

# Save our Local Libraries: Read-In and Speak Out!



**A celebratory protest against Gloucestershire County Council's proposals for the Library Service**

**Stroud Library, Lansdown**

**12noon-4pm Saturday 5th February**

**Free events - all ages welcome**

- 12 noon - 1 pm** Introduction to the Friend of Gloucestershire Libraries campaign and open-mic , where anyone is welcome to talk about their experiences of libraries and read from books
- 1-2pm** Alice Jolly, Sue Limb, Katie Fforde will each lead 20 minute activities.
- 2 - 2.45 pm** Why I Love my Library creative poster-making session with illustrator Hannah Shaw. For children (and older children!)
- 2 - 2.45 pm** "Deficit Hysteria and Alternatives to the Cuts" a presentation by PhD Student James Beecher
- 2.45 - 3.15pm** Children's author Jamila Gavin
- 3.15 - 4pm** Discussion on how to take the campaign forward.
- 4pm** Rally outside Stroud Library

Part of a National Day of Action co-ordinated locally by Friends of Gloucestershire libraries. Sign their petition at <http://foclibrary.wordpress.com/>

**"Public Libraries are priceless, reading is free, bliss is a good book, and a nice cup of tea!"**  
- Jeff Cloves

