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Dear Candidate

Thank you for your interest in this position.

Southern Brooks has been established for over 25 years and have had a family support service for over 6 years. Last year we ran a pilot 'Family Activity Programme' providing a practical approach to supporting families, involving sharing a family meal and playing games together. Feedback included, 'we work better together as a family now' and 'We don't want to stop coming'. Many of the families met new friends and have stayed in contact with each other. This project builds on all our previous work and expertise and responds to the need of more community activities. We have secured funding for a year, but if successful we hope to continue the work and extend it into other communities.

The primary role of this post is work with local families in Patchway who are identified as being in need of community based support, to help them work together with the support of volunteers to build their skills, confidence and ability to make positive choices for themselves. You will support and lead a team of volunteers to deliver regular activities and crucial support families to help each other through sharing their experiences.

If you would like an informal discussion prior to your application please contact Catherine Coleman, Community Volunteer Co-ordinator on the telephone number above.

All completed application forms should be emailed or posted to the address above by the closing date of Wednesday 14th March (12 noon). Shortlisted candidates will be notified on 19th March and interviews will take place on 22nd March. If selected for interview we will ask you to talk to us about your approach to the work in the first 3 months (no Power Point needed).

Best wishes

Julie Close

**Director**