

SPREAD THE NEWS IN SOUND

The Bearsden and Milngavie Talking Newspaper Association – BEAM-was started in 1990 by the then Bearsden South Church with support from other churches in the area and with continuing community support restarted its service last November after a shutdown at the height of the Covid pandemic.

The blind and visually impaired in the local communities of Bearsden, Milngavie and beyond, are sent recordings each week of the Milngavie and Bearsden Herald and extracts from the Community News all of which helps to keep them in touch with what is going on in the local community. Stories from the likes of the Scottish Book Trust are added to give a bit of light-hearted interest to BEAM's recordings.

Free boom boxes help our listeners access our recordings and the Post Office's free postal service for the blind allows BEAM to provide this service to all our listeners without charge.

Our teams of volunteers who work away week by week in Bearsden Cross Church are keen to reach as many as possible in the community who could enjoy our output.

BEAM NEEDS YOUR HELP to reach members of your family, friends or neighbours who might be interested in having BEAM's service. There is no need for anyone to be registered blind or visually impaired to have our service. Think about anyone you know and have a chat with them about this opportunity. If they would like to try BEAM's service for a few weeks that would be great, just let me know.

Many thanks

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