



Speed Of Sight

Driving the Difference



IMPACT

REPORT

2024

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THE BIG PICTURE



For too long, people with disabilities have faced unnecessary barriers in their everyday lives—barriers that limit opportunity, stifle potential, and dampen dreams. From stigma and marginalisation to mental health challenges and reduced access to services, these obstacles shape a reality no one should endure. At Speed of Sight, we refuse to accept this status quo.

We believe in a world where everyone, regardless of ability, has the chance to experience the joy, freedom, and empowerment that comes from doing something extraordinary. By challenging stereotypes and creating life-changing experiences, we're not just advocating for inclusion—we're driving it forward.



MISSION AND PURPOSE



We believe in the power of opportunity. Our mission is to open doors and create moments of joy for people of all abilities. Through the thrilling world of motorsport, we transform self-doubt into confidence, isolation into connection, and barriers into boundless possibilities.



Our purpose is simple: to shatter the barriers that disability imposes.

We're not just about driving—we're about connection, empowerment, and joy. Our inclusive programs bring people together, enabling families, friends, and carers to share experiences they'll treasure forever. Every turn of the wheel, every cheer from the sidelines, every smile that lights up a face—it's all part of our goal to:

- Build self-esteem and confidence.
- Create spaces for meaningful social interaction.
- Foster physical and mental well-being.

Our ultimate goal is to enrich lives and prove that limits are only temporary when passion drives us forward.



100%
OF OUR
PARTICIPANTS
WOULD RECOMMEND
OUR DRIVING
EXPERIENCE

DRIVING CHANGE

OUR JOURNEY - HIGHLIGHTS OF 2024



OUR JOURNEY

Speed of Sight was born in 2012, when Mike Newman BEM—our founder, a world-record-breaking blind driver—and his friend John Galloway set out to change lives. Since then, we've designed and built a growing fleet of vehicles, each lovingly named after Mike's guide dogs.

In 2024, we celebrated the arrival of our sixth and seventh cars, thanks to *Sigma Capital Group, MEV, the Ardonagh Community Trust* and the *Peter Harrison Foundation*, pushing the limits of accessibility even further. With dual controls, twin steering wheels, and hand controls, our specially adapted racing cars and all-terrain buggies have made it possible for hundreds of individuals to experience the thrill of driving. From roaring engines to the wind rushing past, our participants don't just drive—they fly.



2024 HIGHLIGHTS

As well as adding our 6th and 7th vehicles to our fleet, this past year, Speed of Sight reached new heights, hosting 12 unforgettable Track Day events across eight incredible venues in England, Scotland, and Wales.

We were thrilled to welcome **208** participants, each bringing their own story, their own courage, and their own determination to embrace the extraordinary. From young thrill-seekers under 17 to inspirational individuals over 76, our Track Days showed that age and ability are no barriers to adventure.



DRIVING IMPACT



97%
rated the
overall day
10 out of 10

In 2024, participant feedback from our Track Days painted a powerful picture of success:

- Over **97%** of attendees rated the day overall as a **perfect** 10 out of 10.
- Over **96%** gave their actual driving experience a **flawless** 10 out of 10.
- Across all categories—Car, Instructor, Staff, Venue, and Information Provided—we received **10 out of 10** scores in over 90% of all responses.
- Additionally, **100%** of participants and their families said they would recommend the Speed of Sight driving experience to others.
- Inspiringly, **100%** expressed a strong desire to return for another Track Day.

These results speak volumes about the transformative impact of our work, underscoring the joy, confidence, and unforgettable memories we create for participants and their families.

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PARTICIPANT SPOTLIGHT



“The team did not underestimate Joe, they let him fly”

Our son, Joe, is 12. He has Down Syndrome. He watched his older brother take part in a "mainstream" track experience and said, 'I want to do that,' but he could not access the mainstream experience. We researched and found **Speed of Sight**. Today Joe had his track experience. It was amazing. The team made him **feel special** – because it was his day, his treat – but they did not make him feel 'special needs.' They treated him with **dignity and respect**, and he responded by following all of the instructions that he was given, so that he was able to drive a Caterham, **fast**, around a racing track.



We know that our son is capable of **reaching for the sky**, but all too often it is **easy to underestimate** a child with a learning disability. The team did not underestimate Joe, they **let him fly**. I am crying now, thinking about watching him go round that track, and the **enormous smile** on his face when he had finished. This is a great team, giving disabled people the opportunity to **reach their potential** and to be able to experience what any other petrol head takes for granted.

Driving Confidence and Breaking Barriers

WE WANT YOU!



Our volunteers are more than just helpers – they're family. They bring positivity, dedication, and a sense of community to every event, transforming our Track Days into truly life-changing experiences. Whether it's a new volunteer or someone who has been with us for years, their contributions make a tangible difference in the lives of participants and their families.



1 Changing Perspectives

Volunteering with Speed of Sight transforms how people view disabilities and interact with individuals living with them.

"Previously I was unsure of how to interact with people with disabilities, not sure if I was saying or doing the wrong thing. I'm much more confident now, both with people with disabilities and people in general."

70

volunteers in
2024

10

been volunteering
for 5+ years

2 Emotional Fulfillment

Volunteers consistently report feeling a deep sense of reward and joy after each Track Day:

"I tell everyone I know what I have been doing, and they are all in awe. It's such a good day out – the fun, the banter, the smiles, and to be helping those with disabilities."

3 Being Part of Something Bigger

Many volunteers feel that their contributions, no matter how small, are meaningful and part of a greater purpose:

"Following a day (or two) working at the events, I go away feeling that I've been a small cog in the gearbox of someone's life, and that is very satisfying."

4

volunteering for
over a decade

Join Us: If these stories inspire you, we'd love for you to join the Speed of Sight family. Whether for a single day or a lifetime, your contribution can help change lives – including your own!

Inspire Club



BE THE ENGINE OF CHANGE

Imagine being the reason someone feels empowered, confident, and free—experiencing a moment they never thought possible. That's what the Inspire Club is all about—businesses coming together to fuel life-changing experiences for people with disabilities.

Right now, our Inspire Club members collectively contribute over £2,000 every month, providing the critical, consistent revenue we need to break down barriers and create unforgettable moments for those who need them most. For a small charity like Speed of Sight, this kind of reliable support is nothing short of revolutionary. It allows us to plan boldly, act decisively, and focus on doing what we do best: changing lives.

But we're not stopping here. We have a vision to grow our Inspire Club to three or four times its current size—and we need you to help us make that happen. Imagine the possibilities:

- More Track Days to reach even more people longing for the thrill of driving.
- New vehicles to make the experience accessible to even more participants.
- A stronger, more sustainable future, where Speed of Sight thrives without the constant uncertainty of grant funding.

This is where your business comes in. By joining the Inspire Club, you're not just making a donation—you're driving transformation. You're helping to create opportunities, spark confidence, and bring joy to people who face barriers every day.

Every pound you contribute fuels an engine of change, helping people of all abilities feel the freedom they deserve. And as a member of the Inspire Club, you'll become part of a movement that's bigger than business—you'll become a driver of empowerment

ARE YOU READY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

BECOME A PARTNER OR JOIN THE
INSPIRE CLUB TODAY AND HELP US
CREATE A WORLD WHERE DISABILITY IS
NO BARRIER TO OPPORTUNITY, JOY,
AND FREEDOM. TOGETHER, WE CAN
CHANGE LIVES, ONE LAP AT A TIME.



CALL TO ACTION

As we look ahead, Speed of Sight is ready to take bold steps toward an even brighter future. Our mission remains the same: to break barriers, empower people of all abilities, and create unforgettable moments of joy and freedom. But to reach even greater heights, we're focusing on key priorities for 2025:

- **Expanding Our Reach:** Increasing the number of Track Days and venues across the UK to ensure more people can access the life-changing experience of driving.
- **Growing Our Fleet:** Adding new vehicles to better serve participants with a wider range of needs and abilities.
- **Strengthening Sustainability:** Building on the success of the Inspire Club to provide consistent, reliable revenue that allows us to plan and grow confidently.
- **Engaging Communities:** Reaching new participants, partners, and volunteers to ensure Speed of Sight remains a force for empowerment and inclusion.

We can't achieve these ambitious goals alone. We need your support to help us drive forward and change more lives in 2025 and beyond.



Every lap, every smile, and every breakthrough moment is made possible by a dedicated community of supporters. Whether you're an individual looking to give back, a business seeking to make a meaningful impact, or someone ready to experience the thrill of a Track Day—we invite you to be part of something extraordinary.

- **Volunteers:** Your time, energy, and passion are invaluable. Join our team and help us create moments that participants and their families will never forget.
- **Businesses:** Partner with us through the Inspire Club or partner sponsorships. Together, we can drive change, build confidence, and empower communities across the UK.
- **Participants:** If you've ever dreamed of driving, Speed of Sight is here to make it a reality. No matter your ability, our events are designed to ensure you feel the freedom, joy, and excitement that come with getting behind the wheel.

Let's drive change together.

Join the Speed of Sight family today and help us create a world where disability is no barrier to opportunity, joy, and freedom.



YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE!



None of this would be possible without our incredible community. To our sponsors, volunteers, staff, and supporters: you are the engine that drives this organisation.

Your generosity, dedication, and belief in our mission fuel everything we do. You have helped create life-changing moments for people who never thought they could experience the thrill of driving. Every pound donated, every hour volunteered, and every cheer from the sidelines makes a difference.

Thank you for helping us break barriers, drive dreams, and change lives. Together, we are unstoppable.



Thank you

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