



Communication Boards

A communication board enables better communication in shared spaces. It means all people can communicate effectively and feel welcome and accepted. It's a great way to ensure your space is inclusive and welcoming to all.



WHAT IS A COMMUNICATION BOARD?

A communication board is a large board with words and symbols to support the expression of thoughts, needs, wants and ideas for people with a communication disability. A communication board benefits people of all abilities. It can act as a menu to suggest things a person might like to say, enhance a verbal message, clarify speech when it's difficult to understand, or as a replacement for someone who doesn't use verbal speech.

A communication board shows that symbolic communication is valued and acknowledged in your space.



A COMMUNICATION DISABILITY BELONGS TO US ALL

Communication is a two way street, so a communication disability does not belong to a person, but to their whole community. Supporting people with communication disability is not limited to direct changes on their behalf, but also requires the development of a communication accessible community.



How we can help

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We customise each communication board so it is fit for purpose and visitors can talk specifically about your space when they visit.

Our templates include comprehensive vocabulary, designed to encourage back and forth interaction between people using the space.

We use Boardmaker with Tobii Dynavox Picture Communication System (PCS) symbols that are internationally recognised and understood by people who use symbols to communicate.

Standard Inclusions:

- Custom design of a communication board for your setting
- The addition of your own branding to the board
- Vocabulary selection to enable interaction
- Instructions for how to use the board
- Accessible design and layout
- Supply of the board as a high resolution PDF
- Supply of the board as a low resolution PDF for your website

Our service does not include the production and installation of the communication board. We can provide advice on the size and location if required.

Contact Two Way Street to find out more.

YOUR CHECKLIST

- ☐ **Sign location:** ensure the board is accessible and close to areas of interest. Make sure it is easily reachable by those who need it
- ☐ **Sign size:** our boards are typically 1m x 1m
- ☐ **Sign design:** tell Two Way Street if the board will be single or double-sided
- ☐ **Permission and approvals:** share this information with your team and determine what is required to obtain permission for the board
- ☐ **Consider funding sources:** would a local charity or other organisations be interested in contributing the communication board?
- ☐ **Photos of the space:** send photos of your space to Two Way Street to guide us with customising your communication board
- ☐ **Contact printing companies:** ask for printing material that is durable and weather resistant
- ☐ **Website downloads:** consider the best location on your website to share the downloadable PDF so people can easily download, print and bring a copy with them when they visit your space