

Smith & Greenfield Opticians 42 High Street Chappleford CH2 8RD

Re: Mr Raymond Carter

1st December 2022

Dear Ray

We visited you at home on 30th November 2022 for a low vision assessment. Below is a summary of the key points and report of the outcomes of your assessment. I hope it is of help.

Key points and recommendations:

Magnifiers issued	None
Recommendations	Continuing physiotherapyGP referralCRUSE referralStroke UK referral
Advice	 Reassurance of possible future options: Technology support Steady eye strategy

I understand that your visual impairment is due to your recent stroke. I am confident you understand about how this condition has affected your vision.

You are registered as severe sight impaired.

You are in receipt of all financial support for which you are eligible.

Spectacles:

I tested your eyes today, and the spectacle prescription is outlined below.

R: +0.25 DS (0.3)

L: +0.25/-0.25 x 180 (0.3) Binocular 0.3

Add +2.75 at 40cm N7.5 – difficulty scanning text

You have moderately reduced contrast sensitivity.

Your existing reading spectacles are in good condition.

You do not require new spectacles.

Low vision aids:

You were reassured that at some stage (when you feel ready) there may be help as follows:

- Review with RNIB technology team for possible adapted tablet or spectacle OCR vocalisation devices
- Possible training in steady eye strategy

We agreed that we can pick up on this at a future date agreed with yourself, your hospital clinician and your GP.

Rehabilitation:

I have referred you to the rehabilitation sensory team for a review of your needs and they will be in touch by telephone. I have recommended:

- Review current domestic arrangement
- Assessment of mobility and possible training or support options (to complement current physiotherapy)
- You are interested in contacting Cruse for support and advice and I have agreed to put you in contact with them

Eye health:

Today's findings are consistent with what we already know about your eye condition.

I am referring you to your GP and you are reassured that there may be help available for you through this difficult time.

I am contacting Stroke UK and you are keen to meet a stroke navigator for support and assistance.

The importance of regular ocular health review has been discussed. We have suggested that you should return to the Low Vision Centre in 12 months. This is not a medical appointment and therefore you should continue as usual with any hospital appointments.

Yours sincerely

Low Vision Optometrist, Low Vision Services

Cc: Rehabilitation Officer

Cc: GP