Vision, Hearing and Mobility Help in East Dunbartonshire Libraries

East Dunbartonshire Libraries are working hard to make library services, events and resources accessible to everyone. We remove barriers to library services for people with permanent or temporary disabilities. This means that for library users with visual impairment, we can provide large print books, audio books on CD, cassette tapes or MP3, as well as magnification or scanning aids to help read documents and to use the computers in the library learning suites. In each library we have a Penfriend device to assist users to choose books independently.

The equipment is spread through a number of libraries, but if a particular item is not at your local library ask a member of staff and it may be possible to supply it.
KEYBOARDS

- Ergonomic Keyboard

Purpose
- More comfortable to use

Target User
- RSI sufferers/lack of manual dexterity
Ergonomic Split Keyboard

Purpose:
Split angle allows adjustment to need and comfort of the user.

Target User:
RSI sufferers/lack of manual dexterity.
Big Keys Keyboards

Purpose

Large keyboards

Target User

Visual impairment sufferers and certain kinds of learning difficulties e.g. dyslexic/movement problems

Big keys keyboard – Qwerty Black on Yellow Upper Case
**Keyboards**

- **Big Keys Keyboards**
  - Purpose: Large keyboards
  - Target User: Visual impairment sufferers and certain kinds of learning difficulties e.g. dyslexic/movement problems
  - Big keys keyboard – Qwerty White on Black Upper Case
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KEYBOARDS

- Cherry Compact keyboard and guard

**Purpose**

Laptop size keyboard allows use on tray of wheelchair. Guard allows accuracy for users with tremor

**Target User**

Visual impairment sufferers and certain kinds of learning difficulties e.g. dyslexic/movement problems
ALTERNATIVE TO MICE

- Kidtrac Mouse

**Purpose**
Gives support and uses movement differently from mouse

**Target User**
RSI sufferers/lack of manual dexterity/motor impairment
ALTERNATIVE TO MICE

- Big track Tracker Ball Mouse

**Purpose**
Gives support and uses movement differently from mouse

**Target User**
RSI sufferers/lack of manual dexterity/motor impairment
MISCELLANEOUS

- Wristrest

Purpose

Encourages a neutral wrist position to help relieve hand and wrist fatigue and discomfort

Target User

RSI sufferers/lack of manual dexterity/motor impairment
Flat Screen Monitors

Purpose
Flat screen monitors have better legibility

Target User
Mainly visual impairment
Adjustable PC work stations

**Purpose**
- Adjusts to different heights

**Target User**
- Wheelchair users
ScannaR is a flat-bed scanner that will scan any text document and read it back to you in seconds.

Target User
Those with visual impairment and certain kinds of learning difficulties.
ScannaR

**Purpose**
Low vision auto-reader. Will capture an image of whatever is on the viewing table and rearranges it to fit on the screen.

**Target User**
Those with visual impairment such as macular degeneration/diabetic retinopathy/cataracts/glaucoma.
MISCELLANEOUS

- **Penfriend**

  **Purpose**
  - Audio labeller

  **Target User**
  - Those with visual impairment and certain kinds of learning difficulties
SOFTWARE

- Supernova

Purpose:
Speech/magnification software

Target User:
Mainly visual impairment
Jaws software

Purpose
Screen Reader

Target User
Mainly visual impairment
SOFTWARE

- Jaws software

**Purpose**

Speech to text software

**Target User**

Mainly visual impairment
Dolphin software

Purpose: Screen reader

Target User: Mainly visual impairment
How accessibility equipment and software can help you

- Can’t see the keyboard?
  Large print keyboards in several colour combinations are available for use in every library

- Having trouble hitting only one key at a time?
  Keyboards with key guards are available for use in every library

- Dislike the colours on the screen?
  You can use the windows accessibility options to select either a default high contrast scheme or one of your own design

- Can’t see what’s on the screen?
  Software is available to enlarge the image as much as you want on designated pc’s, or staff are happy to assist you with magnification

- Are you left handed?
  Left handed mice are available in every library

- Don’t like using a mouse?
  You can use a tracker ball instead