

Volunteer Role Description – Reminiscence Events Assistant

Role title:	Reminiscence Events Assistant
Responsible to:	Engagement Manager for Older People
Where:	Various venues in Gloucestershire
When:	April 2018 to January 2020
Commitment:	To be flexible and available for specified sessions on a fortnightly or monthly basis. To be willing and able to get to venues across the county.
Duration:	Review after (or before) 3 months, can then be extended by mutual agreement
Purpose:	To assist the Engagement Manager for Older People in delivering reminiscence sessions for people living with dementia using the <i>House of Memories</i> computer app.
Tasks:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake training to support your awareness of the impact of dementia • Use a tablet computer (iPad) with the <i>House of Memories</i> app to facilitate memories, stories and conversations with older people living with dementia • To support older people in group sessions in libraries and other community settings • To help with the continuous evaluation of the project • To demonstrate the <i>House of Memories</i> app to other volunteers (optional)
Requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willingness and ability to work with older people, (especially those experiencing memory loss) and their support networks. • Good communication skills; particularly in relation to people with memory loss and/or early stage dementia • Friendly, calm and empathetic • Willingness to learn to use the <i>House of Memories</i> app and demonstrate it to others
What's in it for you:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involvement with the Heritage Hub and a chance to find out about our wide-ranging community development projects • Opportunities to meet and to help other people

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participation in a friendly group activity, designed to promote feelings of wellbeing in all• Opportunities for training & development
Notes:	Gloucestershire Archives will be responsible for welcoming the volunteer into the office, providing an induction and orientation, health and safety awareness & training for the specific task. Volunteer travel expenses will be paid.
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