



## Access For All Report April 2026

The Access For All team have had a fantastic 2025. Expanding our offerings a great deal thanks to the continued support from The North Devon Coast National Landscapes and many local organisations who have either donated or held fundraisers for us, which are always very much appreciated.

This year is our 5<sup>th</sup> year and we now have an incredible fleet consisting of 11 beach wheelchairs, 6 big wheeled rollators, a number of vacuum backrests that give extra back and/or postural support for those who require it, a number of transfer boards for people who can transfer from their own wheelchair to a beach wheelchair, inflatable inserts for younger disabled children to sit in a beach wheelchair with support and we now have a mobile hoist.

Our equipment is available at Saunton, Croyde, Putsborough, Woolacombe and Combe Martin beaches. To view equipment options at each location we have our website [www.accessforallbeaches.org.uk](http://www.accessforallbeaches.org.uk) which has plenty of details on equipment, facilities and beach access at each location with pictures to assist people in planning which beach meets their needs best.

At the end of last year we hosted a second Beach Accessibility meeting which had an incredible turn out of 27 people from relevant organisations and a further 11 people who were unable to attend in person but are in our Accessibility Group. Showing how seriously we take beach accessibility in North Devon and with improved beach access at some locations, new toilet facilities at Saunton and many planned improvements at Croyde incoming we are most definitely showcasing our North Devon Beaches.



2026 is looking to be a busy season with so much equipment now on offer. We will be on hand to support our hosts should any issues arise. We anticipate with such a large fleet now that repairs or a few tweaks in our offerings may be required, so we are just waiting to see how things go.

Going forward I would really like to try again to get equipment in Ilfracombe and Westward Ho! Unfortunately, our offer at both locations has not been successful to date, but I will keep on trying and hope that in 2027 this may be possible, giving more opportunities for people needing support to access our beautiful blue spaces.

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