

The future of Sheffield's library services

Proposed operating model -Service Offer

Hub Libraries (run by SCC Libraries, Archives & Information Services)

- Paid staff
- Open for at least 31 hours per week
- Maintain level of book stock and materials and stock circulation
- Introduce e-book lending service
- Introduce wi-fi
- Book lending, request /reservation service and inter-library loan
- Photocopying services
- Children's books and activities
- Reading groups
- Newspapers
- CD and DVD hire
- Free access to computers and the internet for all via the People's Network
- Reader development activities
- Books in a broad range of community languages
- Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID)
- On-line catalogue

Community Run Libraries

- Energy costs, cleaning costs, waste disposal, rental costs
- Book and material stock, and stock circulation (provided by central support)
- Introduce e-book lending
- SCC staff support and guidance for up to 15 hours per week
- Book lending, request/reservation service and inter-library loan
- Photocopying service
- Newspapers
- CD& DVD hire
- Free access to computers and the internet for all via the People's Network (computer maintenance provided by central support)
- Reader development activities (provided by central support)
- Books in a broad range of community languages
- Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID)
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Independent Libraries

- Book stock contained in the particular library
- Furnishings subject to agreement
- Building subject to negotiation with the Council's Property and Facilities Management service, likely to require full market rent.

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