

Purple 14 Tuesday

2021 Brochure

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2 November 2021



14 Million

22%

£274 Billion

5,000

Disabled People in the UK

of people in the UK are living with a disability

The spending power of disabled people a year in the UK alone

Organisations already taking part



"As the Board Sponsor for Disability, Carers and Age at Sainsbury's, I am proud that we were the official partner of Purple Tuesday 2020. At Sainsbury's we have supported Purple Tuesday for the past three years and accessibility to services and products has never been more important for customers than it is now. I would encourage other businesses to get involved in this conversation and think about how they can become more accessible."



- Tim Fallowfield – Board Sponsor for Disability, Carers and Age at Sainsbury's



About Purple Tuesday

Purple Tuesday is the #1 UK Brand for improving the disabled customer experience. It engages with organisations across all industries and of all sizes to promote understanding, put in place the right solutions, and equip staff to provide quality customer experience 365 days a year. Over 5,000 companies are already taking part, and you can join them today.

Purple Tuesday has been created by Purple a leading disability organisation working with businesses to create awareness and improve the experiences of disabled people they employ and serve.

For further information about Purple got to www. wearepurple.org.uk/

Call to Action



- **1. Register** your organisation at PurpleTuesday.org.uk/Get-Involved. It is free to participate.
- 2. Commit to making at least one change, that will improve the customer experience for disabled people. If your organisation is already taking actions to improve the customer experience for disabled people, tell us about these changes. If this is a new journey, think about the commitments you can make. Purple Tuesday can support you throughout this process.
- 3. **Deliver** on your committed changes, educate and support your staff so that they can better serve your disabled customers.
- 4. Celebrate Purple Tuesday with us on 2nd November 2021 by sharing your story on Social Media and urging those in your network to get involved in Purple Tuesday too.



Commitment ideas

Your commitments need to be completely tailored to your organisation. See below options that others have chosen to implement



Complete an online Accessibility Audit

To identify where you can make improvements on your website to improve online accessibility



Provide Customer Service Training

For your staff through face-to-face, online or blended forms of delivery to help your staff confidently communicate with disabled people, without fear of unintentionally offending them



Learning British Sign Language

Training your staff to learn some key words and phrases in British Sign Language to enable basic conversation with customers who use this as their main form of communication



Complete a site Access Audit

To identify where you can make improvements in your physical space to improve accessibility



Recognise Hidden Disabilities

Implement the Hidden Disability Sunflower
Lanyard Scheme to make it easier for employees to
know when they are supporting a disabled
customer. As well as putting up Not Every Disability
Is Visible signage



Formalising Quiet Hours

To support customers who may have sensory needs such as Autism, ensuring all usual loud noises are either reduced or removed during this period, such as till beeping and music



What Purple Tuesday can do for you













8,400 social media conversations that included change practice #PurpleTuesday



Items of media coverage including extensive national broadcast slots on BBC 2, BBC News, ITV News and BBC Radio 5 Live

Purple Tuesday top Achievements

Over the last 3 years, Purple Tuesday has become a national brand. Here are some of our top achievements:



Piccadilly Lights

For the last 3 years, Purple have lit up Piccadilly Lights for 30 minutes at 8am which is the peak time for footfall.



ITV Advert

In 2020, Purple worked with ITV SignPost to create the first **Purple Tuesday Advert which** was aired in the week leading up to Purple Tuesday.



National Interviews

National media has been a large part of Purple Tuesday, taking part in interviews with BBC, Victoria Derbyshire, Sky News, Financial Times and more.



Community Support

With Purple Tuesday growing as a brand, the general public are getting more involved, sharing on social media, and holding awareness events in support of the initiative.



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Changing the customer experience

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