Manchester City Scores for Inclusivity with New Changing Places Toilet

Manchester City became the fourth Premier League Football Club to install a Changing Places toilet in 2016 with the support and guidance of Aveso. Manchester City FC stated they are making ongoing enhancements and have a dedicated Access Team focusing on improving facilities and access for disabled supporters with the new Changing Places featuring as just part of their wider adaptations.

Aveso Spokesperson:
“We are very proud to have worked with the team at Manchester City Football Club to provide and install a Changing Places toilet facility into the Etihad Stadium. This made Manchester City the 4th UK Premier League Football Club to have a Changing Places toilet for their disabled supporters and families following in the footsteps of Arsenal, Liverpool and Manchester City – all of which were Aveso projects as sponsors of the Changing Places campaign. Aveso are already working with other Premier League clubs to install Changing Places toilets and we hope that ALL Premier League clubs will show the same commitment in the coming months.”

Commenting on the Club’s progress, Disabled Access Officer, Dan Lovesy said:
“Manchester City prides itself on being inclusive and working with all our supporters to provide a safe and welcoming environment. We are delighted to have a changing places facility at the Etihad Stadium to ensure we cater for the needs of our supporters.”
The Detail

This facility is built in line with the British Standard BS:8300 Code of Practice Access to Buildings and is 12sqm to allow space for 2 carers and a large adult wheelchair and has the required specialist equipment including adjustable changing bench in team colours, ceiling track hoist and height adjustable wash basin as well as a fully accessible Doc M shower area for those who need to use one.

Following the lead of Liverpool FC and Manchester United, the electrically operated Mona mobile Changing Table was selected as it meant that team colours could be incorporated into the design – a unique offering from Aveso.

The OT200 Ceiling Hoist was installed into the facility as the XY track system maximizes the space in the room and gives access to all equipment therein.

In addition an accessible shower and adjustable wash basin were included to make the facility even more inclusive for those who need the extra assistance.

The Campaign

Changing Places is a campaign on behalf of people who cannot use standard accessible toilets. This includes people with profound learning disabilities, their carers, as well as other disabled people. They need Changing Places toilets with space and the right equipment- including a height adjustable changing table and a ceiling hoist.

Aveso are the official sponsors and equipment manufacturers of the Changing Places Campaign. Aveso have installed Ceiling Hoists, Adjustable Sinks and Changing Tables in Changing Places projects throughout the country, from libraries to universities to schools to public spaces.

As the official manufacturers of the Changing Places campaign, we offer a unique insight into the specified equipment ensuring a project is fully compliant and meets all of the Changing Places specifications as set out in the BS8300:2018.

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