

Bushey Museum Access Statement July 2018

Due for review – August 2018

What is an Access Statement?

An Access Statement is a written, clear, accurate, and above all honest description of our current facilities and the services we offer, to enable you to make an informed decision as to whether the museum meets your particular access needs.

Bushey Museum's Mission Statement

Bushey Museum Trust exists to promote a Museum, Art Gallery and Local Studies Centre and preserve, for the benefit of the public, material of historic, artistic, archaeological and social interest and importance to the people of Bushey and surrounding areas.

Introduction:

The museum tells the story of Bushey through social history collections as well as housing an extensive art gallery, in particular Hubert Von Herkomer, local artist and Lucy Kemp Welch. It contains summaries on key panels, a variety of hands-on activities and computer interactives.

We welcome your feedback to help us continually improve. If you have any comments please contact us:

Bushey Museum and Art Gallery
Rudolph Road
Bushey
Herts
WD23 3HW

Tel: (Weds – Fri) 020 8420 4057
(Thurs – Sun) 020 890 3233

Email: busmt@busheymuseum.org

Opening times:

11am – 4pm Thursday to Sunday.

Pre-arrival:

To contact the museum prior to arrival:

Phone – 0208 420 4057 (open Weds to Fri 9.30am-5pm)

Email - busmt@busheymuseum.org

Website: www.busheymuseum.org

Write to: Bushey Museum and Art Gallery, Rudolph Road, Bushey, WD23 3HW

Directions:

TQ13207 95346

Latitude 51.645527 longitude -0.36525139

Please see our website for directions for all means of transport:

<http://www.busheymuseum.org/travel/>

The nearest railway station is approx. 1 mile away; a half hour's walk uphill.

Car Parking:

There is a small onsite car park and the museum entrance has a sloped path with handrails.

Dogs:

Assistance dogs only are welcome in the museum.

On arrival:

Admission is free.

Immediately on entering the building, there is carpeted flooring. You will be greeted by a steward, who can assist with any particular needs.

The outer entrance doors are 152cms wide. These open onto automatic inner doors of 134cms wide.

Ground Floor Galleries:

Large Local History Gallery:

Parquet flooring, interactive timeline database.

Small Local History Gallery and Jubilee Room:

Parquet flooring.

Both these rooms house regularly changing exhibitions.

Two unisex toilets, clearly signposted.

Accessible toilet:

Width of door – 90cms

Transfer to the toilet is 27cms from the right hand side handrail from a seated position
Height of toilet (floor to seat) – 45cms
Height of wash basin (floor to rim) – 70cms
Hand rails either side of toilet
Red alarm call cord

Baby changing facilities are also available in this toilet.

Lift:

The galleries are situated over two floors. The lift is on the ground floor beside the accessible toilet. The door width of the lift is 81cms

First Floor Galleries:

These areas are carpeted throughout.

Seating is provided in most galleries.

Lighting is mainly by spotlights but at low brightness to protect the artefacts.

The environmental conditions are monitored to keep temperature below 23 degrees Celsius and relative humidity below 55% where possible.

CCTV operates throughout the building.

The galleries include a variety of opportunities for accessing information including text panels and listening posts, touchscreen databases, film, handling / tactile objects, toys and dressing up clothes. In the temporary exhibition areas, these items vary according to the subject of the exhibition.

All doorways on the first floor are 98cms wide.

Emergency access situated in the Art Gallery with an evacuation chair in case of fire.

Gift Shop:

Counter height 90cms; selling cards, prints and books, souvenirs and pocket money toys.

Cheques are accepted but not cards.

Council Chamber:

Touchscreen interactive.

Toilets:

Two unisex toilets, door widths 90cms.

One of these is an accessible toilet:

Transfer to the toilet is 14cms from the handrail from a seated position

Height of toilet (floor to seat) – 45cms

Height of wash basin (floor to rim) – 70cms

Hand rails either side of toilet

Red alarm call cord

Lucy Kemp Welch Gallery:

Computer interactive with sound.

Children's activities – jigsaws, books, quizzes and building blocks.

Additional information:

No smoking anywhere in the building.

Music sometimes included in temporary exhibitions.

The museum is entirely run by volunteers whose initial induction does draw attention to disability and diversity awareness.

There is no First Aider on site, however there are First Aid kits should visitors need to self-treat.

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Hours of opening

Thursday to Sunday: 11am – 4pm

Future plans:

The museum hopes to apply for a substantial funding grant to redevelop the ground floor of the museum to bring the shop and reception area down to this level.

If you have comments or suggestions, please leave them with a member of staff or at reception before you leave or phone or email them to us. Should you have a complaint, please contact the Operations Manager.