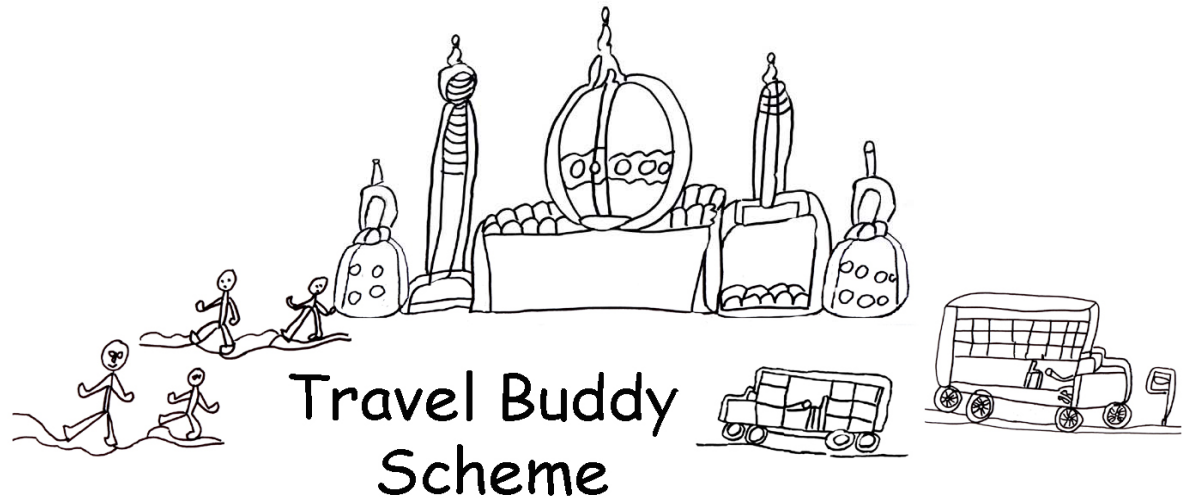




# Grace Eyre

- Offers support and services for people with learning disabilities to help them achieve their dreams and wishes.





- The scheme was set up in 2006 by Grace Eyre with the support of Speakout and the help of money from the Learning Disability Development Fund
- The scheme is run by Sarah, Toby and Nicola



# The Travel Buddy Team



# What does the Scheme do?

- Helps people with learning disabilities to travel independently and safely in Brighton and Hove with the support of a travel buddy.



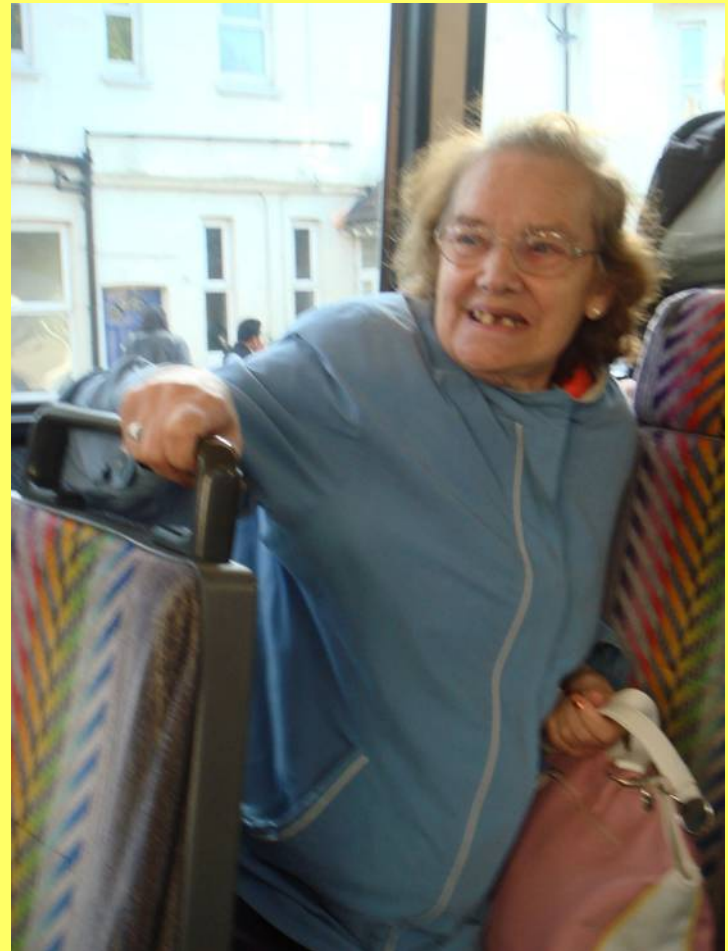
# Travel Training

## One to one travel training



# The Trainee

- Is a person with learning disabilities who attends the Grace Eyre Active Lives service
- Is a person who would like to be more independent



# Travel Buddy

- Volunteer with or without Learning disabilities
- Supports “trainees” to learn road safety skills



# The journeys

- Walking journeys
- Bus journeys



# Journeys

- *To Work*



# Journeys

- To College



# Journeys

- To see friends and enjoy leisure time



# Future Journeys

## Evening and weekend trips



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# Why is the Travel Buddy Scheme important?

- Freedom
- Independence
- Personal choice



# Current activities

- 10 members now travel completely independently
- The scheme currently has 20 Trainees and 17 Travel Buddies
- Promotional events, social lunches, safe havens.



# Future plans

- Recruit up to 20 more Travel Buddies
- Support up to 20 more Trainees
- Evening and weekend journeys
- New Travel Training programme
- Accessible bicycle scheme



# *What do Trainees and Travel Buddies think of the scheme?*

- *“I’d really like to go and see my friend but I can’t get there.” Peter C., Trainee.*
- *“I enjoy getting on the bus, showing bus id (and) bus ticket. I feel safe with my Travel buddy. I like to sit on the top (of the bus) it helps get me to work and feels safe. Good experience. Nice people at work” Lara.H, Trainee.*
- *“I like using the bus, but I’d be scared on my own.” Natalie C., Trainee.*



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