

PE2138/D: Make publicly owned buildings accessible for people with colour blindness

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Thank you for forwarding the Scottish Government's response to PE2138. Whilst detailed it seemed more of a general review of colour blindness and building regulations than a response which addressed my concern.

However it gave information which was new to me, namely that British Standard BS8300 recommends, '...the principle of providing information for at least two senses in order to support people with different access requirements', and suggests signage as well as colour. The specific wording of British Standard BS6465 mentioned in the response is unequivocal on this issue. I gather BS8300 has been around for many years and I would like reassurance that the Scottish Government applies this standard when commissioning new buildings, considers helping those with colour blindness by making these small and inexpensive changes to existing government buildings and encourages other organisations and businesses to follow suit.