

Library Phased Reopening Plan July 2020

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Health & Safety Preparation

Risk assessments have been produced for buildings, mobile libraries service, home library service and book delivery.

Risk assessments will be finalised by w/c 15th June.

H&S training for staff will be conducted w/c 22nd and 29th June.

Cleaners will be returning to buildings from Monday 22nd June.

Choose and Collect available in most libraries



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Choose and Collect

From 6th July

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Browse the online catalogue to see what is available at your local library
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Call or email your local library to order your books
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Collect from your local library

The stock team are already back on site preparing for reopening and completing tasks they have been unable to action when working from home.

All current loans have been extended to end of **August**

Four Pilot Libraries to open from Monday 6th July

Braunton, Brixham, Chudleigh and Honiton will open with limited public access to the building and bookable sessions on the public access PCs.

These will be trial sites and we anticipate further roll out of our reopening plans from Monday 20th July with 12 additional libraries to be reopened and remaining libraries opening over the coming weeks. Read more [here](#).

Anticipated reopening dates for:

- **Barnstaple - Monday 27th July**
- **Exeter - Monday 27th July**
- **The Hayridge - Monday 27th July**
- **Ivybridge - Monday 27th July**
- **Newton Abbot - Monday 27th July**



Online events and activities will continue and a team are curating an online programme to run from July to December.

We will be following national guidance on social distancing and safety precautions.

Please note that our phased reopening plan will be in line with government guidance and any changes to restrictions may alter our plans.

Reopening for a handful of libraries is currently being negotiated with landlords. Some buildings may remain closed until the autumn.



Planned return for mobile libraries from Monday 13th July - reduced and socially distanced service.

Book delivery in selected libraries only

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Book Delivery

Local Book Delivery service allowing people that live local to a library access to books and other physical stock



Delivery by bike or on foot



Available at selected libraries



Books by post - order from Exeter Library (postal charge for this service)

From
Monday
22nd June

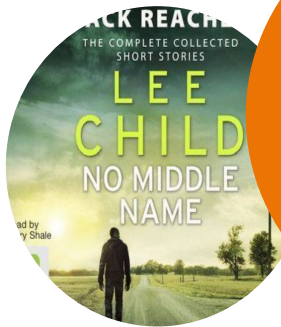
Home Library Service

We plan to resume this service from Monday 13th July. Extra consideration is needed in terms of social distancing for this customer group.



NEW event starts Thursday 18th June

We have gathered together some of the greatest library and community minds and thought pioneers from around the world to share their insights into creating meaningful roadmaps for this uncharted territory of the new normal. Presented in partnership with Libraries Connected and the Wellcome Centre for Cultures and Environments of Health (WCCEH). To find out more [click here](#).



Our digital library is open 24/7 offering an extensive range of eBooks, eAudiobooks & eMagazines.

Summer Reading Challenge launches online on Saturday 4th July with a live event.

With the disruption caused by Covid-19 and the impact of social distancing on schools, the 2020 digital challenge is designed to keep children engaged and interested in reading. The challenge is targeted at children aged 4-11 years old. *The Summer Reading Challenge runs until Saturday 5th September.*

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