

Library Review. Action Plan
November 2008

Access Points	Board meeting 15 th Dec. to be chaired by Alan Eastwood. Assistant Director Strategy and Commissioning to represent Adult Services including Libraries.
Community College / School use	Potential for Community College / Extended Schools to use library spaces on closed days. Charging mechanisms to be determined Meeting re Community College 11th December
Children's Centres	Blackrod Library to become part of Horwich Campus, by April 2009 Bromley Cross Library and Heaton Library planned 3 rd phase Children's Centres by March 2010, still subject to elected member approval (4 th December). Capital costs for internal works from Children's Centre programme. Project lead for libraries assigned. Building costs to be shared 50:50 .5 staffing paid for by Children's Services, guaranteed at each library to 2011
Active Aging/ Older Adults	Potential to share buildings discussed with Assistant Director Strategy and Commissioning. Fed into Adult Services Property Strategy. Time frame 2010 - 2011
Meeting facilities	Potential to market meeting space at most libraries (inc. closed days) and refurbished Lecture Theatre at Central Library. Subject to successful capital bids. Charging mechanisms to be determined
Mobile	Withdrawal of Mobile service as of April 2009. Subject to elected members' confirmation. Revenue savings £95,000 (See communication plan)
Refurbishments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Junior Library • Central Library Lecture Theatre Above are capital bids submitted for 2009-2010 Future bids include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harwood Library • Westhoughton Library Timeframe to be determined. Subject to capital support
New builds	With partners:-

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Lever Library – PCT, Finance, Community Centres, Access Points • Astley Bridge partners to be determined <p>Time frame 2010-2011(to be confirmed)</p>
Communications Plan	Prepared. Presentation to Libraries PDG 9 th December.
Costings	Finance briefed to supply: Running costs for Blackrod, Bromley Cross, Heaton Libraries Potential rental charges for Westhoughton and Oxford Grove Libraries.
Stock & ICT	Stock rotation programme to cater for community library collections. Smaller collections linked to local requirements, refreshed more frequently. Self service facility for shared buildings to enable access to loan stock when building being used by partners.
Timetable review	Move to a model of staffing which reflects the offer in each service point. This will comprise a combination of full time and standardised part time posts reflecting requirements at busier periods. e.g. at a Community Library and Children's Centre. Current establishment 3 members of staff covering all opening hours. With shared working could reduce to 2 covering all hours plus part time member working over lunch time / after school period.