

BREASTFEEDING IN LIBRARIES

Policy Statement

Reason for policy

1. The purpose of this policy is to provide support for mothers who wish to breastfeed their babies in Wiltshire libraries.

Breastfeeding Welcome

2. Mothers are welcome to breastfeed in Wiltshire libraries - all of which are part of the national "Breastfeeding Welcome Scheme", www.breastfeedingwelcomescheme.org.uk
3. We aim to create an atmosphere in which breastfeeding mothers may feel comfortable and relaxed when using our libraries
4. The children's area in the larger libraries is particularly identified as a comfortable and suitable environment, and staff will usually direct a mother to this area.
5. All staff will support the needs of any mother who wishes to breastfeed on these premises.
6. We will not ask the breastfeeding mother to stop or move to another area of the library if we receive complaints from other library users.

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