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have a physical or sensory disability

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Editorial

Welcome to the Summer edition of Viewpoint!

In 1995 it seemed such a long time to 2004 when the sections of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) which deal with access would come into force.

Now here we are at the half way stage of 2003 and there has not been much obvious evidence to suggest that Stockport is way ahead of neighbouring authorities in implementing all the DDA.

There are just over six months to go to 2004 and if the upheavals all over Stockport are anything to go by maybe all will be well as we go into the next year.

However, we appeal to all Disability Stockport members and Viewpoint readers to take advantage of the warmer, brighter days to get involved with the people who make decisions to ensure that disabled people are kept on the agenda.

When you are out and about take note of your surroundings and let us know about the problems you encounter.

Disability Stockport is still looking for people to help research a guide to accessible leisure venues in the town. Get in touch with us to offer to help or just to tell us what you find when you go out and about in Stockport. There is so much to do and so little time to do it in.

We want the bouquets and we want the brickbats!
Let's start rattling cages in earnest!

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Moved house? Changed jobs? Changed your name?

Help us to keep your details
up to date call us on

0161 480 7248.

If you have news, ideas,
events or other information
which you would like
included

**Send your information in
by 15 July 2003**

LEYFIELD PRIMUS NEWS

Good News for Leyfield Primus Disability Stockport signs contract with Social Services to keep Leyfield Primus open

We have various activities going on throughout the week, for example, Crafts, Embroidery, Painting, Model Making, Cookery, Exercises, Computers, Gardening which the members enjoy doing when they come to the centre. We also have an Aromatherapist and a Manicurist who come into the centre.

We have been fortunate to have a scooter from Shopmobility Stockport, and the loan of another to allow our members to be able to enjoy the facilities of Romiley. Also Disability Stockport have donated a power chair to Leyfield Primus. We are very grateful to have these, as they will make a great deal of difference to the lives of the members at the Leyfield Primus and we can go out and about.

The staff and volunteers play a big part in the day-to-day running of the centre. If you have any spare time, and would like to be a volunteer, please give us a ring and have a chat to someone, we would be grateful for your help and support.

By Carol Adams

See the Notice Board on page 16 for details of the next Open Afternoon!

Leyfield Primus Have you got your vouchers yet?

Since 1 April 2003 social workers are able to make referrals and anyone using the voucher scheme will be able to use vouchers to pay for the service.

Leyfield Primus, a day centre, is located in the centre of Romiley, and is a ground floor, fully accessible building with a large room which is used for individual and group activities and a smaller room for crafts and cookery. **It is open Monday to Friday 9.30 am to 3.30 pm.** It offers a service to disabled people aged 18 – 65 whose disability is predominantly physical or sensory. Most people who currently use the service are over 30 years old.

A wide programme of leisure and social activities is offered, both on the premises and outside. Members of Leyfield Primus make the decisions about their own interests and what is most suited to their wants and aspirations through the Member Management Group.

If you would like to join us at the Leyfield Primus talk to your social worker about how to get a voucher to come, or you can come as a private member if you do not fit Social Services criteria.

Ring your social worker or ring us on 0161 430 2891.

TRANSPORT AND MOBILITY

Disability Stockport Transport and Access Forum

Your chance to become involved or influence the Transport Strategy

The next two meetings are:

Wednesday 11 June 2003 at 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Wednesday 9 July 2003 at 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

at

Disability Stockport

16 Meyer Street

Cale Green

Stockport SK3 8JE

Telephone/fax/textphone us on 0161 480 7248

E-mail disabilitystockport@btinternet.com

Transport

The public transport system is largely inaccessible to the vast majority of disabled people. Currently, no regulations or deadlines apply to existing rolling stock and transport providers still remain exempt from Part III of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA). This means that disabled people can still be discriminated against.

The importance of extending the DDA to car hire and breakdown recovery services cannot be underestimated. The private car is a vital mode of transport for many disabled people yet they are currently left with no back-up system and are potentially at risk when things go wrong.

Parking also remains a problem. The government recognises that elements of the Blue Badge Parking Scheme have been undermined as a result of abuse and lack of enforcement, and have given a commitment to re-establish the effectiveness of the scheme through regulations. Pavement parking remains largely unchecked, also through lack of enforcement.

You can make a difference. Come and have a say in what goes on in Stockport!

Phone us at anytime on 0161 480 72 48 (telephone, fax or textphone)

E-mail us on: disabilitystockport@btinternet.com



BENEFITS



GOOD NEWS

FOR

HOSPITAL IN-PATIENTS

The Chancellor announced in his budget that with immediate effect, pensioners and working age claimants in hospital would continue to receive their full state pension or certain benefit for hospital stays of 52 weeks or less.

The main benefits that are affected are:

Income Support	Housing Benefit
Council Tax Benefit	Retirement Pension
Incapacity Benefit	Widow's Pension
Jobseeker's Allowance	Widow's Allowance
Widower's Pension	Bereavement Allowance
Widowed Parent's Allowance	Severe Disablement Allowance
Pension Credit (from 6/10/03)	

If you have been in hospital for six weeks or more you may already have had your benefit reduced, however, this will be restored.

For more information contact Heron House on 0161 429 2000.

WARNING!

Disability Living Allowance and Attendance Allowance are not affected by this change and will stop if you are in hospital for four weeks or more. You must inform the Disability Benefits Centre when you enter and leave hospital.

For further information or advice ring:

Welfare Rights on 0161 474 3091 Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 1.00 pm.

**PENSION SERVICE DROP-IN INFORMATION AND ADVICE SURGERIES ON
Retirement Pension, Minimum Income Guarantee,
Pension Credit and Winter Fuel Payments**

WHERE?

Age Concern, 8 Lower Hillgate, Stockport
**Adswood and Bridgehall Information
& Advice Service**, ABC Partnership Office
9 Cuddington Crescent, Bridgehall

Adswood Community Centre,
213 Garners Lane, Adswood

WHEN?

Mondays 10.00 am – 12.30 pm
First & Third Tuesdays in the month
10.00 am – 12 noon

Second & Fourth Tuesdays in the
month 10.00 am – 12 noon

TRADING STANDARDS ADVICE

Faulty Goods? Your New Rights

When you buy goods from a retailer you have certain rights. The law has just been strengthened to give consumers a better chance to get things sorted out when a problem occurs. The Sale of Goods Act 1979 (as amended) says that the goods you buy should be:

- ◆ accurately described (eg if it says 100% wool it should be 100% wool),
- ◆ of satisfactory quality (taking account of the description and the price), and
- ◆ they must be fit for their usual purpose

If goods do not meet these criteria you have rights against the retailer

The changes to the law now give you more rights for the first six months after you take delivery of goods. If you discover a fault within six months it is assumed that the fault was present when you bought the item – you do not have to prove it. Sometimes shops have told customers that items have been misused or dropped and that's why they are faulty. Now it is up to the shop to prove it if they disagree with you. This will probably mean that if there is a dispute the shop will ask to send the item away to the manufacturer to have it examined.

If a shop insists on sending the goods back to the manufacturer make sure you get a receipt when you hand them over. You should include enough detail to identify the goods at a later date, for example, the model number and serial number. Tell the shop that you will want to see a copy of the manufacturer's report when it is done.

The crucial thing is that if a fault develops within the first six months you can ask the retailer for a replacement or repair and if they can't do that you can ask them for a reduction in price or a refund (you may only be entitled to a partial refund if you have had some use out of the goods). If the shop disagrees about the fault it is up to THEM to prove their argument.

The 'six months rule' is not an absolute cut-off date. If the problem comes to light within **six years** from when you bought the goods you still have rights (depending on the type of goods and the price you paid) but it is up to you to prove that **the problem was there when you first bought the goods**.

You also have improved rights in relation to free guarantees

A shop selling goods with a free guarantee must now make a copy available on request to potential customers **before** they buy the goods. They can do this by having a copy available in-store, or posting a copy to you, or having details on their website if you are shopping on-line. Always fill in any guarantee card and send it off in accordance with the instructions to ensure you can claim on it if you need to. Take a copy of it before you post it off. If the retailer or manufacturer does not meet his obligations under this guarantee you can sue him in the small claims court.

For further information and advice you can contact Stockport Council's Trading Standards Service on 0161 474 4248. Write to them at Stopford House, Stockport, SK1 3XE, or find advice on-line at www.stockport.gov.uk/tradingstandards

HOLIDAYS

NEW LUXURY CARAVAN



More spacious, sleeps six people, fully equipped
and we still have some vacancies!!!

You can get away from everyday pressures, be free to do your own thing and enjoy your surroundings in your own way and in your own time.

You can join in a wide variety of on-the-spot facilities and entertainment or you can explore many accessible venues in Wales.

What holiday-makers say

“Very impressed with the caravan. So Spacious”

“Super caravan. Very impressed with all the facilities on the site”

“Caravan well equipped and very spacious”

“Nice caravan, very, very spacious”

“Caravan excellent”

“Enjoyed our stay very much”

“Caravan is lovely and in a very good spot”

**The 2003 season runs from March – October
and prices range from £89 – £268 for Stockport residents.**

**For all your caravan enquiries contact:
Caravan Bookings on 0161 480 7248 (Telephone/fax/textphone)
Or e-mail disabilitystockport@btinternet.com**

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NOW!**

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HOLIDAY INFORMATION

Is finding out where accessible hotels are located a problem? Do you have friends and family coming to stay and would like to know where there is accessible accommodation nearby? Would you like information on accessible holiday accommodation abroad?

If you answer yes to one or all of these questions then

**Call us on 0161 480 7248
(telephone/fax/textphone)**

CONNECT PLUS NEWS

The Imperial War Museum

We saw three different Big Picture shows. The Big Picture shows explain different things about wars. All the walls had images from all the major wars of the twentieth century, and a soundtrack with sound effects told the stories. Some of it was very loud and vivid. The topics covered were weapons of war, children and war, and why war?



We went up in a lift to a very high floor, where we had magnificent views of Manchester.

The main exhibits are a Harrier Jump-jet, a Cannon, a Fire-fighting Trailer, a Trabant Car, and a Russian Tank.

The building represents three 'shards' or pieces of a shattered globe to show how war devastates the world.

It was a great day and we hope to go back!

Melissa Anderson, a **connect plus** Member
Paul Coupland a **connect plus** Volunteer

OBITUARY KATH HODGES

It is with great sadness that we have to tell you that Kath Hodges, one of our connect plus Volunteers, passed away on Saturday 29th March following her battle against Cancer.

Kath was an exceptional Volunteer who dedicated as much time as she could to connect plus and made many good friends amongst both Members and Volunteers during her time with us.

Kath will be remembered for the commitment and effort she gave to supporting Members and how she had the ability to enable Members to get the most out of the activity.

Kath tried extra hard to support Members who needed the most help and always went out of her way to support them to do it themselves.

Staff, Members and Volunteers greatly valued the work and commitment Kath gave to connect plus. Even when her illness progressed and she became less well, she still came along to activities to give support.

Members, Volunteers and Staff alike will greatly miss the contribution Kath has given to connect plus over the past years and her death is a great loss to us all.

Our thoughts and wishes are with her family at this time.

EMPLOYMENT

A committee of MPs has delivered a powerful 'wake-up call' to the government over its schemes to boost the employment of disabled people in an interim report from the Work and Pensions Select Committee. In particular, the New Deal for Disabled People (NDDP) is 'severely under resourced' and its budget 'does not reflect the size of the task to be achieved'.

Access to Work, which pays for adjustments to help employ disabled people, should rise by 'a significant proportion'. The Work and Pensions Select Committee called for greater publicity for both schemes, a greater effort to convince businesses to employ disabled people, and more money to help disabled people with the greatest needs. It called for more money to be given to job brokers when they take a disabled person on, and for them not to be penalised when clients move into part-time rather than full-time work.

The share of NDDP funding should also be increased in relation to other groups, as more working age people claim incapacity benefit than lone parents and unemployed people on benefits combined, but their share is currently less.

All frontline staff working with disabled people need awareness training, it said. The committee was concerned that disabled people 'still face considerable financial barriers in the move from benefits to work' and called for measures, including a four weeks extension to benefits after starting work.

Lorna Reith, chief executive of Disability Alliance, said the report was a 'wake-up call' for the government, which had 'underestimated how serious the barriers are for disabled people moving into work' when allocating money for its schemes.

The Department for Work and Pensions welcomed the report and will be confirming its actions 'in due course'.

People certified as blind or visually impaired will be deemed disabled people for the purposes of the DDA under the regulations which come into force on 14 April.

The regulations follow recommendations made by the Disability Rights Task Force (DRTF) in 1999, one of which covered proposals to ensure that people certified as being blind or visually impaired are presumed, conclusively, to meet the DDA definition of disability. This follows difficulties faced by blind and visually impaired people at employment tribunals in proving they are disabled people – despite the fact that they are classed as disabled people under the government's description of disability in the DDA.

Extract from Disability Now

MOBILE PHONES

DRIVING AND PETROL STATIONS

The dangerous link between using a mobile phone when driving and road accidents is clear. **This applies not only to hand held phones but to all phones, including hand-free phones.** A driver's attention is needed at all times. In January 2000, the Government began a campaign to bring this hazard to the attention of all mobile phone users.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents is campaigning for a change in the law to prevent people using mobile phones in moving cars. In February 1999, the Highway Code was amended to include a new section which warns "Never use a mobile phone while driving". It goes on to warn that even hand-free systems are "likely to distract your attention from the road".

Drivers must have proper control of their vehicles at all times. The police advise that the offences of "careless and inconsiderate driving" and "failing to have proper control of a vehicle" provide them with sufficient powers to prosecute where appropriate if people are driving while using a hand held mobile phone.

A number of drivers have been imprisoned after accidents while they were talking on a mobile phone. **In Stockport in 2001 there were 323 prosecutions.**

A Further risk in relation to driving and mobile phones is filling up at petrol stations. The Health and Safety Executives Local Authority Unit (HELA) has issued a warning after three incidents reported by Shell about **mobile phones being answered or ringing during refueling at petrol stations and igniting fumes.**

One phone placed on the boot lid of a car rang and the ensuing fire destroyed the car and pump. One individual answering a call, suffered burns to his face. Another suffered burns to the thigh and groin when his phone, which was in his pocket, rang.

Employers should advise workers to switch off their mobile phones before refueling and amend car and mobile phone policies accordingly.

Stockport's Multi Agency Accident Prevention Group are urging Stockport MBC, Stockport Primary Care Trust and Stockport NHS Trust to develop their policies relating to mobile phones and driving

You can find more information about this on the web at:
www.hse.gov.uk/lau/pdfs/launews024.pdf



SPORT AND LEISURE

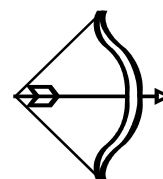
Which Sport

Now the long summer school holidays are approaching and all parents are wondering what to do to keep the children entertained and above all else safe.

An array of sporting events can be found all over Stockport. Choose from swimming, bowls boccia, wheelchair basketball, trampolining, abseiling, archery, table tennis or yoga.

Perhaps there is something you would like to try out but the sport is not yet available in Stockport. Or, maybe, some gentle exercise classes may just be your cup of tea.

**The dates and venues are not yet available
but you can get information from
Steve Harp, Community Health and Leisure Development Officer
for People with a Disability on 0161 474 4464.**



WALKS IN STOCKPORT

Wednesday 25 June	Reddish Vale Visitor Centre Reddish Vale County Park	7.00 pm
Wednesday 16 July	Bruntwood Park Outside the Pitch and Putt office	1.30 pm
Wednesday 23 July	Tiviot Dale Tiviot Dale Car Park	10.00 am
Wednesday 20 August	Reddish Vale Visitor Centre Reddish Vale County Park	10.00 am
Wednesday 17 September	Reddish Vale Visitor Centre Reddish Vale County Park	1.30 pm

**Tell us what you think of access to the countryside in Stockport generally
please give us a call on 0161 480 7248 (telephone/textphone or fax)
Email: disabilitystockport@btinternet.com**

Exercise on Prescription is now Physical Activity Referral in Stockport, or (PARiS) Scheme.

It operates in Reddish, Brinnington, Cale Green and Edgeley. Stockport residents living in these areas or attending a practice within these wards, can be referred to the scheme by GPs and Practice Nurses, as well as the Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation nurses at Stepping Hill Hospital.

People on the scheme will now receive an ID card which allows a year of unlimited, discounted access to a wide range of facilities and activities, such as all Target Fitness suites (run by Stockport Sports Trust) and Grand Central Pools, swimming, aquafit, and a variety of exercise classes on the Community Exercise Programme run by Community Services. Costs will range from £1 - £2 per visit.

For further information about PARiS please contact Matthew Cunningham, Health & Fitness Development Officer, Community Services on 0161 474 4516

DID YOU KNOW?

Stockport People's Panel

Have you got something to say about the NHS?
Then go along to the next meeting of the
Stockport People's Panel

on Thursday 26 June 2003, The Meeting Room,
Tiviot Dale Church, (Bottom of Princes Street)
Stockport 1.30 pm – 3.30 pm

Just go along!

**If you would like more details
please contact Stockport Primary Care Trust
on 0161 419 5066**

Stockport Stop Smoking Service

This is a free confidential service
run by the NHS for anyone
registered with a Stockport GP.

Previously people have had to be
referred into the service by a health
professional.

**Now any smoker can simply
phone the service
on 0161 487 2020**

Housing Advice Moves To New Premises

From 12 May the housing advice team who provide housing advice, deal with people wanting a housing exchange; and homelessness, and the homechoice team who deal with allocations, register all new applicants and run the choice-based lettings programme will be based at the new Housing Information Centre, at St Peter's Square, Stockport.

Customers will be able to view photos and details of vacant properties, be able to put their name forward for properties they are interested in and get help with filling in housing application forms and medical forms.

So if you:

- require details on vacant Council and some housing association properties
- want to put your name forward for a property
- need any advice or information on housing related issues
- need help with filling in housing forms
- want information about exchanges
- are homeless

**You will need to call Housing Advice on 0161 474 4237
Homechoice on 0161 474 4567**

Or you can

**Write to The Housing Information Centre
1 St Peters Square
Stockport
SK1 1NZ**



HELP AND SUPPORT

STOCKPORT DEBT HELPLINE

Stockport Debtline is a service for people who live or work in Stockport who have money problems. An adviser is available on the telephone on:

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays
1.30 pm to 4.30 pm.**

Usually, advice and support is given and a self-help pack is sent out. However, if the case justifies it, an appointment will be made for a face-to-face interview at the Law Centre.

If you are unable to visit the Law Centre you may be able to arrange a home visit.

Call the Debtline on 0161 476 2882

Learning Braille?

The National Library for the Blind has a collection of reading materials for adults who are learning Braille. The Learners' Library currently has over 300 members.

Do you know someone who is learning Braille who would like to practise their reading skills?

Or perhaps you would like to borrow materials either for yourself or to use with clients.

**For further information contact the:
Customer Assistants on 0161 355 2000
Or email: enquiries@nlbuk.org.**

FREE SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH SIGHT PROBLEMS

'The Recorder' is a FREE service to Stockport's blind and partially sighted people provided by the Stockport Talking Newspaper Association.

Items from the latest issue of the Stockport Express are recorded and sent out to visually impaired people all over Stockport.

If you would like to get more information on this, please contact Keith Turner on 0161 430 7808 or write to: The Secretary, Stockport Talking Newspaper, Walthew House, 112 Shaw Heath, Stockport SK2 6QS



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HELP AND SUPPORT

£100,000 helps visually impaired people develop IT skills

Employment prospects for visually impaired people received a boost, as Ridge Danyers' success at securing European Funding continued apace, with over £100,000 being granted to deliver Information & Communication Technology Training (ICT) to visually impaired people throughout Stockport.

The funding, through the Greater Manchester Learning & Skills Council, will facilitate the delivery of ICT training from the College's ONLINE Learning Centre at Houldsworth Mill, Reddish. In addition, outreach work will also be undertaken at Eyeline at Walthew House Shaw Heath.

Hilary Fidler, Development Manager for the College's Learning Centre at Houldsworth Mill, explained "This project will support visually impaired people by equipping them with ICT skills, thereby increasing their chances of gaining employment. We will assess each individual and negotiate a Learning Plan so that activities can be tailored to the scale of their visual impairment."

The project will purchase specialised equipment for the visually impaired to gain City & Guilds qualifications and the Open College of the North West's Introduction to the Internet, Becoming Webwise and job search skills.

Further information is available from Hilary Fidler on 0161 975 6230

Visugate

**All you need to know about visual impairment -
in one place on the web**

This service provides a wealth of data, views and debates on all aspects of visual impairment. **Visugate** is designed to enable experienced and novice computer users to find what they want quickly and easily.

Visugate provides:

- ◆ Free access to high quality, accessible electronic information on visual impairment.
- ◆ An on-line meeting place for anyone with an interest in visual impairment issues.

The site is a major research tool for people who are blind, partially sighted or deafblind, as well as their families and friends, professionals, employers and policy-makers.

Visit www.visugate.org
and make Visugate work for you!

PETS alone

**Working with the
National Canine Defence
League (NCDL)**

Can your dog find his way Home. Age Concern and NCDL In conjunction with - Pets Alone want to make sure he can.

**Are you on State Pension
or over 55 years old and
on any other benefit?**

If you are, then through Age Concern and Pets Alone you can have your dog permanently identifiable by Micro Chip. NCDL will provide the chips and register your dog free of charge.

**For more information please
call Age Concern Stockport
on 0161 480 1211 and ask for
PETS.**

MISCELLANEOUS

POSTBAG

Dear Editor

I wrote some time ago telling you of a problem I was having with a mobility firm Fernfields of Kent. They supplied me with a scooter taking my old scooter in part exchange plus £950 cash. The scooter I received was supposed to be four years old, in good condition and road-worthy.

I was not happy with its performance and on having it checked I discovered that it was 12 years old, the back tyres were very cracked and ready to blow at any time, it had not been serviced for years and was supposed to come to me fully serviced and checked for faults.

I contacted Stockport Trading Standards, who were fantastic. I got my scooter back within three weeks and the 12 year old one was taken back with promises that my £950 would be returned within seven days.

After letters and telephone calls from myself and Stockport Trading Standards to Fernfields Mobility Ltd of Kent, I was advised to take the company to the Stockport small claims court. 12 months to the month I won the court case outright. My £950 was returned but the costs are still outstanding. This company is now listed as a poor company.

I would advise any disabled person thinking of buying or changing their electric scooter to check with Stockport Trading Standards to see if the company they wish to buy from has a poor record.

Please warn others in your next edition of Viewpoint about unscrupulous traders.

Colin Richards

Letter sent to Sally Moorhouse, SMBC about Parking at the Peel Centre, Stockport

Dear Sally

In the Spring edition of Viewpoint there is a letter from Breda Johnson of the Reddish Care Scheme. She incurred a £40 parking ticket at the Peel Centre even though the Blue Badge was displayed.

Yes, I know that at the ticket meters a sign states that disabled drivers are not exempt from paying but this is only made known at the meters.

Have you had any success in trying to get SMBC to 'buy out' the Peel Centre?

Peter Rowe

Community Continence Assessment Clinics

Anyone who has a bladder or bowel problem, who is aged 17 years or older, can attend the clinics. The clinics are nurse-led and confidentiality is assured. There is an open referral system and clients will be seen by appointment at one of the following three venues:

Heaton Norris Health Centre	Mondays	9.15 am – 12.30 pm
Woodley Health Centre	Tuesdays	1.30 pm – 5.00 pm
Shaw Heath Health Centre	Wednesdays	9.15 am – 12.30 pm

Make an appointment by contacting Sharon Humphrey on 0161 482 4334 (Monday - Thursday 9.00 am – 5.00 pm and Friday 9.00 am – 4.30 pm)

If preferred, people can speak to one of the Continence Promotion Nurses by calling 0161 482 4527 (Monday – Friday 11.00 am – 1.00 pm)

NOTICE BOARD

CHEADLE GATLEY AND STOCKPORT ROUND TABLE

Disability Stockport is very grateful for the financial help from the Cheadle Gatley and Stockport Round Table



**ADOPT
ADAPT
IMPROVE**

LEYFIELD PRIMUS OPEN AFTERNOON on

**Wednesday 16 July 2003
1.00 pm to 3.00 pm**

**Tombola, crafts for sale, raffle
and refreshments
EVERYONE WELCOME**

FOR SALE

Electric Hoist to enable the lifting of a wheelchair in and out of the car.

£400

**Contact: Joe Middleton
on 0161 320 8513**

Unsure or nervous about using your computer?

Find out how you can learn what you need to know
**Call Oliver Hill on
0161 286 3921**

FOR SALE

Lightweight self propel wheelchair with lap strap **£200 ono**

Donna twin motor rose riser recliner chair **£400 ono**

Pair lightweight telescopic ramps 79" maximum length **£100 ono**

Elap rotating front passenger grey car seat **£250 ono**

**Contact Mr Cash
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FOR SALE

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cost **£2,300** new will sell for **£800 ono**

**Contact: Mr Rutter
on 07931 161 282**

FOR SALE

Manual lightweight wheelchair **£150 ono**

**Contact: Mrs Rowbottom
on 0161 439 4519**

FOR SALE

Massage Cushion £20 plus p&p
**Contact Rita or Sue
on 0161 792 3029**

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