

Tameside Vision Impairment Team

Who are we?

The Vision Impairment (VI) Service supports with the needs of children with vision impairments in Tameside. The team provides practical advice and strategies to families, schools and other settings about all aspects of reduced functional vision and its impact on children's educational, social and emotional development.



How does a child or referred for young person get support?

You can refer directly into the service via telephone or email if you have any questions or concerns regarding a child's vision. Many of the referrals are taken from schools, parents, the eye hospitals and a range of different professionals.

What is a Visual Impairment?

Visual impairment or low vision is a reduction in vision that cannot be corrected with standard glasses or contact lenses and reduces a person's ability to function at certain or all tasks.

For those students without a confirmed diagnoses your GP would be able to refer you to the orthoptist/ophthalmology department.



Working in partnership

We liaise with professionals such as Orthoptists, Ophthalmologists, Integrated Services for Children with Additional Needs (ISCAN), Pupil Support Services, Portage, Educational Psychologists and other agencies.

What people say about us

2024 Feedback

They have been a big part of his life and helped him to grow both academically and personally.

The advice given has greatly supported the teacher and the child who requires the VI service'

We have learnt so much from the VI team

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