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ON THE FUTURE OF Libraries, Registration and Archives in Kent

kent.gov.uk/lrastrategy

Consultation period:

21 November 2018 to
29 January 2019



We want to know what you think of our draft 3 year strategy for Libraries, and our proposal to tier our libraries and review opening hours

The draft strategy is available at kent.gov.uk/lrastrategy or from your local library.

To tell us your views, complete the questionnaire via our website, or pick up a hard copy from the Library, before 29 January 2019

HOW IT AFFECTS BOROUGH GREEN

KCC's intentions are to downgrade our library to "Community Plus" reducing opening hours to 28 per week.

Borough Green has been designated by TMBC as a "Rural Service Centre", and we are the hub village for all our neighbouring parishes.

We have a library that matches the needs of its catchment area, and it is perverse to downgrade it just as they are deciding to build 1000s more houses.

MORE AT www.boroughgreen.gov.uk

	Town Plus	Town	Community Plus	Community	Small Community
Library location	Located in large highly populated towns	Located in large highly populated towns, and villages	Located in small towns, villages and suburban communities	Located in villages and suburban communities	Located in smaller villages and suburban communities
Library building	Large building often co-located with partner services	Large and medium buildings some co-located with partner services	Medium and small buildings some co-located with partner services	Small buildings some co-located with partner services	Small buildings some co-located in community and village centres.
Weekly staffed opening hours	42	37	28	23	15
Stock available	Large	Good range	Range of adult	Range of adult	Core stock

Proposed tiers and opening hours

Appendix C provides a breakdown of libraries and details of current opening hours compared to proposed hours.

Town plus <i>(open 42 hours a week)</i>	Town <i>(open 37 hours a week)</i>	Community plus <i>(open 28 hours a week)</i>	Community <i>(open 23 hours a week)</i>	Small community <i>(open 15 hours a week)</i>
Ashford	Birchington	Allington	Ashen Drive	Ash
Canterbury	Broadstairs	Bearsted	Aylesham	Bockhanger
Dartford	Dover	Borough Green	Charing	Boughton
Deal	Edenbridge	Cheriton	East Peckham	Dashwood
Gravesend	Faversham	Cliftonville	Hadlow	Hildenborough
Herne Bay	Folkestone	Coldharbour	Hartley	Longfield
Maidstone	Hythe	Coxheath	Hawkhurst	Newington (<i>Ramsgate</i>)
Margate	Larkfield	Cranbrook	Headcorn	Queenborough