

25th March 2019 What's going on this week?



A bid to stop plans to close 25 libraries, and hand over several more to be "community-run" by volunteers, has failed in Essex last week. At a meeting of Essex County Council, an amendment was passed which did not rule out closures but agreed to explore using libraries as community hubs. At least 846 public libraries have been closed nationwide since 2010, according to figures from library association CILIP, which has left several local authorities with the lowest library provision in Europe.

Things to talk about at home...

- How often do you use libraries and what do you use them for?
- How do you think libraries could change to keep up with modern times? Do you think they need to?
- Do you think all schools should have their own library?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...





