



The Gwynt y Môr (GYM) Community Fund is for the coastal areas of Conwy, Denbighshire and Flintshire. Gwynt y Môr is the world's fourth largest operating offshore wind farm. Vision Support is pleased to announce it has been awarded three years funding by GYM which will help improve services and support

local communities to be more inclusive for people with sight loss. The money will be used to strengthen existing services from the Prestatyn Sight Loss Centre which include raising awareness of preventable eye conditions and providing advice and information to people with sight loss, their friends, families, carers and other professionals. We will also be delivering in partnership 'Living With Sight Loss' courses and continuing our Active Inclusion Mentored Volunteer project, supporting individuals to volunteer, access training and gain future employment. The funding will also allow us to more effectively support campaigning and peer support groups, empowering individuals to lead the development of services. We will also get more connected with local communities, increasing our community outreach by providing short Vision Impairment awareness sessions to other organisations, retailers and employers and delivering talks and support to groups, so people with sight loss can participate more fully in a wider range of activities. Miriam Wright, Chief Executive of Vision Support said "We are very grateful to the Gwynt Y Mor Community Fund which will help support people with sight loss to have a voice and get more involved in their local communities". If you or anyone you know, would like to get involved by volunteering for Vision Support, please contact us on 01244 381515.

Neil Pringle, Gwynt y Môr's Grants Manager was fully supportive of the initiative stating " This project clearly reflects the ethos of the GYM programme. The fund is focused on improving our coastal communities by building strong and sustainable communities, encouraging training, employment and economic growth and most importantly reducing poverty and inequality. This project addresses each of these priorities. We wish Vision Support every success in the delivery of this innovative project".