**Library Statistics 2016**

The Library Service in South Dublin is a vibrant and essential service. Last year **1,002,379** citizens visited our 7 branches and 4 mobile libraries. On these occasions 1,075,266 transactions took place.

**Issues**

Desk: 369,268

RFID: 580,432

**Total Issues: 1,075,266** which includes 125,566 transactions (renewals)

Almost 5,000 events were organised by South Dublin Libraries last year for children and adults. These included literacy, cultural and educational events. As well as the 56 .5 hours per week that branch libraries are open for public service, there were over 200 extra after-hours events in 2016.

**ICT:**

Libraries have over 180 public PCs with free internet access. The public spent over 205,000 hours using these facilities between internet sessions and organised computer learning classes.

Internet sessions: 205,603

Wi-Fi Sessions: 63,410

Visits to the Library website: Web Views 898,470 Web sessions: 464,838

The public accessed Internet through their own devices while connected to the Free Wi-Fi facilities, in all our branch libraries and on the mobile libraries on 63,410 occasions in 2016.

**Online resources** are increasing in popularity and South Dublin Libraries provide a large number of online resources to the public.

Last year 155,402 of these resources were accessed by library patrons.

* BorrowBox (eaudio and ebooks) 10,513
* E Brittanica 48,541
* Consumer Health 149
* INA 24,164
* Mango Languages 1,243
* Proquest 7,903
* Tumbelbooks 1,639
* Universal Class 33,933
* Zinio 14,153
* Vision-net 3,588

**Mobile Libraries 2016** - over 2,700 hours of service to the public.

School Service: (42 weeks/year) 483 hours

The mobile library visits 19 schools monthly

Public Stops: 2,080 hours 39 stop locations 148 serviced stops per week

Each afternoon three mobile libraries are in service around the county in South Dublin and two mobile libraries are in service until 8pm Monday - Thursday.

**Outreach:** approx. 200 hrs in 2016

Monthly deliveries of books, DVDs and audio books to crèches, nursing homes, community centres, festivals etc. by the mobile library or personal visits from staff of the mobile library service for story telling sessions and library promotion. (32 crèches, 8 nursing homes,)