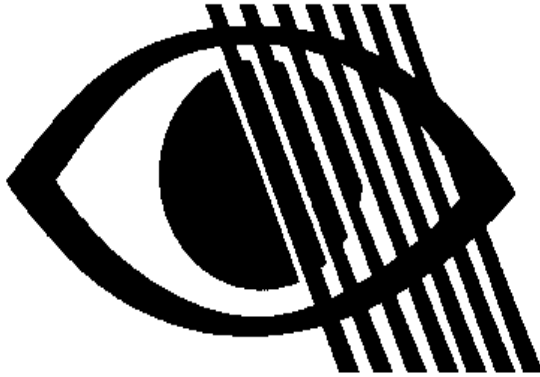


Social Care & Housing Department

Do you have poor vision?



**Information about services
available for people with
visual impairment**



**If you would like this
information in Braille,
audiotape or large print
please telephone**



01267 228925

**Information about services provided by
Carmarthenshire County Council can be found
on the council's website:**

www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk

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In Carmarthenshire there are a range of services available to help people with a sensory impairment keep as much independence and control over their lives as possible.

This leaflet tells you about these services and how to find out more about them.

What is Sensory Impairment?

Sensory impairment is the term used to describe disabilities such as:

- **Blindness/visual impairment**
- **Deaf/hearing impaired**
- **Deafblind (dual sensory impaired)**

If you have a visual impairment the following services may be of help to you:

Mobility Training - we can provide you with training to enable you to become a safe and independent traveller.

Daily Living Aids - there are aids available to help with tasks in the kitchen for example.

Low Vision Aids – aids such as magnifiers and Close Circuit TVs.

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.

Talking Books & Newspapers – we can arrange for these to be delivered to you.

Loan of Equipment - certain items of equipment can be loaned free of charge.

Financial Benefits – we can advise you about benefits and how to apply.

Registering as Visually Impaired – we can give you information about registering as a blind or partially sighted person. These registers help us to develop services and involve people who use these services in the planning stages. Our staff can advise further.

We will try to make sure that the help we provide will meet your individual needs.

How can I contact you?

You can contact our Rehabilitation Officers at the following Social Care offices:

**Cambrian Place
Carmarthen**

: **01267 224421**

**3 Crown Precinct
Llanelli**

: **01554 774951**

**Civic Buildings
Crescent Road
Llandeilo**

: **01558 825371**

We can give you further details about services and other organisations whose purpose is to help people with a sensory loss.

Information for people who are deaf or hard of hearing is also available from these offices.

Other organisations that can help include:

Carmarthenshire Blind Society 01554 821306

**RNIB (Royal National Institute for the Blind)
Cymru**

02920450440

Talking Newspapers

(Carmarthen) 01267 230527

(Llanelli) 01554 774352

Wales Council for the Blind

02920473954