

FREE Dance Performance:

Join us in Central Library courtyard for an exciting, family-friendly, new dance theatre performance from Bird Nerd, focusing on popular UK birds on the endangered species 'red list'. Free and no booking required, so come and get your spot for the performance from 2pm before it starts at 2.15.



Volunteering Opportunities

If you're looking for a rewarding way to support your library or community, we are recruiting volunteers for the following roles:

- Library Volunteer – North Swindon Library
- After School Activity Volunteer - Park Library
- Summer Reading Challenge Activity Volunteers for dates:
 - Tuesday, 5 August - West Swindon Library
 - Thursday, 7 August - Highworth Library
 - Wednesday, 13 August - North Swindon Library
 - Tuesday, 19 August - Central Library
 - Thursday, 21 August - Park Library

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please email libraries@swindon.gov.uk for further information about the role and an application form. Applications for Summer Reading Challenge Activity Volunteers, need to be sent by 21 June.

Volunteer Recruitment Events

There are a wide range of other great volunteering opportunities across Swindon. Find out more at one of the friendly drop-in sessions taking place during Volunteers' Week (2-8 June).

The Live Well Swindon team will be available to talk about a wide range of opportunities, from one-off activities to more regular support. This includes roles supporting older residents, helping at community events, befriending those experiencing loneliness and more.

Drop-in details:

- Wednesday, 4 June, 10am until 12pm – Bakers Café, 16 Emlyn Square
- Thursday, 5 June, 10am until 12pm – Central Library

If you can't attend in person, [email the team](#) to find out more or visit the [volunteering section](#) of the Council's website.



Let's Talk Housing

Council home tenants are invited to Tenant Engagement events to hear more about the improvements Swindon Borough Council is making to housing services, and ask questions and feed back what matters most to you.

Plus find out about the council's Housing Asset Management Strategy 2025-2030 and the planned £250 million investment over the next five years to improve and refurbish council homes.

You can also share feedback on the tenant handbook and the information the council shares with you. There will also be an opportunity to speak to council teams about any issues with your property or tenancy.

Sign up to one of the events

- [Park Library](#)
 - Tuesday, 10 June from 6.00pm to 8.00pm
- [West Swindon Library](#)
 - Wednesday, 11 June from 6.30pm to 8.30pm
- [Central Community Centre](#)
 - Saturday, 14 June from 11.00am to 1.00pm
- [John Moulton Hall Community Centre](#)
 - Tuesday, 17 June from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

If you are unable to access the online booking, please contact your Neighbourhood Housing Officer or Neighbourhood Warden to secure your place.

Worried about rising costs?

Speak with our Advice & Financial First Aid Advisers.



Citizen's Advice Drop In Sessions

Are you worried about rising household costs? Come and speak to an [Advice and Financial First Aider](#) at:

[Central Library](#): Friday 6 June, 10.00 - 12.00

[Park Library](#), Tuesday 17 June, 10.00 - 11.30

[West Swindon Library](#): Friday 13 June, 10.00 - 11.30

Find out what they can help with [here](#).



Wiltshire Family History Society

Registered UK Charity 290284

Free Family History Drop-In Session

Monday 9th June

2pm-3:30pm

Local Studies - Central Library

Want to look into family history but don't know where to start, or perhaps you need help with research you've already started?

Volunteers from the Wiltshire Family History Society will be on hand to help with researching your family history - locally and elsewhere



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Regular Events

Discover what's on in libraries through our [events page](#), which showcases regular events, activities, courses and exhibitions. Filter your search by location or category to find events in your area.

Have a look within your local library for additional community events too.

Spotlight Event: [Free Family History Drop-In Session](#)

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This is a free drop-in session, with no need to book.

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Summer Reading Challenge & Signal Festival

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Save the date for a double bill of free events at Central Library on Saturday 26th July.

In the morning, we'll be launching the Summer Reading Challenge, with a Teddy Bear's Picnic Story Time, plus games, crafts, a quiz, and a special visit from our Children's Library Patron, award-winning writer and illustrator [Steve Antony](#).

In the afternoon we'll be partnering with [Signal Festival](#) for the opening of the *Look Here Exhibition*, as well as an open mic music in the courtyard.



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The Library Shop



Discover more about Swindon

‘Our town, Our high street – Regent Street 1968

What did Regent Street look like 57 years ago? What shops would you see if you walked down the street in 1968? Using photos from our [Local Studies Flickr collection](#) we have displayed photos of a variety of shops and businesses serving the needs of the community at that time. Can you spot them on the map? Do you remember any of them?

The Library Shop on the ground floor of Central Library sells a number of local history books, some featuring photos of our local area. Library members can enjoy a 10% discount off all books. Just show your library card to a member of staff when paying for the discount to be applied. If you're looking for a gift but can't decide, gift vouchers are also available. Find them .

Our Local Studies department is located on the second floor of Central Library and has a comprehensive collection of printed historical material for the Borough of Swindon and the surrounding area.

Your Online Library

Our [online services](#) are available anytime, anywhere. [Access your account](#) to renew books, check your reservations, or [view our library catalogue](#) to plan your next read.



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A number of premium [eResources](#) are also available to access from home.

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Children and Families



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We're Open Families

Are you new to Swindon?

Do you have pre-school aged children?

Would you like to meet other families?

Come and join us !

Chat, sing songs, play games, craft and share stories.

We're waiting to welcome you!



Swindon Central
Library
Thursdays
11:30am - 1pm

Summer dates:
June 12th, 26th
July 10th, 24th
August 7th, 21st

For more information email:
info@swindon.cityofsanctuary.org

Swindon
City of Sanctuary 

We're Open Families

Central Library, Thursdays as per dates above, 11.00 – 13.00, free

For families new to Swindon with pre-school children.

Come and join the team from [Swindon City of Sanctuary](https://www.swindon.cityofsanctuary.org) to chat, sing songs and rhymes, play games, craft, and share stories.

No need to book, just drop in.



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SIAS Drop In Sessions

The SEND Information, advice and support service have weekly drop in sessions during school term time. Pop into the central library if you have any questions about SEND, want to meet the team or just prefer to speak face to face!

Central Library

SN1 1QG

Every Wednesday - Term Time Only

12:30 - 16:30



SEND Information, Advice and Support Service

Wednesdays during term time, 12.30 - 16.30 Central Library ground floor

The SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) Information, Advice and Support service have weekly drop in sessions during school term time.

Pop into Central Library if you have any questions about SEND, want to meet the team, or just prefer to speak face to face.

Summer dates:

- 4, 11, 18 & 25 June
- 2, 9 & 16 July

If any sessions need to be cancelled or dates changed, the SEND team will communicate this on their [Facebook Page](#).



Call for Young People - Exhibit Your Art

[Signal Festival](#) is a showcase of talent and opportunity for Swindon's young people 11 - 25.

A key part of the Festival's Visual Arts programme is the *Look Here Exhibition*, which will be displayed at Central Library from Friday 25 July - Saturday 16 August, with a launch event planned for the afternoon of Saturday 26th July.

Signal Festival invites submissions of art for this exhibition from young people aged 11-25. Find out more and register to take part on the [Signal Festival website](#).



Call for Young People - Perform at Signal Festival

Want to perform at Signal Festival? And aged 11-25?

The Festival will feature a variety of performances across the week, including an open mic music event at Central Library the afternoon of Saturday 26th July.

If you're a musician, poet, theatre maker, comedian, or any type of performer... the Festival Producers would love for you to be involved!

Find out more, and register by the deadline of 2nd July, on the [Signal Festival website](#).

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