

To receive a report from the Community Hub Team Leader and consider any actions or associated expenditure.

The Library Hub service is now preparing to implement long awaited plans to move to its temporary home to the Guildhall. It has been somewhat difficult to plan activities and events throughout 2023 due to the stop/start nature of the listed planning and tender progress, however we have had a full July programme of events and activities led by The Summer Reading Challenge 'Ready, Set, Read'..

Currently over 270 have signed on with the help of eight young SRC volunteers. Cornwall Council's target was 199 so we are well past that. The Library Hub has organised events around the challenge:- childrens movement and yoga classes, kite making craft and a popular treasure hunt. Prizes have been donated by The Core (Climbing sessions) and The Leisure Centre (Swimming sessions). We are also promoting the Lionesses football team with wall charts supplied by C.C. The Summer Reading Challenge finishes on 16th September.

The June environment month had very successful activities, presentations and events culminating in the final SWW grant funded Animal Encounters 'Habitats of the World'.

We were also able to plan a Home Library Service Information morning event for July 28th which we will build the service from (To date we have a new volunteer serving a new local HLS resident) as well as having a fantastic Toy Swap on Saturday 22nd July and hope to have regular swaps over the coming months.

The monthly Saturday Book Club launch with author Teresa Driscoll on 15th July was another success working alongside the monthly Saturday Writers Group.

It has been tricky planning activities and events for August/September without knowing details of refurbishment timings. Currently we are jumping a month or two ahead each time in our scheduling until a firm date is confirmed. (September is Autumn Environment Month and October will include the Libraries week Literary Festival). We will be able to schedule 12 months ahead again when we know the confirmed schedule of works dates.

Cornwall Council Library Survey was previously circulated to Councilor's with the CHTL update report and Saltash Library Survey was generally excellent. C.C. were very pleased with the results. Key on the public wish list was public and availability of drinks. PDF result sheets attached.

End of report

Community Hub Team Leader