



Ceredigion Visual Impairment Services

Visual impairment services are available to assess people with a significant sight loss which cannot be rectified by wearing spectacles.

If you have a Visual Impairment that affects your day-to-day life, Social Care can provide an assessment of your needs and work with you, helping you to be as independent as possible. We may be able to offer the following services dependent on your assessed needs:

Rehabilitation Officer

-is specially trained in the area of visual impairment and works with people of all ages who have sight problems. They carry out specialist assessments, and provide information, advice and rehabilitation in connection with loss of sight

Mobility Training

-we can provide you with training to help you to get about more safely and independently, both indoors and outdoors

Low Vision Aids

-advice can be given to you on aids that are available for purchase such as magnifiers and Closed-Circuit TVs for reading etc. The worker may be able to demonstrate some equipment with you prior to purchase

Communication Aids and Training

-we can help you to extend the communication skills you already have and advise on aids such as large button telephones and high visibility pens

Talking Books and Newspapers

-we can arrange for these to be delivered to you

Loan of Equipment

-certain items of equipment can be loaned free of charge. An eligibility criteria needs to be met in order to access this equipment – the worker can discuss this with you during the assessment

Financial Benefits

-we can advise you about relevant benefits, and how to apply. The R.N.I.B. (Royal National Institute of Blind People) also have a national helpline that can provide advice - Telephone 0303 1239999

Registering as Sight Impaired and Severely Sight Impaired with the local authority once certified as such by the ophthalmic consultant- If you have not been registered or certified as sight impaired or severely sight impaired, but you are worried about your sight, you should discuss this with your eye Specialist or GP

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Penmorfa Centre for Independent Living

We also have a room in the PenMorfa Centre for Independent Living in Aberaeron. A space dedicated to providing information on living with Visual Impairment. There is an array of equipment and Technology on display to try out.



Located on the ground floor of the County Council's offices at Penmorfa, Aberaeron, SA46 0PA.
Open Mon- Friday 10:30- 15:30

