

COMMITTEE: BRAMINGHAM & SUNDON PARK AREA

DATE: 9TH JANUARY 2003

SUBJECT: OPENING HOURS -- SUNDON PARK LIBRARY

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL	COMMUNITY SAFETY	
EQUALITIES	ENVIRONMENT	
FINANCIAL	CONSULTATIONS	✓
STAFFING	OTHER	

WARDS AFFECTED: SUNDON PARK

PURPOSE

1. To inform members of the result of the consultation in Sundon Park in regard to the Library Opening Hours.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. **Bramingham & Sundon Park Area Committee is recommended to** note the results.

BACKGROUND

3. The Area Committee requested that the opening hours at Sundon Park were reviewed. No increase was possible, so customers and non-users were asked if they wanted to change the opening hours or whether existing hours were convenient.
4. Over 3000 questionnaires were distributed throughout Sundon Park. Details are given in the Appendix, as are details of the responses. 114 replies were received, with the majority, 61% asking that the opening hours stay as they are. 41% of respondents also requested that the late opening remain as Thursday. It is therefore suggested that opening hours remain as they are until the Council is in a position to increase hours.

Existing opening hours are;

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	9.30 am – 5.30 pm (Closed 1-2 pm)
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	9.30 am – 7.00 pm (Closed 1-2 pm)
Friday	2.00 pm – 5.30 pm
Saturday	9.30 am – 1.00 pm

PROPOSAL/OPTION

5. Opening hours to remain as now

CONSULTATION IMPLICATIONS

6. The council's consultation officer was involved in agreeing the questionnaire. Over 3000 were distributed. 114 responses were received.

APPENDIX

7. Appendix A: Results of Survey, with details of where the questionnaires were deposited/circulated

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100D

8. There are no background papers relating to this report