

Red Gables Tenants

MAP provides affordable office space to a number of voluntary organisations at their Red Gables Resource Centre. The following charities currently are currently based at the site:

Optua Advice and Advocacy

Tel: 01449 672781 Fax: 01449 770135

Email: advice@optua.org.uk

Weblink: www.optua.org.uk/Advice_And_Adcovacy.asp

A service providing expert help for people with disabilities or health problems. The service can help with social security benefits, tax credits, community care or any related issue. The service helps to identify people's benefit entitlements, assess what they are entitled to and explain the various disability tests for benefits and tax credits. It can also help people who are reapplying for existing benefit claims. If someone is appealing against a decision on their benefit, the service can provide support and representation at appeal tribunals and review boards and has a very high success rate. The telephone line is manned from 10am to 12noon on Mondays and Fridays and from 9.30am to 3pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Optua Community Transport

Telephone: 01449 614271

Email: transport@optua.org.uk

Weblink: www.optua.org.uk/Community_Transport.asp

Optua Community Transport provides a wide range of transport services for people in the Mid Suffolk area. All Optua's transport services are fully accessible to disabled people but most of them are available to anyone who wants to use them. They are a very useful way for older people or anyone living in rural Mid Suffolk to get about. Some of the services link up with bus services on the main routes to help people from isolated villages get to places like Ipswich, Stowmarket and Bury St Edmunds. The services range from the Club 88 rural bus service and Club 88 Taxibus which run to a set timetable, to the Dial-a-Ride service and other community bus and car services which can be booked for individual local journeys. We also have a wheelchair accessible minibus available for group use.

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