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Request:

1. How many libraries does the authority have now and how many did it have in 2011?

The authority has 14 libraries now. It had 15 in 2011.

2. How many of your libraries have passed to volunteers or third-party operators since 2011?

None.

3. How many of your libraries have had hours reduced since 2011?

All 14 libraries have had hours reduced since 2011.

4. How many people work in your libraries now and how many worked in them in 2011?

142 work in our libraries currently; 144 worked in them in 2011.

5. Please outline the authority's total spending on libraries in each of the last five financial years.

Financial Total Net Annual

Year - Expenditure £m - Spend £m

2020-21 - Not Available - 5,941

2019-20 - 6,016 - 5,483

2018-19 - 5,527 - 5,009

2017-18 - 4,727 - 4,299

2016-17 - 4,796 - 4,202

Note: 2020-21 actual spend figures are not available yet, so annual budget figure is supplied

6. Please outline the authority's spending on library stock in each of the last five financial years.

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Financial Total - please also see the attached document.

Year - Expenditure £

2020-21 - 282,698

2019-20 - 312,755

2018-19 - 309,955

2017-18 - 286,217

2016-17 - 332,835

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