



# Staffordshire Sight Loss

**Newsletter October/ November 2018**

Thank you for signing up for our newsletter. Over the past couple of months we have had some fantastic speakers and activities at our Hanley Social Group including a talk from historian Mervyn Edwards, Candle Making with Sandy from Spiral Crafts, a talk by Staffordshire Fire and Rescue and Mika from Art Brasil visited in September and had us all demonstrating our musical talents on the Drums (photograph of Mika below with some colourful drums and other instruments)



If you would like to attend the group which is held twice a month on a Wednesday morning from 10.30 til 12.30 in the

JRR Tolkien Room at Hanley Library then please come along, booking is not necessary. It is a friendly group of all ages, we ask for a £1 donation per session to contribute towards refreshments.

**Join us on the following Wednesdays:**

<b>November 7th:</b>	Andrew Farrell: Guide Dogs Services
<b>November 21st:</b>	Gentle Exercise class (Delivered by Art Brazil)
<b>December 5th:</b>	Christmas Decoration Craft Class
<b>December 19th:</b>	Christmas Celebration

Further dates will be announced in the next newsletter

**Newcastle Social Group**

We are in the process of setting up a new social group in Newcastle under Lyme town centre and hope to update you of dates and a venue in our next newsletter.

**Advice and Information**

Our Chair and Community Support Worker Suzanne is taking a couple of months off as she has had a baby (Baby Arthur was born on 7th October) and so if you need any advice, information or help with forms etc. then home visits are being temporarily suspended during that time. If you do need any support over the coming months then please still get in touch with us on 07931 327 018 or by email at [suzanne.roberts001@gmail.com](mailto:suzanne.roberts001@gmail.com) and we will do our best to give advice and information and where needed, to try to find an alternative service that may be able to help you.

We will update you shortly on when home visits will recommence

## **Volunteering**

Do you have any free time to spare?

Would you like to meet new people and to learn new skills?

If so, have you considered volunteering?

We have a variety of volunteer roles available, training will be given & travel expenses provided. Contact us for more information.



## **Find us on Social Media**

Look us up on twitter @SightLossStaffs

We are also on Facebook, search for Staffordshire Sight Loss Association where we now also have a closed group for sharing ideas and engaging in conversation.

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