

Consultation on the future Delivery of Library Services

Fiona Brown
Director of People Services

Economy and Prosperity Scrutiny Committee

Background

- Consultation on the future delivery of library services
- Builds on the vision and principles set out in the first phase review in 2013
- Principles or components of local delivery:
 - Library Hubs
 - Community Libraries
 - Community Outreach
 - Digital Offer

Financial Position

- Overall funding pressures
- Reductions to the Library Services residual budget
- Opportunities for in-year response eg relocation of City Library and discussions with external organisations to deliver other services alongside library services

Consultation Process

- Publicity and online promotion
- Hardcopy survey
- Engagement sessions with elected members, voluntary sector organisations and networks and other stakeholders
- Engagement with young people via schools and the participation network

The Consultation

- Describes the library offer:
 - Reading offer
 - Information offer
 - Digital offer
 - Health offer
 - Learning offer
- Seeks information as to:
 - Range of services used
 - How they are accessed and how often
 - Which services are most valued

On-line via sunderland.gov.uk

Economy and Prosperity Scrutiny Committee

Consultation Timetable

Cabinet approval to consult	July 2016
Consideration of consultation by Scrutiny Committee	13 th September 2016
Consultation process and analysis of consultation outcomes	2 nd September – 25 th October 2016
Report outcomes of consultation process to Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet	November / December 2016
Implementation phase of new operating model, including consultation / engagement on new model	January – March 2017
New service operational	April 2017