

Hello all, my name is Lowri Bartrum, I am the new CEO replacing Miriam Wright who has led Vision Support for 17 years. Over the coming weeks, I will be spending time with Miriam so that I can learn as much as I can about the organisation before her retirement. I want to take this opportunity on behalf of all involved in the organisation to say a huge Thank you to Miriam for all of her hard work and commitment to Vision Support over the years, having spent time with a few people so far, I know that she will be missed.

Going forward, I am looking forward to meeting you and leading the organisation as we move further beyond the pandemic. We will be seeking to discover the direction that Stakeholders want the charity to move forward in over the next 6 months and your views and perspectives will be welcome.

If you would like to speak to Vision Support please call us on 01244 381515 or email information@visionsupport.org.uk

# **Cheshire Sight Loss Information Survey**

Help **NHS England**, **Vision Support** and **East Cheshire Eye Society** improve information for people living with a vision impairment in Cheshire. Take part in a survey and you will be offered the chance to take part in a **Prize Draw** to win an Alexa or One Cup Kettle.

Call 01244 381515 or email information@visionsupport.org.uk to request a paper copy of the survey and a free return envelope, or to complete the survey on the telephone with one of our friendly staff.

The survey can also be completed online <a href="http://">http://</a>

visionsupport.org.uk/surveys/

Your responses will help us Improve information for people with sight loss in Cheshire. The survey should be completed by 1st August 2022.





### **HumanWare Event Day Chester**

The next event day Vision Support are hosting is with HumanWare on Wednesday the 6th of July at The Bluecoat, Upper Northgate Street, Chester, CH1 4EE between 10.00am and 2.00pm.

Come and meet HumanWare's representative Steve Edwards who will be demonstrating HumanWare's diverse range of low vision products including the Hark Reader. This is also an opportunity for you to try the new three in one Explore 12 with writing stand.

Which is a full HD image quality magnifier has a 12- inch touchscreen for improved near and distance viewing.



### **Eye 2 Eye Flintshire**

Eye 2 Eye are a small stand-alone charity social club run completely by volunteers, for registered vision impaired people living in Flintshire.

Eye 2 Eye meet every Wednesday at St Andrews Community Hub in Garden City from 10.30am to 1.30pm. The group organise crafts, games, and quizzes for their members to take part in or arrange guest speakers and entertainers and arrange trips out.

Pauline one of the Eye 2 Eye volunteers states "There's always a warm welcome and a cup of tea\coffee and at lunch time chippy dinner or one of the many hot cooked meals we have delivered to us. Most of our members live alone and look forward to our meetings people who were strangers have now become good friends.

We do try to provide subsidised transport, door to door as we know how difficult it is for some to get to our club. We would love some new members to come and join our club so if you know anyone vision impaired, please tell them about us. "For more Information please call Pauline on 01244 810567 or you can email Pauline at pauline-ellis@outlook.com

# **Community Information Service**

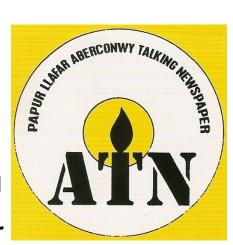
Below are some of the visits we have planned for July with the Community Information Service. The full schedule can be found on our website, www.visionsupport.org.uk or if you would like to sign up to the email mailing list to receive the full schedule each month please call us on 01244 381515 or email information@visionsupport.org.uk

Wednesday 6th Kingswood Kingsway 10.00am -12.00pm Wednesday 6th **Blacon Library** 1.00pm—3.00pm Thursday 7th Widnes Market 10.00am—3.00pm Thursday 7th Y Maes Car Park, Pwllheli 10.30am - 2.30pm Friday 8th Green Lane Car Park, Corwen 10.30am - 2.30pm Monday 11th Rhos on Sea by TIC 10.00am - 2.30pm Tuesday 12th Bellis Bros, Holt 10.30am - 2.30pm Friday 15th Prestatyn Library (Talking Point) 10.00am - 2.30pm Sunday 17th Asda, Kinmel Bay 10.00am - 2.30pm Monday 18th Morrisons, Rhyl 10.00am - 2.30pm Tuesday 19th Co-op Runcorn Old Town 10.00am - 3.00pm Wednesday 20th Widnes Market Community Stall 10.00am - 3.00pm Thursday 21st Ellesmere Port Market Car Park 10.00am 3.00pm Sunday 24th Morrisons, Holyhead 10.30am - 2.30pm Monday 25th Llandudno Prom by Cenotaph 10.00am - 2.30pm Tuesday 26th Waverton Shops 10.00am - 12.00pm Tuesday 26th Barbour Institute Tattenhall 1.00pm - 3.00pm Tuesday 26th Morrisons, Caernarfon 10.30am - 2.30pm Please note that the schedule can be subject to last minute changes.

### **Aberconwy Talking News**

Aberconwy Talking News have taken the decision that this service will be ceasing at the end of this year.

We are sad to see another Talking Newspaper closing, but technology such as Amazon Echos with the talking newspaper app seems to be taking their place if you would like to know how to access your news by other means please get in touch with us on 01244 381515 or you can email us at information@visionsupport.org.uk and one of our digital skills team can talk to you about the various ways you can access your news and media.



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#### **Vision Support Membership**

We would like to thank all of you who have supported Vision Support over the years by paying an annual membership fee or by contributing to the Life Membership Scheme.

All of your contributions have enabled us to continue to provide much needed services within the local communities.

If you would like to become a member or continue with your annual membership, please complete the relevant section of the application form enclosed and return it to Chester Head Office, together with your payment of £5.00.

If you decide that you would like to contribute towards the Life Membership Scheme please complete the relevant section of the application form on the reverse of this note and return it to the Chester Resource Centre together with your payment of £25.00.