

Wirral Schools Forum
School's Library Service Update
6th July 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report updates the Forum on the recent changes to the Schools' Library Service and the service plans for the future.

BUDGET

The Schools library Service is a de-delegated service, mainly for Primary Schools although other schools can access services on request. Funding provides for a budget of £191,700, the equivalent of £7.89 per primary school pupil. The make up of the budget is shown below.

2016-17

Staffing	£96,300
Other costs including book fund	£63,100
Premises Charge	£30,000
Support Services Recharge	£13,600
Income	(£11,300)
TOTAL	£191,700

During the year the service was re-located and is now based at the Wirral Hospital school site.

2016-17 PRIORITIES

- To maintain current level of book, artefact loans and audio visual resource provision for schools as a standard service
- Plans for income generation through additional services to schools, allowing academy buy-back and a secondary schools e book service (under discussion.)

STAFFING

There are currently 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ FTE members of staff:

- 2 * 0.5 Schools' Librarian - job share
- 1 * 0.75 Assistant Schools' Librarian - $\frac{3}{4}$ post
- 1 Admin Support

Additional temporary staff members are employed three times a year to help facilitate the collection and delivery of resources to and from schools at the beginning and end of each term.

The service is based at:
Joseph Paxton Campus
157 Park Rd North,
Claughton
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This has been a positive move, located on a school campus in a more central position.

The attached newsletter for schools describes in more detail the services offered.

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Wirral Schools' Library Service

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