## **Somerset Libraries Service**



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Dear Parish Clerk September 2016

## RE - Cross (mobile stop - Old Coach Road)

Following the Library Services Review in January 2015, recommendations were made to review all Mobile Library stops on an annual basis. Where usage falls below the criteria set, it was agreed that we would notify Parish councils where we would be withdrawing a Mobile Library stop.

Just to remind you the criteria are:

Withdrawing stops if unused for 3 consecutive visits

Withdrawing stops if there are less than 3 regular users

Withdrawing stops that are less than 3 miles from a Library or other Mobile Library stop

From the end of December 2016 we will be withdrawing stops that do not meet the above criteria, and where there are currently no members of the public accessing this service. (Please see above) If you are aware of someone within your Parish who is housebound or unable to get to a local Library due to disabilities or long term health needs we are able to offer the Home Library Service which is provided by the Royal Voluntary Service. To find out more information about how to access this service please go to the Somerset County Council Web site:

http://www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries-and-heritage/libraries-facilities/library-book-home-delivery/
Alternatively you may find the following link helpful with local transport options to enable people to access local Libraries.

http://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-transport/public-transport/

The new Mobile Library routes will be published on the Somerset County Council website on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2016. Please check this for alternative stops.

http://www.somerset.gov.uk/libraries-and-heritage/libraries-facilities/mobile-libraries/

If you have any questions relating to the proposals around the Mobile Library stops, please contact Mandy Lewis on 01823 340310 or email <a href="mailto:mlewis@somerset.gov.uk">mlewis@somerset.gov.uk</a>

Yours sincerely

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