



# Stevenage Grange Rotary Club

The Rotary Ophthalmoscope Initiative - Optyse™



## Fact sheet

### **We live in a world where**

37 million people are blind

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Up to 2 million lose their sight each year

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Without proper intervention the number of blind will grow to 75 million by 2020

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A child goes blind every minute. Someone goes blind every 5 seconds

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**... and yet 75% ... yes 75% can be prevented or cured**

Another 124 million people have a sight impairment  
e.g. detached retina, glaucoma, river blindness, trachoma

### **Did you know?**

**Early examination of the eye helps diagnose impending  
Diabetes, heart disease, brain tumours or cerebral malaria**

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Restoration of sight is one of the most cost-effective  
forms of intervention in health care

**The Rotary ophthalmoscope will make a difference**

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