



PENLEE HOUSE GALLERY & MUSEUM ACCESS STATEMENT

Penlee House Gallery & Museum believes that everyone should be able to access and enjoy Penlee House and its collections.

We recognise that barriers to access exist, and we will listen to our audiences and potential audiences so that we can work towards breaking down these barriers to enable everyone to find a way to enjoy the collections and venue.

1. Penlee House Gallery & Museum will comply with all Equal Opportunities legislation, not only in law, but in practice and approach.
2. We will strive to be an example of best practice and we will actively seek feedback and take reasonable steps to act on any recommendations to improve access.
3. We will continue annually to make access improvements and record and monitor these improvements.
4. We will strive to seek funding, sponsorship and grant aid for continued improvements.
5. We will actively implement a programme of access-needs awareness training for staff and volunteers
6. We will treat access issues as central to our function and not in isolation. Access should be an integral part of Penlee House Gallery & Museum's core policies e.g. Forward Plan and Collections Development Policy.
7. We will list all facilities on our website www.penleehouse.org.uk and in our annual leaflet. We will feature our site on the Euan's Guide website: www.euansguide.com and encourage feedback from users.
8. We will ensure that access includes both intellectual and physical access and that our policies are socially inclusive.

This policy was reviewed and approved on 30 September 2019 by the Penlee House Committee

It is next due for review in September 2022.