WHO WE ARE

SGDEN is an independent group run by disabled people.

We represent and improve the lives of disabled people across South Gloucestershire.



WHAT WE BELIEVE

SGDEN believes it is the physical and attitudinal barriers of society which turn people's impairments into a disability.

By impairment we mean any physical, sensory or mental health condition which can lead to disadvantage and discrimination.

KEEP IN TOUCH

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Can't Wait scheme

Please pass this leaflet on and help spread the word

With thanks to funding from



Can't wait

Please help!

I have a medical condition which is not infectious that means I need to use your toilet facilities urgently. Your **co-operation** and **kindness** would be very much **appreciated**.



THE SCHEME

"Can't Wait" is run by SGDEN and the council to encourage businesses to make their toilets available to disabled people with an urgent need.

Who is it for?

The card can be used for all impairments including "invisible" disabilities and conditions.

Sometimes a disabled person needs to be accompanied by someone of the opposite sex and can't use single sex toilets. Fear of being unable access a toilet urgently means some disabled people have trouble getting out.

How does it work?

The scheme works on the basis of mutual responsibility and respect.

Businesses open their doors while cardholders leave facilities as they found them. This ensures our communities remain open, respectful and supportive.

THE CARD

The **Can't Wait** card is for disabled people who may have an urgent need to use the toilet.

If you are a disabled person or carer with a need for the card, you can request one from your GP or community nurse, or other partners including Age UK, the Alzheimer's Society, Bristol Area Stroke Foundation, Memory nurses as well as ourselves.



Please speak to us if you'd like more information. You can email contact@sgden.org.uk.

GET INVOLVED

We need your help to expand this scheme. We are looking for volunteers to help promote the scheme and ask businesses to get on board, as well as keeping a record of businesses which we can promote as scheme members.



The sign displayed by participating businesses

Occasionally, people with certain medical conditions have an urgent need to use the toilet. South Gloucestershire Council is asking retailers, business owners and venue operator: to show their support and understanding for people who 'Can't Wait' by letting them use staff toilets or public toilets in a venue where they are not purchasing goods.



Please display this postcard in your window to let people carrying the **Can't Wait** card know that you support the scheme.

The **Can't Wait** cards are only distributed by trusted partners to those people who have a genuine need. By supporting the scheme you will help those people to be confident in getting out and about, and lessen the risk of them becoming lonely and isolated.

