

DUNSTAN'S GRANT ELIGIBLY CRITERIA

These would, in the first instance, be veterans who either lost their sight on duty while serving the Crown or who are suffering from blindness or severely impaired sight after their service to the Crown, but as a consequence of that military service (ie the long term effects of malnutrition as a prisoner of war). If St Dunstan's is satisfied with the eligibility of these individuals they would be admitted as 'affiliate St Dunstaners' and be considered for a support grant.

CATEGORIES OF SIGHT-LOSS

St Dunstan's will consider admission to St Dunstan's under two categories:

- **Category 1** – Those who lost their sight while on duty serving the Crown, or as a direct consequence of that service.
- **Category 2** – St Dunstan's has also agreed to consider, when the numbers are known, the possibility of admitting 'affiliate St Dunstaners' and the provision of a financial grant to those who have served the Crown, but whose blindness is not attributable to their military Service (ie caused by disease or accident).

ACTION REQUIRED

Member organizations who wish to take advantage of this financial assistance on behalf of veterans who have lost their sight are asked to complete Annex A for Category 1 veterans blinded on duty or whose blindness is a direct result of their military service and Annex B giving the approximate number of Category 2 veterans. Each veteran who applies to become an 'affiliate St Dunstaner' must complete the very simple one page application form. It is most important that the application form should be signed by the President or Chairman of the member organisation verifying both the qualifying service of the veteran and the level of impaired sight. A separate form must be completed for every veteran.