scheme offers islanders with hidden disabilities the option to wear a Sunflower lanyard or pin badge while shopping at our stores.

The lanyard/pin badge helps Co-op colleagues to recognise, reassure and respond to members and customers with unseen disabilities, who may need additional support while shopping.

As a community retailer we are passionate about supporting our local communities. We worked with Guernsey Disability Alliance and Enable Jersey to launch this initiative in Grand Marché stores in June 2018. After an initial trial period, the scheme is now a permanent service across all of our stores in Jersey and Guernsey.

## **Hidden Disabilities Lanyard**

## Just say:

- How can I help you?
- Make them feel at ease
- Speak clearly and slowly
- Be patient

- Explain in simple and easy language
- Listen to them

## **Online training**



Disability Awareness Training Free Online Training

.gg

WWW.

## 6 Modules

- Different impairments and disabilities
- Practical advice about helping people with different disabilities
- Why it is important to use the correct language to describe disability

## AccessableAble

- Online guide
- Updated annually
- Factual information
- Access and facilities
- Available as an app

- Over 600 venues on Guernsey
- Assist when planning visits

#### 🔘 Introduction

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O Location	>
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Outside Access (Main Entrance)	>
Other Floors	>
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Accessible Toilet (Second Floor)	>
Accessible Toilet (Third Floor)	>
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#### Parking

#### • The venue does not have its own car park.

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Public Car Parks	View	~
Blue Badge On Street Parking	View	~
<ul> <li>On street marked Blue Badge bays are available.</li> <li>The dimensions of the marked Blue Badge bays are 160cm x 680cm (5ft 3in x 22ft 4in).</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>On street Blue Badge parking is located on Market Street.</li> </ul>		

## **Site Accessibility**

- Access for All local charity
- Lead: Tony Yates places@access.gg
- 47 Access Auditors trained including James Barker, Create





# James Barker

Design Director & Chartered Architect

create.



Ensuring the best experiences for our customers by creating safe, healthy and secure destinations where everyone is valued, and diversity and equality is respected.

#### **Access Audit course**



- Access awareness
- The Equality Act 2010, other legislation and design standards
- Principles of inclusive design, design guidance and access strategies are brought to life by our experienced trainers
- Appraisal and auditing methodologies are explored, formats for reports and making priorities and rcommendations.

#### **Accessible Parking video**



#### **Site Accessibility**

- 1. Prior to site visit website
- 2. Approach to the site/car parking
- 3. Entrances to the site
- 4. Customer service/reception areas
- 5. Communication to visitors and customers



#### **Site Accessibility**

- 6. Vertical movement, level changes, lifts and escalators
- 7. Toilets and changing facilities
- 8. Means of escape/emergency/refuge
- 9. Capability of our people/training/understanding
- 10.Promotional events, temporary events and children's play areas

# **Ben Jones**Digital Accessibility





#### Why make your website accessible?

- 1 in 5 people in the UK have a disability.
- 1 in 30 people in the UK is blind or visually impaired
- Around 15% of the UK population has dyslexia
- Online spend of UK disabled people is estimated at £16 billion.

#### You will improve your site for



#### **Telephone number**

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#### **Colour Contrast**



#### (not so) Clear Links

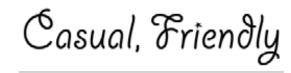


#### **Clear Links**

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Which local groups are near me?	> Wills and Trusts Service	>	Social care		
	<ul> <li>Services you can count on</li> </ul>	>	Housing		
Search	> Health	>	Benefits		
	<ul> <li>Relationships and sex</li> </ul>	>	Local groups		
	> Children and young people	>	Diagnosis		
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#### Fonts to avoid







Old Style



## Why?

- Serifs fonts, like Times New Roman, are more difficult to read when projected on a screen.
- Italicized type is also difficult to read on the screen.
- Small fonts won't show up at the back of the room.





#### Helvetica

Open Sans

PT Sans

#### The Nan test



#### Making websites accessible

- Add Telephone number
- Keyboard Navigation
- Label your images
- Colour Contrast

- Clear links
- Text styles
- The "Nan" Test

#### **Hints and Tips**

#### We encourage you to consider ....

- 1. Undertaking an **online accessibility audit**. Your organisation's website is a gateway to what you do, but often has unnecessary barriers which prevent disabled people from accessing information. Often the solutions are quick to resolve at little to no cost
- 2. Committing to provide **disability customer service training** to your staff through face to face, online or blended forms of delivery
- **3**. Training your staff to **learn some key words** and phrases in British Sign Language
- 4. Improving your organisation's wayfaring signage

#### **Hints and Tips**

### We encourage you to consider ....

- 5. Undertaking a **staff audit** to better understand your organisation's confidence and knowledge in disability issues, and use the information to agree an action plan for improvement
- 6. Formalising **quiet hours** to support people with autism as well as others with sensory needs
- 7. Promoting awareness of hidden disabilities through the adoption of the 'Not every disability is visible' signage and local training
- 8. Undertaking a **physical access audit** to identify where you can make improvements



#### **Purple Tuesday free resources**





- Good practice Guide
- Employers Charter
- Training events





- Free online training
- Hidden Disability lanyard training
- AccessAble website
- Disabilityofficer@gov.gg





- We All Matter, Eh?
- Purple Tuesday website
- Hidden Disability videos





Access for All

- Web page with videos
- Fact sheets
- Partners

