Willenhall Local Neighbourhood Partnership Briefing

Library Modernisation Plan

Report of progress to date.

Willenhall

- Willenhall does not feature on the Modernisation Plan until Year 2 2007/08, however some progress has been made to improve access to the library. A new counter was fitted earlier this year which creates more space and eases congestion at the front of the library.
- Automatic doors have been fitted at the entrance to improve access for people with disabilities and parents with pushchairs.
- Willenhall is now open for the first time on Wednesday from 9.30 to 7.00 and this has proved extremely popular.

Forest Gate/New Invention

- An application has been made for "change of use" planning permission for New Invention and Walsall Wood.
- A meeting has been held with library equipment suppliers and we are currently awaiting a plan of the shelving layout.
- Once the layout has been agreed, tenders can be invited for the project to remove appropriate internal walls and install lighting.
- The project to relocate Forest Gate Library to the accommodation on New Invention Square will be completed within this financial year

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