

Accessibility Summary of the Brighton Centre, King's Road, Brighton, BN1 2GR

Parking

The Brighton Centre is well served by 3 multi storey NCP car parks.

Russell Road car park is sited in the same block as the Brighton Centre and the pedestrian access from the car park is located at the corner of Russell Road and Cannon Place.

Car parks Churchill 1 and Churchill 2 are located to the North side of Russell Road. Pedestrian access via lifts is located within the Churchill shopping centre.

For any delegates using wheelchairs and wishing to park close to the Brighton Centre, the NCP Russell Road car park would be the most convenient. The Russell Road car park has 16 dedicated disabled parking bays sited close to the car park passenger lifts and 2 are located on each floor.

Main Entrance to the Brighton Centre

The Brighton Centre comprises of 2 buildings which are interconnected; the Brighton Centre and The Syndicate Wing. The main entrance to the Brighton Centre is located on Kings Road and the main entrance to The Syndicate Wing is located on Russell Road. Access between each building is also available internally.

Exterior Access

For delegates arriving by wheelchair, There is a dedicated wheelchair access door on the West side of the new frontage. This allows access to a small foyer area servicing the Brighton Centre Box Office and also FEED café. There is dedicated wheelchair access door alongside the three revolving doors which facilitates access to The Brighton Centre main foyer.

For delegates arriving on foot, there is a large revolving door to the new frontage of the venue facilitating access to a small foyer servicing The Brighton Centre Box Office and FEED café, there are then three revolving doors allowing access to The Brighton Centre main foyer. There is also access from FEED café into the Main Foyer which is also fully accessible compliant

Please note that the 3 sets of double doors located to the East section of the King's Road elevation are Fire Doors only and do not provide access into the building.

Main Entrance to the adjacent Syndicate Wing

Exterior Access

The main entrance to the Syndicate Wing is located on Russell Road and is accessed via 3 double door sets which are of manual operation. There is no designated powered

accessible entrance door, however a steward should always be available to offer assistance if required.

Internal Access into the Syndicate Wing

The Syndicate Wing can also be accessed from the inside of the Brighton Centre.

For delegates travelling by wheelchair, please travel to the rear of the Brighton Centre at Ground Floor level. There are 3 lifts located at the rear of the building. Take the lift furthest on the right as you face the lifts. Travel one level up to the Mezzanine Level. When you arrive at the Russell Road rear entrance there is a fully accessible entrance which takes you to the Syndicate Wing foyer. This foyer gains access to Syndicates 1 and 2 and a fully accessible lift in the foyer will allow you access to Syndicates 3 and 4

If you require assistance at any stage, please ask a steward.

For delegates able to use stairs, please use the internal stepped access located at the rear of the Brighton Centre. This will take you straight through into The Syndicate Wing.

Main Foyer

The Main Foyer area within the Brighton Centre is large and generally easy to access. 2 Enquiry Desks will be provided at which portable induction loops are located.

Communal Areas: Brighton Centre

All rooms where meetings are held incorporate perimeter induction loop systems.

Ground Floor

The Ground Floor Box Office is located at the front of the building (Kings Road side). It has a low level counter section located at the far end and has a portable hearing induction loop installed.

The Ground Floor Information & Gifts counter is located to the front of the building on the East side. It incorporates a low level counter section and a portable induction loop.

Mezzanine Level

There is a V.I.P. / Security Counter located at the rear of the building (Russell Road side). This incorporates a low level counter section and a portable hearing induction loop. This can be accessed by the lifts at the rear of the building. Take the far left lift as you face them and travel up to the Mezzanine level. The lift exits within the V.I.P. / Security area.

First Floor

The First Floor incorporates Auditorium 1 and Auditorium 2. Both halls have a permanent induction loop installed.

There are designated wheelchair locations provided during both standing and seated concerts.

The First Floor also incorporates a 2Bar, East and West bars, each have a low level counter section.

To the rear of the floor is a First Aid Room. (now situated to the rear of the WEST Bar)

Second Floor

This is a small floor area incorporating a Meeting Room 3, Office 4, Meeting Room 5 and Kitchen and is located to the rear of the building.

Third Floor

The Restaurant located at the front (Kings Road side) and has a low level counter section. This area is all at one level, is wheelchair accessible via lifts 1 and 2

At third floor level, within the auditorium area a dedicated platform area has been provided for any delegates using wheelchairs. This wheelchair platform is located in a prime area on the South balcony.

There is no direct access between the South side of the building and the North side of the building for any delegates.

There is no wheelchair access onto the East or West Balconies for any delegates using a wheelchair.

2 public telephones are provided on a stair landing at the rear of the Brighton Centre. There are currently no telephones which are considered to be accessible.

On the Third Floor North side of the venue you will find Meeting Rooms 6, 8, 9 and 10 and Offices 7, 11, 12 and 13. These are all fully accessible for wheelchair users via the lifts to the North side of the venue and are also accessed via the North staircase which also takes you to Syndicates 3 and 4

Communal Areas: The Syndicate Wing

The Syndicate Wing has Syndicate Rooms 1 and 2 located on the Ground Floor and Syndicate Rooms 3 and 4 located on the First Floor. There is also an accessible bar area located on the Ground Floor.

Lifts: Brighton Centre

There are 2 passenger lifts located to the front (King's Road) side of the building and 3 passenger lifts located to the rear (Russell Road) side.

All lifts are considered to be adequately large enough to carry a large wheelchair and companion. All lifts have wheelchair accessible control buttons.

Lifts: The Syndicate Wing

The Syndicate Wing has one passenger lift which serves the Ground and First Floor. The lift is considered to be adequately large enough to carry a large wheelchair and companion. The lift car control buttons are located at 1200mm above the floor level and may not be easily accessible to some users.

Toilets: Brighton Centre

There are wheelchair accessible toilets located on the Ground, First and Third Floors.

The Ground Floor accessible toilets are located within the Male and Female toilets. There are 2 Unisex accessible toilets located adjacent to the Male and Female toilets within the East and West Bar areas.

There is one Unisex accessible toilet located near to the entrance of the Restaurant at Third Floor level on the East side.

There are general Male and Female toilets located on every floor.

Toilets: The Syndicate Wing

There is one Unisex accessible toilet located within the Foyer area on the Ground and First Floors.

There are general Male and Female toilets located within the Foyer area on the Ground and First Floors.

Evacuation

The Brighton Centre and The Syndicate Wing are both well served by Fire Exit routes.

Evac chairs are located within Emergency Escape Stairs. Stewards are responsible for the safe evacuation of delegates from each floor level and will check all toilet facilities on evacuation.