

MOTION ON NOTICE

30 January 2017



Saving Plymouth's Libraries - #SavePlymLibraries

- Plymouth City Council reconfirms its commitment to the letter and the spirit of the Public Libraries and Museums Act 1964, that each authority must run a **“comprehensive and efficient”** public library service for all persons”. This is “comprehensive and efficient” for the *user* and not for the Council.
- Plymouth's libraries are vital for children who want to learn to read, adults who can't afford to buy books, people who use the computers and printers to find a job, do research, family history and to access online services. They provide book groups, children's events, and a host of other activities, organised both by the libraries and other groups. They are staffed by helpful professionals, and are valuable free, public spaces in a world that charges for everything.

Plymouth City Council resolves:

1. To establish a Select Committee Review to report and make recommendations to Cabinet by Wednesday 19th July 2017, based on the information used to create the Plan for Libraries 2017-20, any other information that the Review gathers, and the results of the current consultation.
2. That any final decision on whether to close or re-provide any library service resulting from the Plan for Libraries consultation be referred to Council for consideration as to whether to endorse it.

Proposed by Councillor J Taylor

Signed (Via Email)

Seconded by Councillor Morris

Signed (Via Email)

Dated 23/01/17