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LVC is committed to making a difference to the lives of blind and partially sighted people. If you would like more details of how we can help you, contact:

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## Action for Blind People

Registered Charity Number: 205913 (England and Wales) SC040050 (Scotland)

### The Wilberforce Trust

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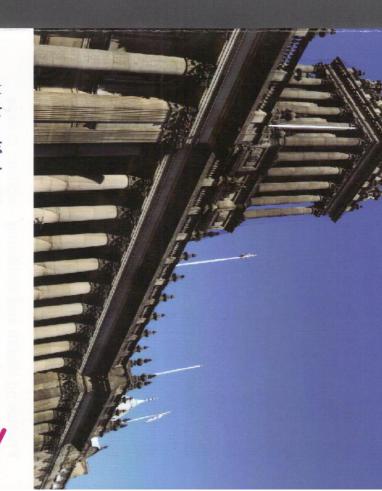
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#### Leeds Vision Consortium

A powerful partnership delivering services for blind and partially sighted adults and those with dual sensory loss, living in Leeds



Making life better
Wilberforce
when sight is worse



# Action for Blind People and The Wilberforce Trust now operate a joint service

The Leeds Vision Consortium (LVC) assists adults who are blind and partially sighted or have dual sensory loss, living in Leeds.

Both Action and The Wilberforce Trust have a long track record of delivering services for severely sight impaired and sight impaired people, provided by teams of specialists. We have now combined our expertise to offer the following services:

**Independent Living Service** – offers information and advice on practical solutions to promote independent living.

**Employment Service** – provides help finding a job, starting up a new business or staying in employment when faced with sight loss.

Eye Clinic Service – diagnosis of an eye condition can be hard to come to terms with, so our service is designed to offer immediate help. Experienced staff provide instant access to practical information.

**Promoting Health and Wellbeing** – working to raise awareness of visual impairment and dual sensory needs, promoting eye health to groups and individuals.

**Transitions Service** – to support younger people (mainly 17 to 25 year olds) in their transition from school to college, employment or training.

Assistive Technology Service – offering advice and practical support to enable people wishing to use technology to communicate more effectively and to interact with others at home and in the workplace.

**Dual Sensory Loss Service** – delivering specialised services for people who have both hearing and visual impairment (dual sensory loss) provided by our highly trained and experienced team, which includes guide communicators. To ensure the right expertise is available to meet the needs of all current service users, Sense will work with LVC to provide the Dual Sensory Loss Service.

**Volunteer Development** – supported by specialist staff our volunteers help us to deliver some services; including facilitating social groups and our befriending service.

Community outreach programme (Living with sight loss) – delivering practical information and advice sessions to those who are newly diagnosed with an eye condition, from a range of community locations around the city.

**Drop in Centre** – a quick and easy way to access Leeds Vision Consortium services and gather information and advice, receive assistance with completing forms, view useful everyday living equipment and collect publications from other local services.