

Barnet's libraries are changing

Over the coming months you will notice some big changes to your local library services. These changes will make sure all 14 libraries stay open and continue to be at the heart of the community for many years delivering a modern 21st century library

service.

Why are the changes taking place?

The council has to find £61.5 million of savings between now and 2020

Changes to the Library Service will contribute £2.2 million towards reducing the budget gap

The shape of the new service was agreed by the council in 2016, following a detailed review of the options and extensive consultation with residents

Our ongoing ambition is for libraries to continue to:

Help all children develop essential language, literacy and learning Skills

Provide residents with the skills to live independently

Bring people together

What's changing?

Increase to the total number of opening hours at 10 libraries (Core and Core Plus) using Self-Service Opening technology

Smaller libraries with more commercial space for hire/rent

Reduction in the number of staffed hours

Some changes to fees and charges

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Future opening hours and Self-Service Opening at East Finchley

From 1 April 2017 the number of staffed opening hours at East Finchley Library will be reduced and Self-Service Opening will be introduced enabling eligible library card holders to use the library during unstaffed opening hours.

Below shows indicative future opening times for East Finchley Library:

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Monday	7am – 9am	9am – 12:30pm	12:30pm – 10pm
Tuesday	7am – 10pm*		
Wednesday	7am – 2pm	2pm – 8pm	8pm – 10pm
Thursday	7am – 2pm	2pm – 5pm	5pm – 10pm
Friday	7am – 10pm*		
Saturday	7am – 9am	9am – 12:30pm	12:30pm – 5pm
Sunday	Closed		
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Unstaffed Self-Service Opening hours Staffed opening hours Library closed
Staffed opening hours
Library closed

* including 3 volunteer supported Self-Service Opening hours

Borrow, renew and return stock using the self-service kiosks

Place and collect reservations

Access Wi-Fi, e-books and e-audio books

During Self-Service Opening, library users will be able to:

Photocopy and print items

Read newspapers and periodicals

Use a PC to access online resources

Library Service Offer Most popular items for loan Community Some space Space for for study hire Core Chipping Barnet A range of Limited **E**ast Barnet activities for staffed children and hours older adults Osidge Self-Service Opening Horth Finchley Fkiern Barnet Edgware Mill Hill Burnt Oak Core Plus libraries will offer an extensive Colindale Church selection of stock and services Grahame Park South Friern New library opened East Finchley Core libraries will offer the most popular stock September 2016 and services Hendon New Garden Suburb library opening Partnership libraries will deliver a Spring community-based library offer 2017 Gølders Green Community libraries offer services outside the Barnet Library Service Childs Hill

Proposed changes at East Finchley Library

In addition to the changes to the service offered at East Finchley Library, there will be significant changes to the internal layout.

- The computer room and children's library to the front of the building will be converted to lettable spaces and will be re-provided in the main library space
- The remaining ground floor library will remain relatively unchanged but will be refurbished

To make these changes there will be periods of disruption and some temporary closure of the library.

We will try to notify library users in libraries and on our website at least 3 weeks before any temporary closure.

Indicative period of disruption

3 April – 7 August 2017