

## Library Update 01/02/2025

The council officer in charge of the library move has sent us a revised plan for the library, which is shown below in a number of forms. Both latest and previous plans are shown. The Council officer has provided some answers to questions we've raised and these are itemised below. I think it is fair to say that some of the move appears to be evolving and may be subject to change. This is because it is staged move and so some of the timings are likely to be dependent on a number of factors with some building/decorating work to be completed. This means dates are very limited. Initially the meeting rooms and multi-purpose space will not be available. Events for these areas are to be relocated to the main library and study/computer areas.

1) When: Moving of stock, furniture and shelving is to begin in March, whilst keeping as much of the library as open as possible. But will close in late March.

2) Civic Library open: This library is due to open in early to mid April. (GCSE exams = May/June)

3) Children's library: The plan provided doesn't show sufficient shelving for the children's area. The officer has stated that the staff have worked on this and the area will have sufficient space and shelving. (NURA did supply a suggested layout last summer.)

4) Archive Search Room: This area has been increased. (Was 15.7 m<sup>2</sup> now 25.5 m<sup>2</sup>) Further discussions are taking place with National Archives and Libraries, so this may alter.

5) The museum has been repositioned.

6) Railings & safety features: Railings on the steps and ramp to the lift are to be installed. This is part of the Buildings Controls sign off and will include internal and external areas for the library.

7) Way finding: for visually impaired users is under discussion by the project team.

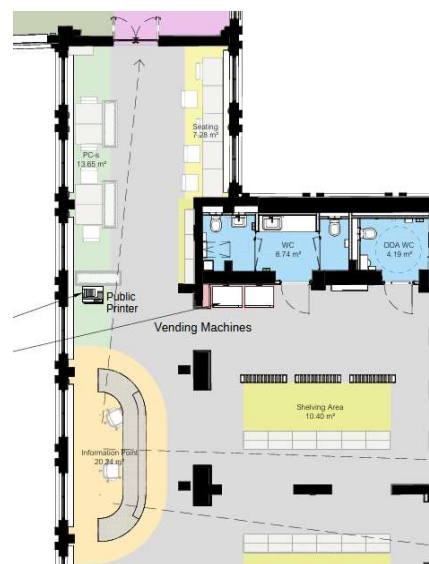
8) Hot & cold drinks: Vending machines for hot and cold drinks are to be provided, see adjacent diagram. It is intended to provide a water dispenser. (Not sure where.)

9) Public Printer: This is by the information desk. See adjacent diagram. (2pc's were removed to create space.)

10) Comfortable seating: Suitable seating is to be provided for all including groups such as The Working Age Parkinson Group.

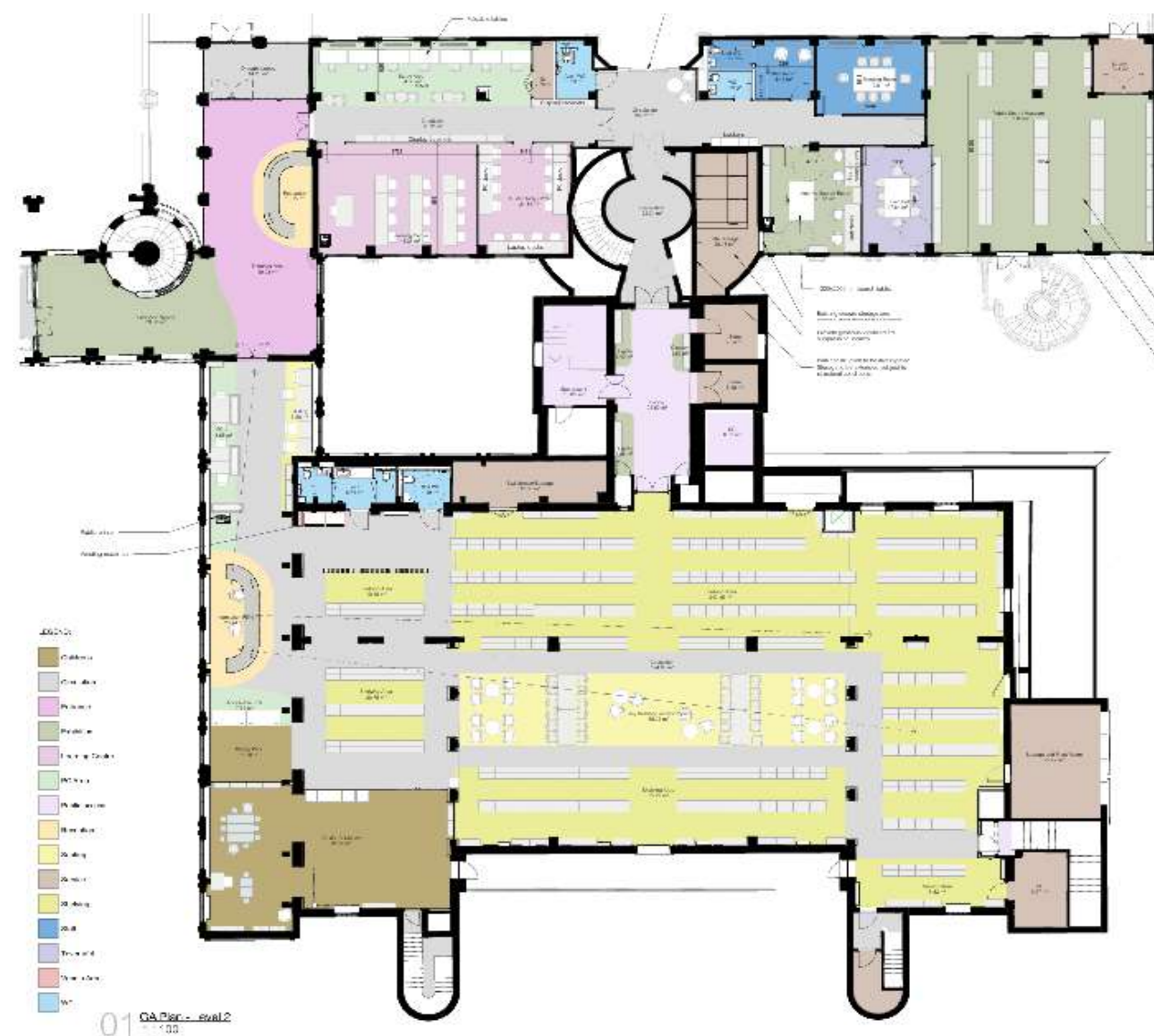
11) Register Office record Vault: This is to remain in its current location.

12) GCSE overspill: As there is less study and pc space in this scaled down version there will be inadequate capacity at these times. The multi-purpose area is to be used during these periods. (This move may incur during this years exams and this is to be raised with the council and suggestions made.)



14) Easy seating area South-east corner. 3 doorways have been added to the eastern wall and some re layout of the shelving has taken place. This has resulted in the SE corner area easy seating area disappearing.

(For sake of inconvenience the top of the page is designated north.)



## Register Office part of the plan

### Latest Plan



### Previous Plan



#### LEGEND:

|  |                 |
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|  | Childrens       |
|  | Circulation     |
|  | Entrance        |
|  | Exhibition      |
|  | Learning Centre |
|  | PC Area         |
|  | Public access   |

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
|  | Reception   |
|  | Seating     |
|  | Service     |
|  | Shelving    |
|  | Staff       |
|  | Tovertafel  |
|  | Vendin Area |
|  | WC          |

## Main Book Collection area

### Latest Plan



### Previous Plan

