



Infosound

(script – spoken English)

Infosound produces information that can help daily living with sight loss; it's all in audio and specifically for blind and partially-sighted people in Great Britain.

Infosound provides original information on a very broad range of subjects, such as daily-living products, leisure and holidays, social opportunities, hobbies and sport, mobility and travel, housing, employment and training, money, consumer issues and benefits, support services, news stories and events. They also broadcast vision-impaired people's hints, tips, items of information, comments and appeals for items to buy and for sale.

As well as talking about subjects that are relevant to the whole of Great Britain, they also feature regional and local services, events and information.

Infosound is broadcast around-the-clock, so you can listen whenever it suits you. But the most recent audio items they've produced can also be browsed individually on-demand – so you choose what you want to hear. Both services can be browsed and heard using any standard landline phone, on a computer, a laptop, a tablet, a smart mobile phone and even on Amazon voice-controlled devices; and Infosound can also be heard on some specialist audio players.

Because the information Infosound produces is being updated every couple of days or so – maybe daily – posting out a monthly CD or USB memory stick is not an option for them. But Infosound wants to make sure they can be heard by vision-impaired people of all ages and technical awareness. So, for example, everything they produce can be heard on any standard landline phone, with the telephone's keypad being used just like an audio player's controls to navigate, select, listen and even control the playback of the sound. Both their constantly-rolling broadcast and the associated "Infosound Select" on-demand service can be heard in this way.

Infosound has produced a free, non-returnable CD that gives examples of what the service sounds like and explains about the different ways to listen. And if you'd like a copy, you can phone Infosound on 03000 111 555 – that's 03000 111 555 – or they can be emailed at info@infosound.org.uk.

And, if you have Internet access, you can find out more – and, of course, take a listen – at www.infosound.org.uk.