



INCLUSION IRELAND

National Association for People with an Intellectual Disability

**Inclusion Ireland
Submission to
The National Transport Authority
(NTA) on the changes to Dublin
Bus**

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About Inclusion Ireland

Established in 1961, Inclusion Ireland is a national, rights based advocacy organisation that works to promote the rights of people with an intellectual disability.

The vision of Inclusion Ireland is that of people with an intellectual disability living and participating in the community with equal rights as citizens.

Inclusion Ireland's work is underpinned by the values of dignity, inclusion, social justice, democracy and autonomy.

Public Sector Duty

Section 42 of the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission Act 2014 places a positive duty on public sector bodies to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, promote equality, and protect human rights, in their daily work. The Public Sector Duty applies whether the service is provided directly by the State, or through a non-state actor.

Inclusion Ireland would encourage Dublin Bus to ensure that all changes to be made in relation to Dublin Bus are in line with this duty by being proactive in promoting equality; ensuring human rights are realised and eliminating discrimination.

About this Submission

Inclusion Ireland held a consultation with members of the Self-Advocacy Subcommittee of the Board.

Inclusion Ireland is moving towards complete accessibility of its work and this submission is in easy-to-read.



This submission is about the planned Dublin Bus changes and what people with intellectual disabilities feel about this.



People said that more information needs to be made available to people with intellectual disabilities.

Bus timetables and any other information needs to be made available in easy to read format so that people can understand.



Buses need to be on time and reliable.



Buses need to be wheelchair accessible.



Buses need to be accessible for people with visual impairments.



This includes having audio systems that work on each bus and for each bus stop.



Prices shouldn't be increased.

Bus passes still need to be accepted by all buses.



People said they were worried that some routes will have less buses going through them.

Overall, people with disabilities need to be supported through all these changes.