

LIBRARIES BULLETIN

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Welcome to the March issue of the Libraries Bulletin.

The first 15 Libraries consultation ended on the 8th February 2019, thank you to everyone who participated in the events and helped to answer the questions that were raised. The consultation on the remaining 8 will end on the 22nd March 2019, these have also been well attended, and we would like to thank all those who have participated in the events too. The team are busy analysing the data and the outcome will be presented as part of the wider paper at the cabinet meeting on the 14th May 2019.

Consultation Proposal

The remaining eight library transformation proposals are still open for consultation. If you haven't already done so, please encourage the community to have their say on the proposals. The consultation for the eight libraries proposals will end on the 22nd March 2019.

The feedback from the consultation will be used to inform the cabinet paper on which the final decisions are made on the library service on the 14th May 2019.

The Questionnaire can be found here:

<https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/council-and-democracy/have-your-say/Pages/current-consultations.aspx>

Business Plan Events

In readiness for the next phase of the potential discussions, we are offering a workshop to help support community groups to complete their business plan. The business plan will allow NCC to undertake due diligence on the robustness of the proposals and ensure that the Library will be sustainable in the future.

Much of the information that is included in the plan can be re-used when the groups are applying for other funding streams, so this information can be used multiple times.

A draft business plan template will be sent out in due course, in advance of the workshops. The dates for the workshop are:

Wednesday 17th April 2019 10:30 – 13:30

Wednesday 24th April 2019 10:00 – 13:00

The community groups that we are working with will receive more information and an invitation to book a place at one of the workshops shortly.

In other news:

Science Day at Weston Favell Library. Saturday 16th March 10:00am-4:00pm

In association with Northamptonshire Natural History Society to hold this fantastic FREE Science Day offers a number of hands-on activities for children (and their parents.)

Shakespeare Crafts at Weston Favell Library.

Saturday 23rd March 2:00pm-3:00pm

Celebrating Shakespeare week 18th to 24th March come along and make your very own Globe Theatre and masks!

Ceilidh at Kettering Library. Friday 5th April at 7pm

£5 per ticket

Kettering Lace Group workshop at Kettering Library.

Saturday 6th April 10-4pm.

For ages 10yrs and up

Memory Café at Kettering Library. Saturday 13th April at 11am.

Magic the Gathering at Kettering Library.

Saturday 13th April at 2pm.

For ages 14+

Murder Mystery Evening at Kettering Library

Friday 26th April 7pm

£5 per ticket

Rothwell Library

Wednesday 17th April 10.30 onwards

All Welcome.

Stalls, bonnet making, crafts, homemade cakes, quiz winner announced and a raffle.

To celebrate Shakespeare Day - Friends of Rothwell Library Presents:

Much Ado About The Library! Wednesday 20th

March 10.30 – 12.00

Join us for drinks and homemade cakes

Please see your local library Facebook pages for more information – happy reading!