

# Save **our** Library!

## **Sea Mills Library will close next year but **We Can Save it ...****

How to save it ...

- **Fill in the council's consultation  
before 30th June deadline**

**[www.BristolFutureLibraries.co.uk](http://www.BristolFutureLibraries.co.uk)**

**or pick up a paper form in Sea Mills Library**

**If you don't act NOW you will lose free access to:**

- Books, newspapers and magazines.
- Computer, internet and printing.
- Quiet space for reading, homework, etc.
- Baby bounce and rhyme (Tue, 10.45 am).
- Knit & natter group (Thurs, 2 pm).
- Sea Mills Over 55s Club.
- Adult reading group.
- School holiday activities.
- Silver Surfer sessions.
- Plus DVD film hire from just £1.

# Sea Mills Library needs your help!

Sea Mills Library has been placed outside Groups 1 & 2 and is **recommended for closure** in 2016.

To save it we need a large number of consultation forms submitted, all objecting to our library being put in the at risk of closure group.

Every member of your household can submit a form, even if you have done one for another library already.

Please complete the consultation before 30th June deadline...

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or pick up a **paper copy** in the library

**On the form tick NO to Sea Mills being in Group 3**

Do you agree with the proposal that this library sits outside of groups 1 and 2?

Yes

No

**In the 'please tell us why' question, you could echo what other local residents think ... as well as adding your views.**



All libraries in Bristol have been classified in the following groups.

**Group 1:** Libraries already delivering to a high service standard

**Group 2:** Libraries needing development to meet group 1 standards

**Group 3:** (Outside Group 1 & 2) Recommended for closure

<b>Council say:</b>	<i>"Poor Location: Standalone, Set apart from retail area."</i>
<b>Residents think:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is a destination in its own right.</li> <li>• It is between 2 local shopping areas, Westbury Lane &amp; the Square. Neither of which are very busy.</li> <li>• It is on main road, with on street parking &amp; bus stop outside.</li> <li>• Many people walk past it to get to bus stops, local schools &amp; shops.</li> <li>• It is central for both Sea Mills and Coombe Dingle Residents.</li> <li>• Community centre behind library - could be linked up to create community hub &amp; share toilets.</li> </ul>
<b>Council say:</b>	<i>"Relatively close to other libraries: Shirehampton &amp; Lawrence Weston libraries"</i>
<b>Residents think:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would be a long way for young or elderly to walk.</li> <li>• Poor bus connections.</li> <li>• Lawrence Weston library is just one small room. Both libraries only open 4 days a week, with no late night opening.</li> </ul> <p>(N.B Westbury-on-Trym library also threatened with closure)</p>
<b>Council say:</b>	<i>"Building in not particularly good condition: Built in 1930's, difficult to adapt, no public toilet, cramped staff area"</i>
<b>Residents think:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Large parts of north Bristol were built in 1930's too. Not a good reason to close.</li> <li>• Redecorated &amp; new furniture was purchased 2009.</li> <li>• Very solid, sound building, just needs routine maintenance &amp; has been neglected by Bristol City Council, e.g sign so faded cannot read it.</li> <li>• Double glazing was installed few years ago.</li> <li>• Inside light &amp; airy space.</li> <li>• Level access &amp; electric doors.</li> <li>• With imagination could adapt inside to add accessible toilet &amp; improve staff area.</li> </ul>

This leaflet was produced, funded and delivered by: Friends of Sea Mills Library. To find out more or to get involved in the friends group please see library notice boards or find us online...



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