

# Rehabilitation and Advice Support for Blind and Visually Impaired People Engagement Questionnaire

Thank you for agreeing to take part in today's questionnaire. Your responses to our questions will let us know your opinion and what is important to you. Your answers will help us to improve opportunities and support for people to live independently and well with Blindness and Visual Impairment.

The survey will take between fifteen to twenty minutes to complete. We are asking for general data about you such as age or gender, but we will not ask for any personal identifiers such as name, date of birth or address. Completing these questions and returning them to us shows your consent to take part in the engagement exercise on the understanding that we will record no personally identifiable data.

## **Information and Advice:**

1. How easy or difficult has it been to find information and advice on visual impairment?

- Very easy
- Fairly easy
- Neither easy nor difficult
- Fairly difficult
- Very difficult
- Not tried to find

2. If you looked for information or advice, where did you find it?

- Sight Support Derbyshire
- Derbyshire County Council
- Macular Society
- Library
- GP Surgery
- Hospital
- Facebook
- Other Health Venue
- Royal National Institute for the Blind
- Other

3. Was the information in an accessible format or useful?

- Yes
- No

Please tell us why

4. What support or equipment have you been given to help with your visual impairment or sight loss? *(For example: certificate for visual impairment; links to groups or activities or events; equipment to help maintain independence; rehabilitation; long-cane training or other mobility; home visit; other) (Equipment: walking cane, liquid level indicator, talking tin lid or other kitchen equipment, bump-ons (raised stickers for appliances to help turn items on or off), colour contrast mats, items to help with writing or signing letters; talking clocks or watches)*

5. How has the support helped you improve or maintain your independence? *(For example: feel better in yourself; met other people; managed better at home managed job; managed better in the community)*

## Equipment

6. Which pieces of equipment have you found most useful for keeping your independence and why?

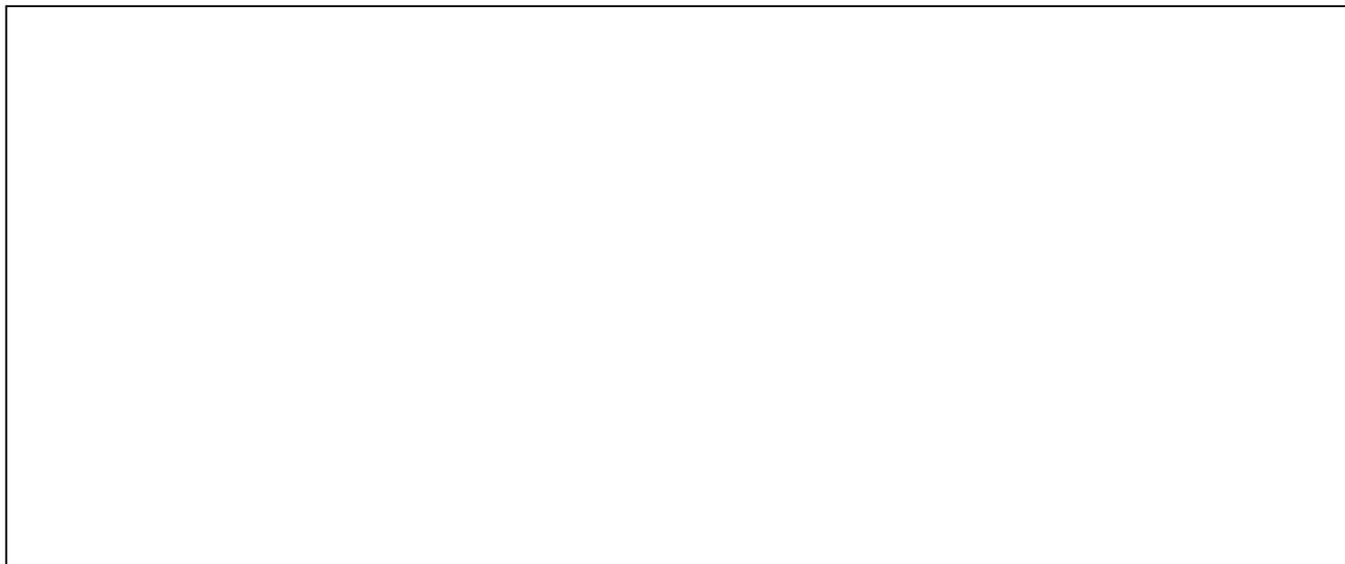
7. Have you purchased additional equipment yourself?

Yes  No

If no, please skip to question 9

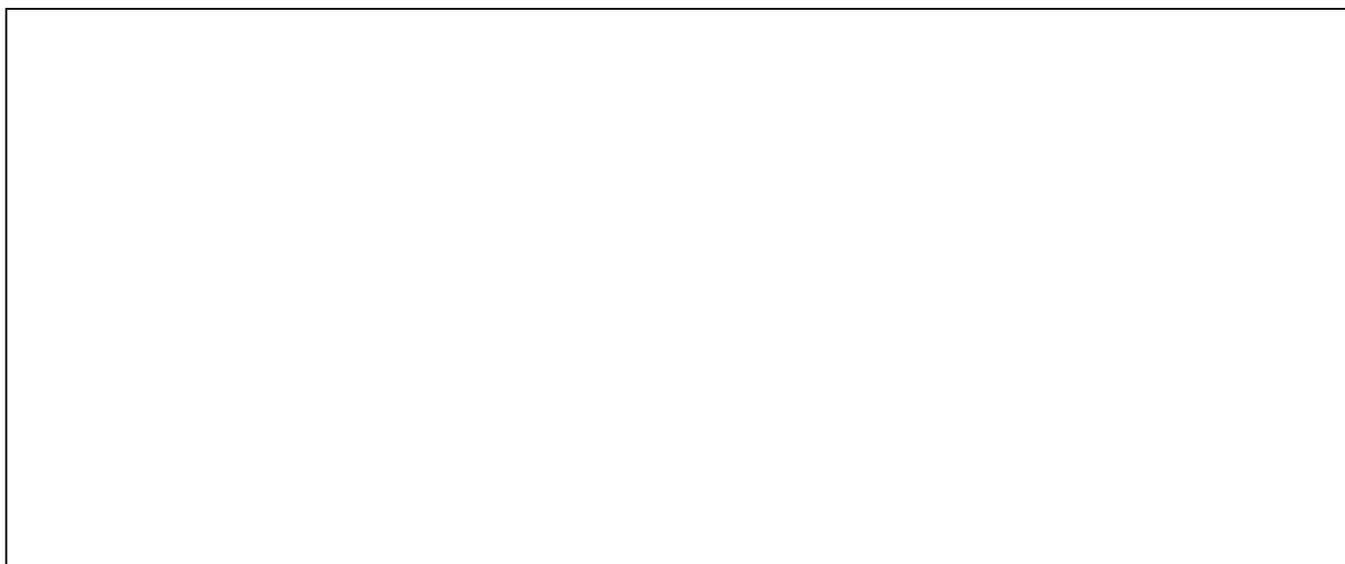
8. What did you buy and how does this help you in ways that the provided equipment doesn't?

9. Do you have other equipment preferences or needs which aren't currently provided for?

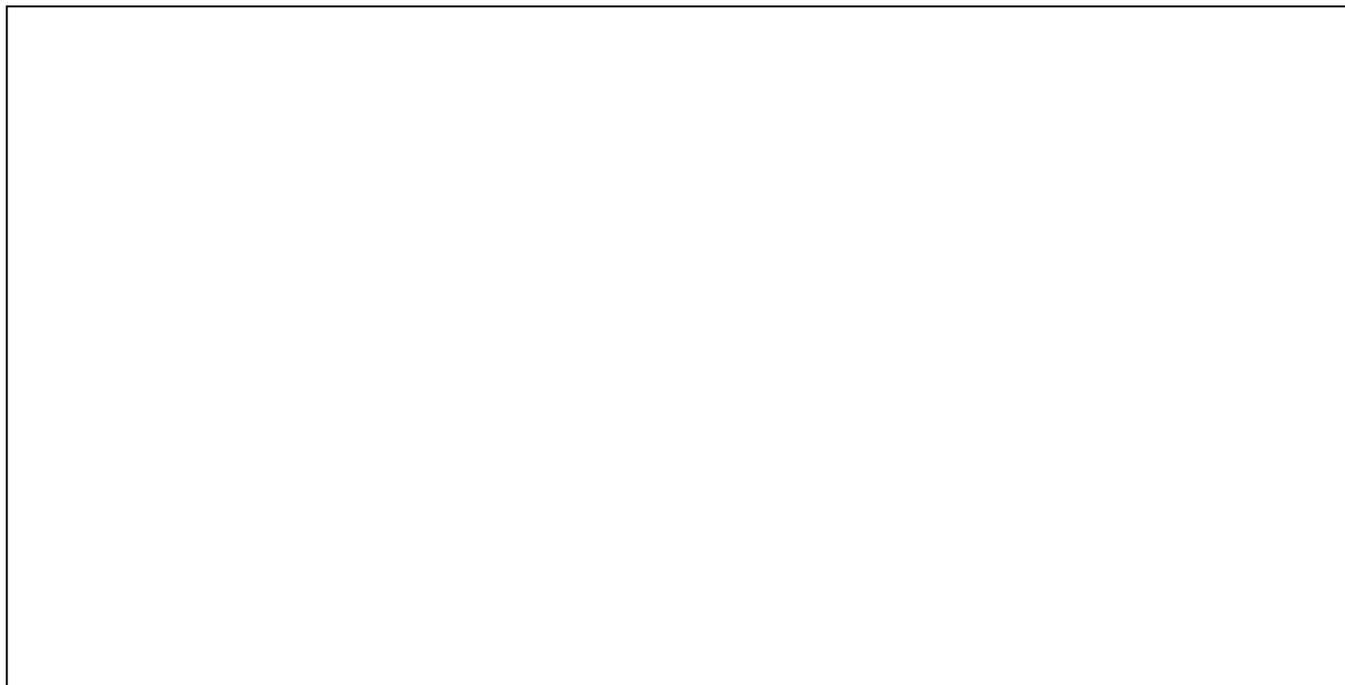


**Having your say:**

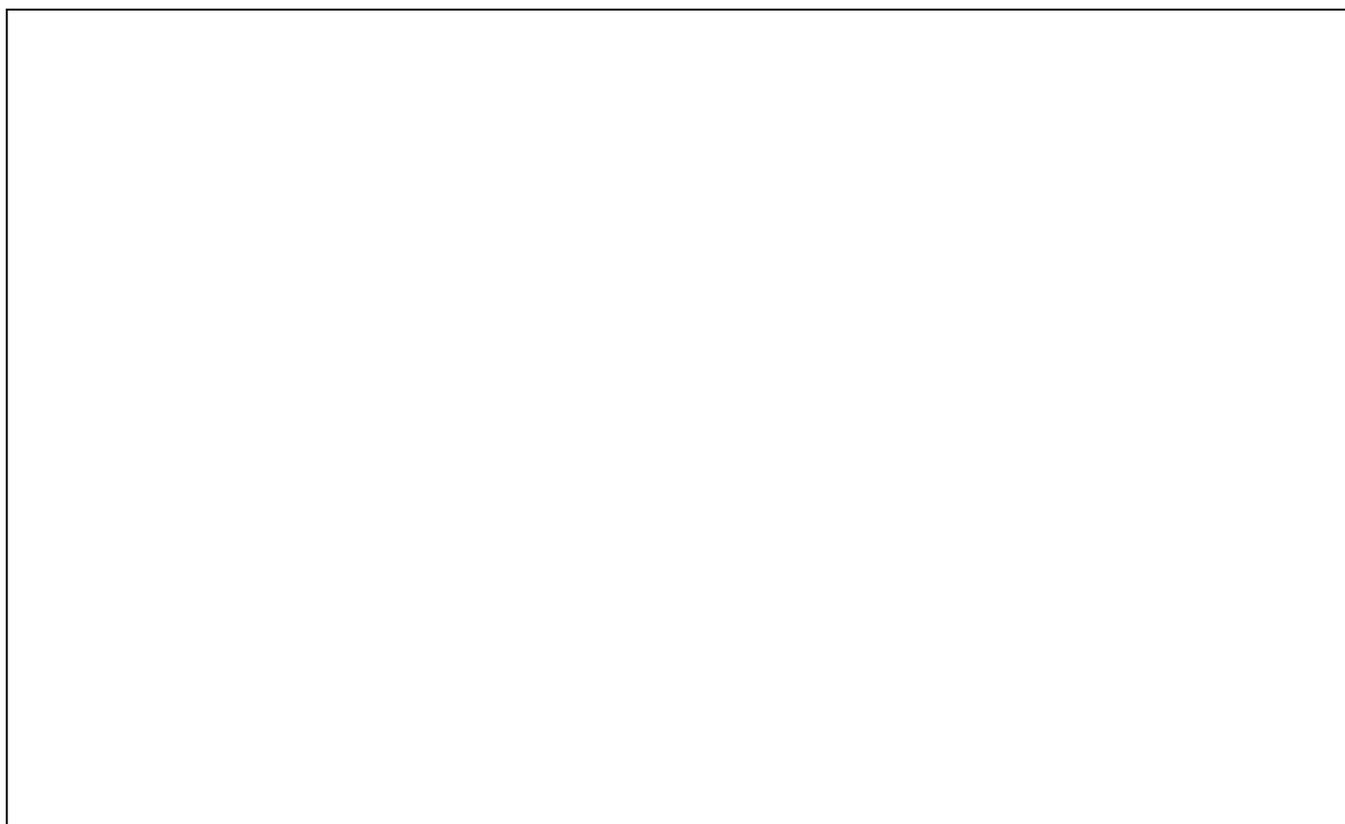
10. What are the most useful aspects of the current Visual Impairment support offer and why?



11. What are the least useful aspects of the current Visual Impairment support offer and why?



12. How could the current Visual Impairment support offer be developed to better meet your needs?



**The last section is information about you:**

13a Which of the following describes how you think of yourself?

- Female
- Male
- In any other way

13b What was your age at your last birthday?

13c What is your postcode?

13d Which of the following best describes you:

- I am Sight Impaired / Partially Sighted
- I am Severely Sight Impaired / Blind
- I am Deafblind
- Other (please specify):

13e Which best describes your current living situation:

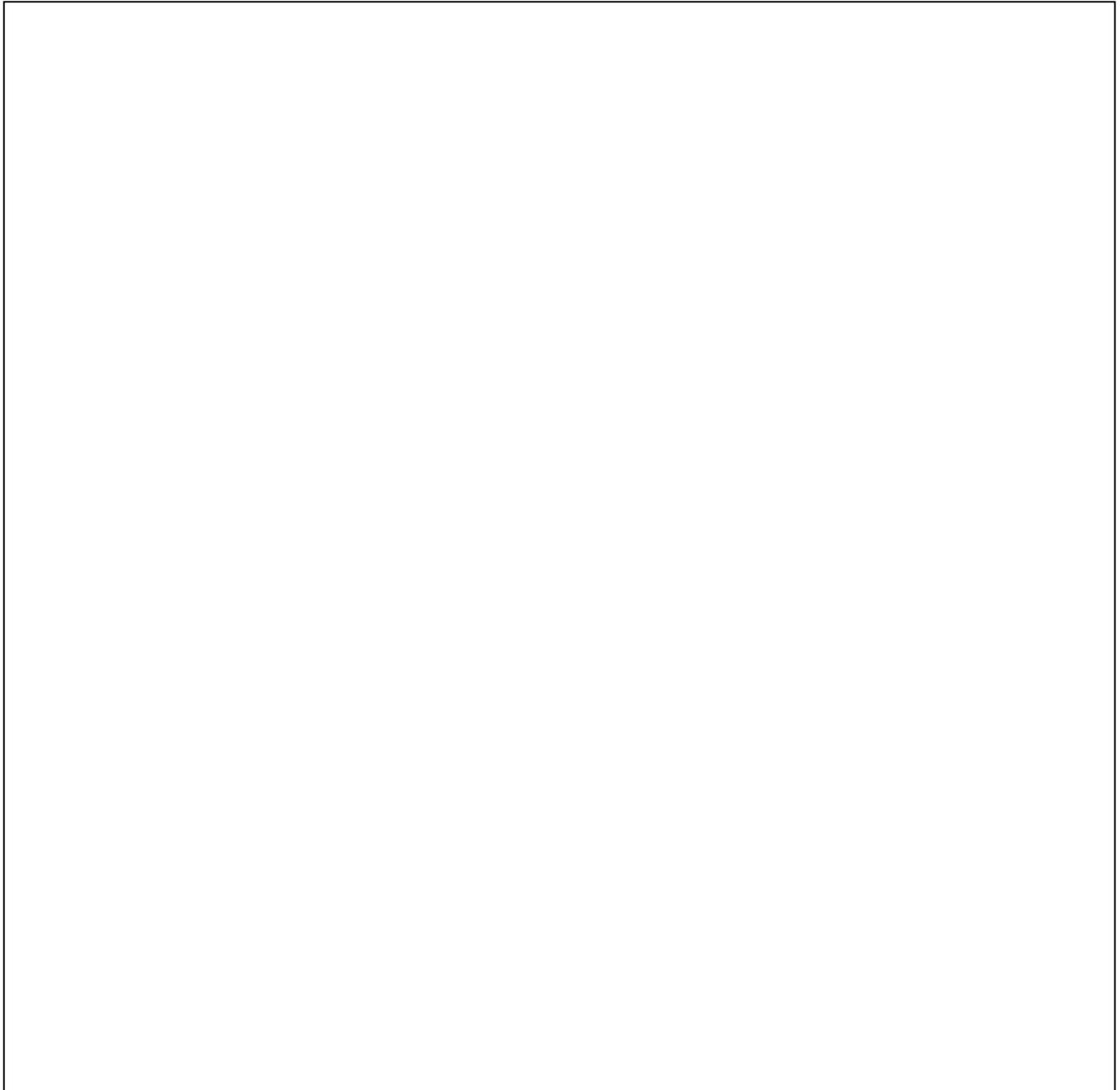
- I live on my own
- I live with family / friends / a carer
- Other

13f Which ethnic origin best describes you

- Asian or Asian British
- Black or Black British
- Mixed
- White British
- White other
- Chinese
- Other ethnic group

This is the end of the questionnaire.

Do you have any questions you would like to ask, or any additional comments you would like to make?

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the respondent to write any questions or additional comments.

Thank you very much for your time and support in helping to shape our future approach