



Reference: RFI 1704095

**Request:**

I would like to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please would you tell me:

1. The number of total visits to your libraries during the calendar years 2015, 2016 and 2017 to date.

Please see the table below, 2017 data is to the end of March

<b>Visits</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Battle Hill	30,012	30,998	7,428
Cullercoats	22,421	23,991	5,604
Dudley	28,195	27,454	7,532
Forest Hall	19,643	22,422	4,937
Howdon	34,669	30,075	6,583
Killingworth	107,934	100,504	22,128
Longbenton	64,745	62,353	15,587
Monkseaton	25,652	25,415	5,918
North Shields	537,055	544,621	133,265
Shiremoor	29,584	26,883	7,201
Tynemouth	17,445	16,359	3,863
Wallsend	364,552	373,646	93,759
Whitley Bay	372,678	303,193	70,507
Wideopen	21,481	22,613	6,006
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,676,063</b>	<b>1,610,526</b>	<b>390,315</b>

2. The number of books borrowed from your libraries during the calendar years 2015, 2016 and 2017 to date.

Please see the table below, 2017 data is to the end of March

<b>Issues</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Battle Hill	16,964	15,945	3,905
Cullercoats	21,612	21,034	5,047
Dudley	16,340	16,734	4,095
Forest Hall	17,876	17,188	3,749
Howdon	16,850	14,048	3,086
Killingworth	45,493	43,528	11,599
Longbenton	18,071	17,561	4,107
Monkseaton	29,403	28,741	7,123

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<b>Issues</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
North Shields	135,007	119,756	29,316
Shiremoor	21,363	20,013	4,859
Tynemouth	11,607	11,757	3,435
Wallsend	78,602	68,754	16,388
Whitley Bay	127,956	116,095	28,472
Wideopen	22,549	22,729	6,074
<b>Totals</b>	<b>579,693</b>	<b>533,883</b>	<b>131,255</b>

3. The top 10 most borrowed library books across the network in 2016.

Please see table below:

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>
Archer, Jeffrey	Cometh the hour
Child, Lee	Make me
Baldacci, David	The Guilty
Hawkins, Paula.	The Girl on the train.
Patterson, James	NYPD Red. 4
Child, Lee.	Personal.
Connelly, Michael	The Crossing
Robb, J.D	Brotherhood in death
Rankin, Ian	Even dogs in the wild
Baldacci, David	The Last mile

For both questions, please break this down by each library and by year, so it is possible to see the activity levels at each library for the years stated.