



Presentation to:

South Central  
Area Committee

By

***Ballyfermot/Chapelizod  
ACCESS Group***

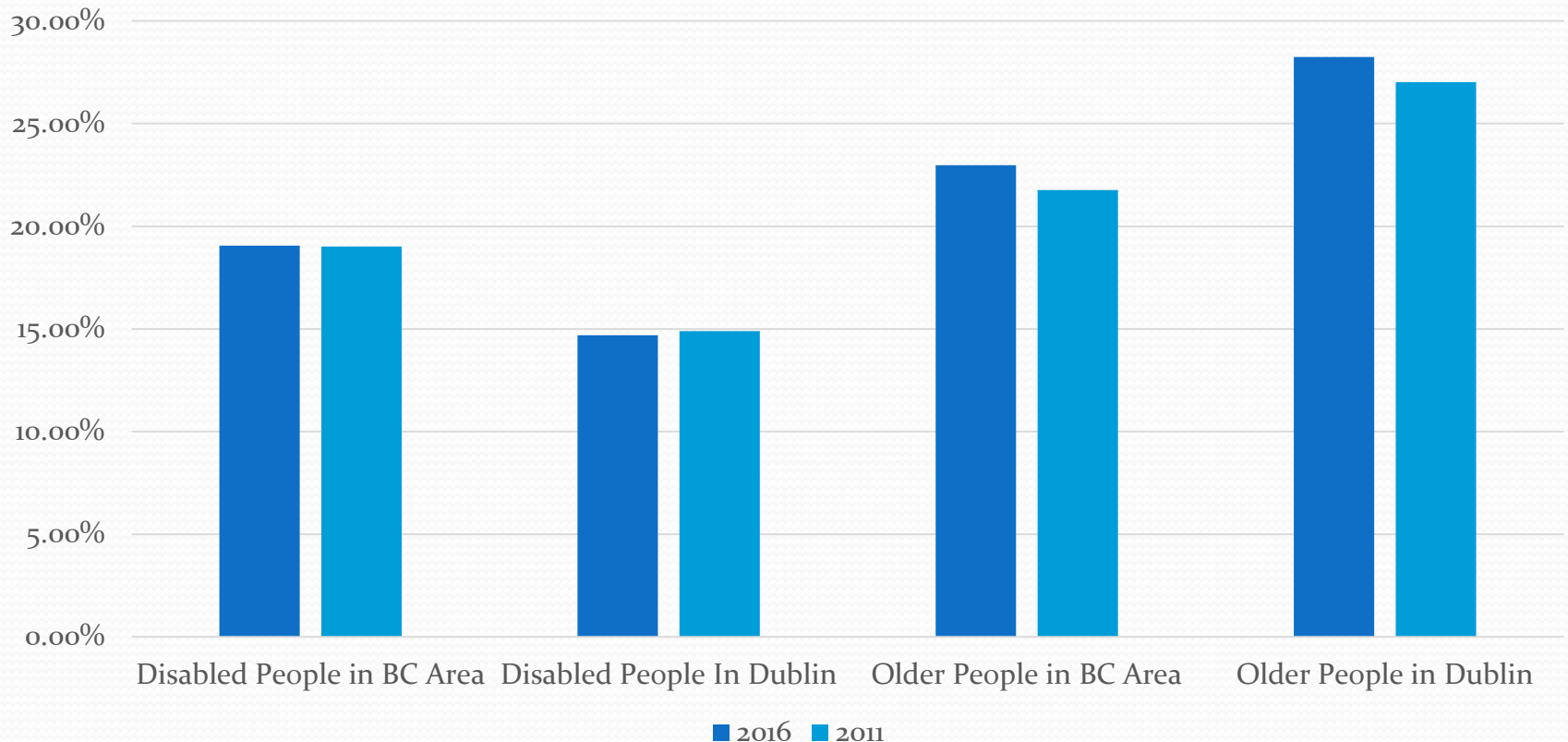
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BC ACCESS 10/20  
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Smashing Barriers  
2016

# Disabled & Older People in the Ballyfermot Chapelizod area

Disabled/Older People 2016/2011



# How many Disabled People are in Ballyfermot Chapelizod area

- Disabled people population static as a % of population in both BC and wider Dublin area.
- However, there are 4.36% more disabled people in the BC area compared to the wider Dublin area.
- The number of older people (aged 50+) is increasing in the BC area at the same rate as the rest of Dublin.
- There are more older people in the wider Dublin area, however life expectancy in BC area is 6.3 years less than many other areas of Dublin. Older people are not living in BC area, they are dying sooner.

# **MEDICAL / SOCIAL MODELS**

## Medical And Social Model Thinking In Schools

<b>MEDICAL MODEL THINKING</b>	<b>SOCIAL MODEL THINKING</b>
Child is faulty	Child is Valued
Diagnosis	Strengths and Needs defined by self and others
Labeling	Identify Barriers and develop solutions
Impairment becomes Focus of attention	Outcome based programme designed
Assessment, monitoring, programmes of therapy imposed	Resources are made available to Ordinary services
Segregation and alternative services	Training for Parents and Professionals
Ordinary needs put on hold	Relationships nurtured
Reentry if normal enough OR Permanent Exclusion	Diversity Welcomed, Child is Included
Society remains unchanged	Society Evolves

# People with disabilities – Cinderella issue

- How visible are disabled people within the community and within the organisations and services in the area?
- 19.04% of people in Dublin 10 and Chapelizod in Census 2016 reported having a disability
- Policy Context – Moving from congregated settings, New housing strategy from City Council, New Directions, ratification of the Un Convention of the Rights of disabled people

# Who Are We?

- **Access** – is the voice of disabled people with all types of impairments in the Dublin 10 and Chapelizod area.
- The group is open to disabled people, their families and carers and support organisations.
- The group is supported by the Ballyfermot/Chapelizod Partnership. Our work is underpinned by an understanding of the social model of disability and from a disability equality perspectives.

# WHAT IS OUR AIM:

- The aim of the group is to promote the inclusion and participation of disabled people and create awareness of the issues affecting the lives of disabled people.
- We are working to support disabled people to become active in their local community and our work plan is informed by the issues of concern to members of the group and the wider community.



# How Will We Do This??

**To achieve our aim, we have set the following objectives:**

- to reach out to all disabled people in the Dublin 10 and Chapelizod area who have an interest in challenging the barriers experienced by disabled people.
- to consult and engage with disabled people on their issues of concern.
- to raise awareness of human rights and disability equality from the social model perspective amongst disabled people, the community, decisions makers in the area
- to build the capacity and leadership of disabled people
- to actively promote the participation of disabled people in all aspects of social, economic, political and cultural life locally and nationally where possible
- To work in collaboration with those who share our concerns for social justice and human rights.

# ACCESS for ALL



## Ballyfermot and Chapelizod

Lets create a barrier free environment that is good for everyone and easier for older people, people with disabilities, a person with a pram or someone carrying heavy loads.

For more information on accessibility please contact Catherine Lane, email [clane@ballyfermotpartnership.ie](mailto:clane@ballyfermotpartnership.ie), call 01 8989165 or text 086 669 51743. Also check out [www.accessdublin.ie](http://www.accessdublin.ie)



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**REMEMBER: Think before you park!**



# THANK YOU

Remember:

*‘Barriers cannot be broken  
by disabled people alone’*

Maureen McGovern, Volunteer Co-ordinator and Pat McCabe Board member



Photos of SB taken at Scene & Heard festival and images used in promoting us in the festival 2017

