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Request:

1. How many libraries were operating within your remit in 2008? (Please state the location of those libraries).

RESPONSE: 15 - Battle Hill, Coast Road, Cullercoats, Fordley, Forest Hall, Howdon, Killingworth, Longbenton, Monkseaton, North Shields, Shiremoor, Tynemouth, Wallsend, Whitley Bay and Wideopen.

2. How many i) paid staff and ii) voluntary staff worked in those libraries in 2008?

RESPONSE: Head Count - i) 159 paid staff. ii) Volunteers - In 2008 we were assisted by the RVS to deliver our Libraries at Home service, approximately 9 volunteers.

3. How many libraries were operating within your remit in 2010? (Please state the location of those libraries).

RESPONSE: 15 - Battle Hill, Coast Road, Cullercoats, Dudley, Forest Hall, Howdon, Killingworth, Longbenton, Monkseaton, North Shields, Shiremoor, Tynemouth, Wallsend, Whitley Bay and Wideopen.

4. How many i) paid staff and ii) voluntary staff worked in those libraries in 2010?

RESPONSE: i) Head Count - 161 paid staff. ii) Volunteers - In 2010 we were assisted by the RVS to deliver our Libraries at Home service, approximately 9 volunteers.

5. How many libraries are operating within your remit currently? (Please state the location of those libraries).

RESPONSE: 14 - Battle Hill, Cullercoats, Fordley, Forest Hall, Howdon, Killingworth, Longbenton, Monkseaton, North Shields, Shiremoor, Tynemouth, Wallsend, Whitley Bay and Wideopen.

6. How many i) paid staff and ii) voluntary staff work in those libraries currently?

RESPONSE: i) Head Count - 123 paid staff. ii) Volunteers - Currently we are assisted by the RVS to deliver our Libraries at Home service, approximately 9 volunteers.

7. How many libraries, if any, has the council closed since i) 2008, and ii) 2010? (Please state the names of those libraries).

RESPONSE: i) Since 2008 - 1 - Coast Road

ii) Since 2010 - 1 - Coast Road

8. How many libraries, if any, have been transferred to be run by other community groups or organisations since i) 2008, and ii) 2010?

RESPONSE: i) Since 2008 - 0

ii) Since 2010 - 0