

HARTLEPOOL BOROUGH COUNCIL

MEDICAL SERVICES

Ophthalmic Services are provided at:

Hartlepool General Hospital

Holdforth Road

HARTLEPOOL

by Consultants from Sunderland Eye Infirmary.

A monthly Low Vision Clinic by referral from Consultants by Mr. G. Smith is held on the first Monday of each month.

Action for Blind People attends the Low Vision Clinics to deliver Advice and Information to service users.

Sunderland Eye Infirmary

Queen Alexander Road

SUNDERLAND, SR2 9HP

Telephone 0191 565256 Fax 0191 5699060

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SOCIAL SERVICES

Carol Keay
Team Manager (acting)
Physical Disability & Sensory Loss Team
Social Services Department
Havelock Centre
1 Havelock Street
HARTLEPOOL, TS24 7LT
Telephone 01429 869028

See Voluntary Services for Talking Newspapers etc.

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VOLUNTARY SERVICES

The Hartlepool Blind Welfare Association
Avenue Road
HARTLEPOOL, TS24 8BB
Chief Administrator:
Mrs. E. O'Rourke
Telephone 01429 272494

Within the Centre is a Resource Centre containing equipment including a CCTV, Eezi reader/writer, Braille/Moon machines and typewriters. Lessons are offered in computer skills. There is a large display of aids and equipment applicable for the visually impaired and many items are held in stock or orders can be placed. We also produce Braille, Tape & Large Print materials (price on application). We hold classes in daily living, handicrafts, arrange social activities, holidays and provide transport we also operate a comprehensive home visiting service. We produce a fortnightly newspaper and Awareness Training is provided by Statutory & Voluntary Organisations. We act as agents for British Wireless for the Blind Fund.

Torch Fellowship Groups see Page 108

Talking Newspapers

The Hartlepool Recorder
(see The Hartlepool Blind Welfare Association)