

The first edition of *Accessible Lochaber* was published in 2002 following several years of survey work by fieldworkers and volunteers from the Access Panel. This was a substantial and thoroughly researched body of work and it has formed the basis for this updated, enlarged and revised 2007 version. The original edition is now out of print. This revised edition benefits from five years of user feedback and has a re-arranged and more user-friendly layout, it embraces modern technology by including websites where available, and has been expanded to take in the Small Isles and Knoydart.

The re-survey and text-updating work, undertaken by Kath Johnston and Edythe Knowles, has taken 14 months to produce and, as it will be stored electronically and be available on the web, should be relatively easy to keep up to date. Residents and visitors to any particular part of Lochaber need only download the pages from the Guide that refer to that particular area.

The information in the Guide should be read in conjunction with Visit Scotland's accommodation guides. We have tried to ensure that the information is correct and up to date (May 2007) but we would be grateful to hear from you if you find any errors or omissions. It is also advisable to check with the particular establishment.

Again, Chris Ingham has produced the symbols, which we hope do not need any explanation. Dr Su Sen and Hugh Muir, my predecessors as chairmen of the Panel, provided the wisdom, inspiration and support to update and revise the Guide. This is greatly appreciated.

The last five years have seen much enlightenment and a growing awareness about the needs of disabled people in our strides towards our aim of creating an equal world. Long may it continue. I hope you find this guide a small but useful step in achieving this aim.

Ken Johnston  
Chairman.