

CENTRAL MILTON KEYNES LIBRARY ENGAGEMENT

Date: 6th July 2015

Time: 6–7pm

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM ENGAGEMENT

<p>Is the concept of developing a community facility in the library an attractive one?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Worth contacting Community Foundation and Arts Central.</i>
<p>Would the location of a nursery be of interest?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Where would the Buggies go – would they take over and not allow anything else to go in the space? It is one of balance.</i>
<p>Would you be interested in operating a café/coffee shop within the building?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Would it bring in enough income?</i>
<p>Do you have any proposals or ideas for additional uses for the building(s)?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Involvement with museums but more interactive for children.</i> • <i>Have doubts about the reference library section – long out of date – and it is too large now – should it be made smaller more IT driven.</i> • <i>CMK should be a destination for information. (Tourist Info)</i> • <i>The area at the back although not popular – should be made into chargeable parking bays. (Income to the Council)</i> • <i>The land is high premium ‘real estate’ value in CMK should be promoted to businesses as such ‘competitive rates’ / talk to commissioners ‘ commercial offer.</i> • <i>Large numbers of Pentecostal churches looking for space</i> • <i>Use by the NHS for skype visits with GPs especially at weekends.</i> • <i>Health projects often seem to have money.</i> • <i>Craft/vintage fairs.</i> • <i>Much more use at night – music practice.</i> • <i>Try to engage with the circuits of pop-up theatres, dance events etc.</i> • <i>Sleepovers in the children’s library!</i> • <i>Try Barclays Bank and their promotion of IT champions.</i> • <i>Getting money for IT through our help with Universal credit.</i>
<p>What other services could you bring in to use the libraries and contribute?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Prepared to pay subscriptions on web access – perhaps a scale of membership gold, silver, bronze and also free options for people who can’t pay.</i> • <i>Director of CAB in my group – already looking at possible working arrangement - put him in touch with library contact to discuss further possible IT links with them.</i>
<p>Would the idea of a fully automated option be a good one in order to extend opening hours?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Need large print screens for visually impaired.</i>