

Accessibility in Eccleshall - summary

The two main streets in Eccleshall - High Street and Stafford Street have mediaeval origins and business premises can date back to mediaeval times. About two thirds of the shops and other premises are therefore approached by steps although some have level side and rear entrances or ramps.

We have done a fairly full survey of premises in Eccleshall and to summarize:

Shops - many have steps. Wheelchair users may be able to manage one step, sometimes with help, but sometimes there are several.

Catering businesses: some of these are accessible and a number of the pubs and restaurants have accessible toilets though a number lack emergency cords. Some have level access at the side or rear.

Health and beauty: most of these premises have accessibility problems. Some are on the first floor. Some have entry steps including the pharmacy. At the doctors there is parking and level access from the rear but the accessible toilet is up two steps. The dentist and chiropodist have steps.

Public buildings: The library has a level entry and accessible toilet but the public toilets on Stone Road lack one. Holy Trinity Hall has a Radar Key toilet accessible from the churchyard.

Places of worship: Holy Trinity church and hall are both accessible. Holy Trinity has internal ramps which allow access to the communion rail.

Sports Facilities: mostly have provision and accessible toilets. Eccleshall Cricket club has especially good facilities, including for spectating. Eagles Park is new and probably therefore fully accessible. Baden Hall Fisheries offer reduced prices to people with disabilities.

Recreation: Eccleshall Film Club meets upstairs in the Royal Oak but most Village Halls will be accessible. Eccleshall Community Centre has an accessible toilet with resident organ.

Garden Centres: Fletchers offer refreshments and have a slightly problematic accessible toilet. Bury Bank has an anonymous but quite good accessible toilet in the grounds. Johnson Hall Nursery has no public toilet.