

MOBILITY AND ACCESS COMMITTEE FOR SCOTLAND

SUPPLEMENTARY WRITTEN SUBMISSION

Note by the Clerk

At the Infrastructure and Capital Investment Committee's meeting on Wednesday 20 May 2015, Ann MacLean of the Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland (MACS) offered to come back to the Committee on how often the Department for Transport updates the national railway station access code of practice

Response from the Mobility and Access Committee for Scotland

Having checked with Transport Scotland I can confirm that *Design standards for accessible railway stations: a code of practice* was published in March 2015 by the Department for Transport and Transport Scotland. These replaced an earlier code of practice valid from November 2011. Both the Disabled Persons Transport Advisory Committee and MACS were consulted in the development of both codes.

Operators are required to meet the European and national standards, as set out in the main body of the code, when providing new, renewed or replacement facilities on passenger trains or at stations. The Code does not impose an obligation on operators to take action to enhance accessibility in other circumstances.

I hope this information is helpful.

Anne MacLean OBE
Convener
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