

SCRUTINY: Finance Review Group (FRG)

AGENDA ITEM

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SUBJECT: LIBRARY STRATEGY

PURPOSE

 To endorse the draft strategy attached at Appendix B and draft IIA attached at Appendix C as well as approve the recommendation provided in the draft Executive report outlined in Appendix A.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2. The Finance Review Groups are recommended to support the adoption of the modern library strategy (at Appendix A), which has been developed in consultation with local people and focuses on:
 - a. aligning the Library offer with strong outcomes to benefit communities;
 - b. providing sustainable and safe warm spaces for communities to learn and grow;
 - c. enhance and increase the digital offer;
 - d. co-locating library services with partner organisations so several services to be accessed in one visit;
 - e. increasing the use of trained volunteers;
 - f. replacing poorly used library collections; and
 - g. seeking investment in libraries to instil civic pride through a modern and vibrant offer.

REPORT

3. The Library Strategy is provided in the draft Executive report attached at Appendix A.

PROPOSAL/OPTION

4. The proposals and options are outlined in Appendix A.

APPENDIX

Appendix A - Executive Report

Appendix B - Library Strategy

Appendix C - IIA

Appendix D - Consultation Report

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS (if any)

There are no background papers to the report.