**FOLIO Sutton Coldfield**

Many thanks for considering volunteering for Folio Sutton Coldfield.

FOLIO Sutton Coldfield is Registered Charity (No. 1175929, registered in England and Wales). We are a community group of Sutton Coldfield residents who want to see our public libraries not just survive, but thrive at the heart of our community.

 **Our Mission**
We want to see our public libraries thrive at heart of our community. We aim to do this by:

(a) supporting and promoting the current library service in Sutton Coldfield;

(b) facilitating educational courses and events in libraries and through library outreach.

**What’s The Plan?**

FOLIO Sutton Coldfield intends to raise funds to host events and fund projects within or in support of libraries in Sutton Coldfield.

In the first instance our focus will be on supporting the main library in the town centre, which is the only library in the area that has been threatened with closure.

FOLIO Sutton Coldfield first ambitious project was to bring a play café into the town library, Little Green Bookworm.This is a warm and welcoming play café which is proving to be a very successful addition to Sutton Coldfield town centre.

We are now able to focus on fundraising for and facilitating through various means a whole host of different activities in Sutton Coldfield libraries. This can be everything from additional storytimes through to local history lectures, exhibitions by local artists, lego club, elders groups and teen writing groups. To make sure our activities are a success we depend on volunteers to offer their support so the more volunteers we have then the more activities we can provide.

**What can I do as a FOLIO Volunteer?**

There are lots of possibilities for FOLIO volunteers, you might want to help with fundraising, you might want to support one of our existing activities or you might have an idea or an interest that would mean us setting up new activities that you could be involved with. Being a volunteer with FOLIO Sutton Coldfield is a great opportunity to support a newly formed charity to develop a vibrant community hub in the heart of Sutton Coldfield in the library!

**How do I become a FOLIO volunteer?**

 In order for you to become a volunteer there is some paperwork to be completed and we need to share with you our code of conduct and safeguarding agreement, this is to make sure that all our activities are safe, welcoming and well organised. It is also important that you understand what we expect of you as a volunteer. We are committed to making sure that volunteers feel valued and confident in their role.

**What next?**

Please contact Noran Flynn (noran@foliosuttoncoldfield.org.uk) who will then get back to you to arrange a meeting to discuss your volunteering role and complete the necessary paperwork.

We look forward to meeting you and to you volunteering with us.