

Lancashire libraries consultation 2016

This consultation can be completed online at **www.lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay**. However, if you would prefer to complete a paper copy then:

- 1. Please read the instructions carefully and use blue or black pen to fill in the questionnaire.
- 2. Please check you have answered all the appropriate questions.
- 3. Return your completed questionnaire to a library staff member, or mail it to 'Have your say, Lancashire County Council, PO Box 100, Preston, PR1 0LD'.

The county council continues to face an unprecedented financial challenge. Over the next five years to 2020/21 the council needs to make savings of £262m on top of those agreed within previous budget processes. This extremely difficult financial picture is the result of continued cuts in funding by Government, rising costs and rising demand for key services.

Based on current spending and forecast demand for services, the council will not have sufficient financial resources to meet its statutory obligations by April 2018, even if we no longer continue to deliver any of the non-statutory services. The council will need to rely heavily on reserves in order to set a balanced budget for 2016/17 and 2017/18.

Lancashire County Council will continue to provide a library service for the communities of Lancashire. Our vision of the library service for Lancashire is a place for people across generations to use for personal and community wellbeing, which offers flexible, physical, virtual, creative, spaces for the community. They will promote access to and use of the resources needed to encourage personal development, learning and community engagement.

Lancashire County Council wants to understand what you would like from this space.

This space will be developed in response to individual community need. We are passionate about creating opportunities which give people the potential to develop in areas they choose themselves. These physical flexible spaces will be used to promote learning, arts, performance, social activity, digital inclusion, families, heritage and wellbeing. The spaces we aim to provide will enable our communities to enjoy an environment which has been tuned to their needs. The spaces need to be safe for everyone and comfortable.

We value your views about the library service you want and encourage you to fill in this questionnaire and express your comments in the space provided in question 15.

Your use of the library service

1	Which of the following best describes you? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY	
	I am a current library member I am a current member of a library outside Lancashire I used to be a library member, but I'm not anymore I've never been a library member Don't know	
2	How often, if at all, have you visited any of the star provided by Lancashire County Library Service, in months? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY More than once a week About once a week About once a month About once every six months About once in the last 12 months Not visited in the last 12 months	
3	On your last visit did you visit? PLEASE TICK AS MANY AS APPLY Alone With adults With children or young people (aged under 20) With a young person with a disability (aged 20-25)	 → go to Q7
4	If you have not visited a library in Lancashire in the when was the last time you visited one? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY More than 12 months ago but less than 2 years ago More than 2 years ago but less than 5 years ago Longer than 5 years ago Never Don't know	e last 12 months,

5	Why haven't you visited a library in Lancashire in the last 12 months? PLEASE TICK AS MANY AS APPLY							
	Inconvenient opening times							
	I didn't find what I was looking for on my last visit							
	Nearest library is too far away							
	Difficulty getting to the library							
	Prefer to buy books/ebooks online							
	Prefer to buy books from a bookshop							
	Have the internet at home so no need to use the library							
	Nothing of interest in the library							
	Don't like reading							
	No time or too busy							
	Other							
	Don't know							

6 What, if anything, would encourage you to use the Lancashire more? PLEASE TICK AS MANY AS APPLY	e libraries in
If there was computer or internet access there	
If one was nearer to me	
A wider range of books or other loan materials	
A wider range and frequency of activities and events	
Nearer to other local facilities, eg shops, café, post office, bank	
Nearer to a bus stop	
Nearer to a train station	
Improved baby changing facilities	
Improved car parking facilities	
Opened when I need it	
Other	
Nothing	
Don't know	Go to Q8)

7 If you have visited a library in Lancashire in the last year, which library do you use most often?							
PLEASE TICK ONE O							
Accrington		Eccleston		Ormskirk			
Adlington		Euxton		Oswaldtwistle			
Ansdell		Fleetwood		Padiham			
Bacup		Freckleton		Parbold			
Bamber Bridge		Fulwood		Penwortham			
Barnoldswick		Garstang		Pike Hill			
Barrowford		Great Harwood		Poulton			
Bolton-le-Sands		Halton		Rawtenstall			
Briercliffe		Harris (Preston)		Read			
Brierfield		Haslingden		Ribbleton			
Burnley		Heysham		Rishton			
Burnley Campus		Ingol		Rosegrove			
Burscough		Kingsfold		Savick			
Carnforth		Kirkham		Sharoe Green			
Chatburn		Knott End		Silverdale			
Chorley		Lancaster		Skelmersdale			
Clayton Green		Leyland		St.Annes			
Clayton-le-Moors		Longridge		Tarleton			
Cleveleys		Longton		Thornton			
Clitheroe		Lostock Hall		Trawden			
Coal Clough		Lytham		Upholland			
Colne		Mellor		Whalley			
Coppull		Morecambe		Wheatley Lane			
Crawshawbooth		Nelson		Whitworth			
Earby		Northfleet					

8 When was the last time you did each of the following, if at all, in a Lancashire library? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING								
	In the last week	In the last month	In the last year	Longer ago	Never	Don't know		
Borrowed a book from a library								
Used a computer in a library								
Used free wi-fi in a library								
Borrowed a CD, DVD or talking book from a library								
Read a newspaper or magazine in a library								
Attended a children's event or activity at a library								
Attended a social or group activity at a library								
Used the library for reference or research purposes								
Used the online library service								
Reserved a book online								
Picked up other information from a library								
Hired a room at a library for a social or group function								

9 When was the last time, if at all, you used each of the following library services? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH SERVICE

	In the last week	In the last month	In the last year	Longer ago	Never	Don't know
Mobile Library Service						
Home Library Service						
A library not provided by Lancashire County Council						

10 In the last 12 months, have you used any of these digital (online) library services in a library, outside a library, or not at all? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH SERVICE

	In a library	Outside of a library	Not used, but aware of	Not used, and not aware of
Catalogue search				
Renewed a loaned item				
Requested an item				
Asked a question				
Reported a problem				
Joined the library				
Updated your details				
Requested or reset your PIN				
Downloaded an ebook or audiobook				
Booked a computer				
Checked social media account				
Searched online reference resources e.g, Ancestry, British Library Newspapers, Newsbank, British Standards, Cobra Business Advisor, World Book and Oxford Dictionaries				

11	Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the library service in Lancashire? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY						
	Very satisfied Fairly satisfied Neither satisfied or dissatisfied Fairly dissatisfied Very dissatisfied Don't know						
12	Overall, which of the following library services do you co the <u>most important</u> ? PLEASE TICK <u>UP TO FIVE</u> SERVICES	nsider to be					
	Borrowing a book from a library Using a computer in a library						
	Using free wi-fi in a library Borrowing a CD, DVD or talking book from a library						
	Reading a newspaper or magazine in a library Attending a children's event or activity at a library						
	Attending a social or group activity at a library Using the library for reference or research purposes						
	Using the online library service Reserving a book online						
	Picking up other information from a library Using the Mobile Library Service						
	Hiring a room at a library for a social or group function Using the Home Library Service						
	Something else						

13	How strongly do you agree or disagree that the Lancashire County Library Service should provide the following? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY FOR EACH OF THE FOLLOWING								
		Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know		
	Easy to use online services								
	Spaces to enjoy culture and learning								
	Support our communities to stay healthy								
	Opportunities for volunteers to help in our libraries								
	Help people reach their potential and live independent lives								
	Encourage people to enjoy reading								
	Helpful and knowledgeable staff								

14	When would you be <u>most</u> likely to visit a library if the following times were available? PLEASE TICK AS MANY AS APPLY									
		8am- 9:59am	10am- 11:59am	12pm- 13:59pm	2pm- 3:59pm	4pm- 5:59pm	6pm- 8pm			
	Monday									
	Tuesday									
	Wednesday									
	Thursday									
	Friday									
	Saturday									
	Sunday									

15 Do you have any suggestions or other comments about the Lancashire County Library Service? PLEASE WRITE IN THE BOX BELOW

About you

To ensure that we meet the needs of all residents, it is important that we ask you a few questions about yourself. As with all the questions your answers will be completely confidential. However, if you do not wish to answer a question, please leave it blank and go on to the next one.

16	Are you? PLEASE TICK AS MANY AS APPLY	
	A Lancashire resident	
	An employee of Lancashire County Council	
	An elected member of Lancashire County Council	
	An elected member of a Lancashire district council	
	An elected member of a parish or town council in Lancashire	
	A local business owner	
	A member of a library friends group	
	A member of a voluntary or community organisation	
	Other (please write in)	
17	Are you? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY Male Female	
17	PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY Male	
17 18	PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY Male Female Have you ever identified as transgender? Transge who lives, or wants to live, fulltime in the gender of they were assigned at birth. PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY Yes No	
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20	Are you a deaf person or do you have a disability? The Equality Act 2010 defines a disabled person as someone who has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY							
			Yes No					
21	Are there any children in you PLEASE TICK AS MANY AS APPLY	Ir house	nold aged un	der 20?				
	No, but Yes, aged Yes, aged expecting under 5 5-8	Yes, age 9-11	ed Yes, aged 12-16	Yes, aged 17-19	No children aged under 20			
22	Are there any children with a PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION		Yes No					
23	Which best describes your e PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY	thnic ba	ckground?					
E	Vhite English/Welsh/Scottish/Northern Irish/British Gypsy or Irish Traveller Any other White background Black or Black British Caribbean African		White ar	ian British Ind Pakist Banglade Chine Black Caribbe Ind Black Afric White and As	ani			
	Arab							
	Any other ethnic group (write in belo	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						

24 What is your religion? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY			
No religion		Hindu	
Christian (including CofE, Catholic, Protestant and all other denominations)		Jewish	
	_	Muslim	
Buddhist		Sikh	
		Any other religion	

25 Are you in a marriage or civil partnership? PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY	
Marriage	
Civil partnership	
Prefer not to say	
None of these	

26 How would you describe your PLEASE TICK ONE OPTION ONLY	sexu	al orientation?	
Straight (heterosexual)		Lesbian/gay woman	
Bisexual		Other	
Gay man		Prefer not to say	

27	What is your postcode? PLEASE WRITE IN

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