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*Director – Road Safety Policy and Transport Standards
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The Director,

The draft DIRD guidelines on whole of trip planning for people with disabilities are to be commended and are very consistent with PIA's policy agenda promoting integrating land use and transport, urban design and improved liveability.

The guidelines take a holistic view of trip needs which challenges the way we think and provide for transport via separate entities before and along each trip. The guidelines go beyond basic disability standards compliance towards a more contemporary way of conceiving the transport task.

The only additional comment we would suggest is for DIRD to consider what incentives / education / governance measures are appropriate for transport and planning bodies and operators to adopt a whole of trip mindset and go beyond meeting basic standards.

PIA would like to disseminate the appropriate version of the guidelines (once not confidential) among our membership - as we believe it is also a valuable resource.

Congratulations on the work. Please contact me on 0400 953 025 if you require any further information from PIA.

Kind regards

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