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## **BLINDNESS AND VISUAL IMPAIRMENT**

The Social Services Department has a legal responsibility to keep an up-to-date register of blind and partially sighted people living in the county. The Department is made aware of these people on receipt of a copy of the **B.D.8 form**. Being included on the register is voluntary. But being registered may be a prerequisite for accessing some benefits, services and support from charitable organisations. The Social Services Department then has a duty to inform the person named of the services available to them. In most areas this will be done by a Specialist Worker. After assessment of need, relevant services (including rehabilitation training in mobility and daily living) and health and safety equipment may be provided, subject to Social Services eligibility and financial criteria. Alternatively, information may be given about services provided by other agencies, both local and national.

### **THE SENSORY IMPAIRMENT TEAM**

Provide a wide range of Specialist Social Work and Rehabilitation Services for people with a visual impairment. To get a referral for assistance from the team you need to call the

**Social Services Access Centre:**

**Website:** [www.worcestershire.gov.uk](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk)

**Telephone: 01905 768053**

**ROYAL NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE BLIND (RNIB)**

**Website:** [www.rnib.org.uk](http://www.rnib.org.uk)

**Helpline: 0300 123 9999**

**SIGHT CONCERN WORCESTERSHIRE**

(Formally **Worcestershire Association for the Blind – WAB**)

The Bradbury Centre, 2 Sansome Walk, Worcester WR1 1LH

**Website:** [www.sightconcern.co.uk](http://www.sightconcern.co.uk)

**Telephone: 01905 723245**

**BRITISH BLIND SPORT**

Organization enabling participation in sport.

**Website:** [www.britishblindsport.org.uk](http://www.britishblindsport.org.uk)

**Telephone: 01926 424247**

**GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND ASSOCIATION**

Burghfield Common, Reading RG7 3YG

**Email:** [guidedogs@guidedogs.org.uk](mailto:guidedogs@guidedogs.org.uk)

**Website:** [www.guidedogs.org.uk](http://www.guidedogs.org.uk)

**Telephone: 0118 983 5555**

**BRITISH RAIL - TRAVEL FOR DISABLED PASSENGERS**

Call National Rail Enquiries

**National Rail Enquiries Textphone** (for customers with hearing impairments):

**Website:** [http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/passenger\\_services/disabled\\_passengers](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/passenger_services/disabled_passengers)

**Telephone: 0345 484950**

**0845 6050600**

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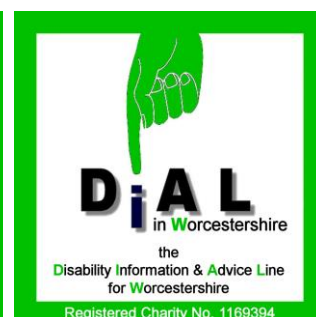
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Listening Books, 12 Lant Street, London SE1 1QH

Email: [info@listening-books.org.uk](mailto:info@listening-books.org.uk)

Website: [www.listening-books.org.uk](http://www.listening-books.org.uk)

## RNIB NEWSAGENTS

Telephone: 0303 123 9999

Email: [info@tnauk.org.uk](mailto:info@tnauk.org.uk)

Website: [www.tnauk.org.uk](http://www.tnauk.org.uk)

## TNF

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Email: [enquiries@tnf.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@tnf.org.uk)

Website: [www.tnf.org.uk](http://www.tnf.org.uk)

## LOCAL TALKING NEWSPAPERS

### EVESHAM TALKING NEWSPAPER

Telephone: 01386 422812

Website: [www.eveshamtalkingnewspaper.co.uk](http://www.eveshamtalkingnewspaper.co.uk)

### WYRE FOREST TALKING NEWSPAPER

Telephone: 07581 899977

Website: [www.wftn.org.uk](http://www.wftn.org.uk)

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