# **FOPL consultation Report**

107 responses

	Yes	Yes with concerns/questions/conditions	No	Neither/not enough information
Under 18			1	
18-23			1	
23-34			1	
35-44	2		1	1
45-54	7	2	1	2
55-64	17		1	3
Over 65	33	17	4	6
Not stated	2	1	2	
Total:	61	21	12	13

## Reasons given for Yes responses

### No of mentions

1.	Keep library open/sustainable future for library/permanent building	26
2.	Near other facilities (GP/Shop/nursery)/All services in one place	24
3.	Energy efficient building, lower running costs, sharing resources	14
4.	Better/Good parking	12
5.	Modern, up-to-date facility,	11
6.	Better accessibility by foot, car and being on a bus route	9
7.	Central location	4
8.	No. 2 leading to more footfall	4
9.	Opportunity to create vibrant community village centre/focus for village	2
10.	Income generation possibility from room rental and services offered	2

Questi	No. of mentions	
1.	Library must have same space not less	17
2.	Will there be adequate parking (staff, shop, nursery, library etc)	12
3.	Road Safety Concerns (children crossing/one way road)	7
4.	Concerns about a lower library footfall as away from schools	7
5.	Who is responsible for running, upkeep, security of hub?	6
6.	Will library opening hours increase?	4
7.	Library must have store room, toilet, office, kitchen facilities	3
8.	Who owns the hub?	2
9.	Library must have same space for children away from rest of library	2

# More information/not sure either way

- Don't accept it is the only way to keep the library open
- Wrong side of A488 will affect footfall
- Misconception about who owns library now owned by school/Shropshire Council
- Not so accessible for schools but can see larger and better parking

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- Can't make decision until more information
- Didn't think there was a definite decision to build a hub, yet
- It will come down to cost will the hub cost more?
- Convenient for schools now, will parents, children still use as much?
- Will there be bike parking?

### Reasons for not moving the library to the hub

#### No. of mentions

1.	Stay where it is near shops/schools/village centre/community housing	4
2.	Road Safety concerns	3
3.	Unnecessary expense	2
4.	More traffic down Main St and/or Hall Bank	2
5.	Moving from the centre will affect footfall	2
6.	Less convenient location as not near Linley Avenue	1
7.	Like view to Earl's Hill don't want a 'Telford' development	1
8.	Less accessibility for old and infirm	1
9.	Car parking concerns	1
10.	Library should be independent of developers	1
11.	Longer walk, cars can park on road now	1
12.	I have a visually impairment so difficult to get there	1

### What services could be offered through community hub?

- Council services
- Community Advice and Information/what's on/community noticeboard/
- Pensions/tax/money advice drop-ins
- Citizen's Advice Bureau
- Parish Council Office
- MP/Councillor surgeries
- Police
- Tourist Information Centre
- Post Office
- IT and basic IT help/training
- Photocopying/printing
- Community Resource Centre
- Fast internet/wifi
- Digital projection facility
- Small business support/business listing

- Self-help networks to meet local need (e.g. Age UK, Dementia care)
- Health services e.g audiology,
  Community Care Coordinators dropins
- First Aid courses
- Toilets
- Cafe
- Small informal/not for profit/community meeting room/small groups meeting space
- Kitchen facilities
- Art Gallery
- Facilities for young people
- Electric car hook-up/bike parking
- Coffee mornings/volunteers meetings
- Book donations/swaps
- Need a social media site for hub activities

Some misconception that Council services will be provided so that people don't have to phone or go online – expectation needs to be managed.