

## ADDERBURY PARISH COUNCIL

<b>Date of Parish Council Meeting</b>	Tuesday 28 June 2022
<b>Agenda Item Number</b>	Item 9 (ii)
<b>Author</b>	Cllr Jacky Atkinson
<b>Title of Report</b>	FOCAL – To receive an update on Library matters.
<b>Summary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Book Stock:</b> The Library Manager is busy ordering new books for the library from the money allocated by APC</li> <li>• <b>The Children’s summer Reading Challenge.</b> Children can take part in the online Summer Reading Challenge on The Reading Agency website: <a href="#">Summer Reading Challenge</a></li> <li>• <b>For help</b> using the Summer Reading Challenge website and the online challenge, go to: <a href="https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/help">https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/help</a></li> <li>• <b>Events</b> –The Pub Quiz on Monday May 28<sup>th</sup> was well attended. A sponsored bike ride is to take place to Stratford upon Avon on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June. The 100 Club should be more widely advertised</li> <li>•</li> <li>• <b>Finance</b> –The financial report is available on the FOCAL website The Balance of which is £18.272.47</li> <li>• <b>Footfall</b> – Very slow, but it is hopeful that in September a class from the school will recommence their monthly visits, which should also encourage parents to join.</li> <li>• <b>Platinum Jubilee Celebrations:</b> On Sat June 4<sup>th</sup>.The library opened all day and FOCAL ran a café and Pims Bar which was quite successful, however, because of the position of the library and the fact that stalls were moved to the other end of the village, they did not have as many visitors as expected. The Story Telling, although interesting was not suitable for the audience. There should have been more pacific advertising and maybe aimed at the younger generation.</li> <li>• <b>The Working Group Partnership:</b> - There is to be a meeting in The Bell on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June with James Hazxlewood and Graham White. All FOCAL and APC members are welcome.</li> <li>• <b>Self-Service Kiosk</b> - A new kiosk has been installed in the library and is simpler to use than the old one. A purpose-built shelving unit for the kiosk is waiting delivery</li> <li>• <b>A new public network printer</b> has recently been installed and the library can once again offer a printing and photocopying service.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>The library manager</b> has voiced concern about the safety aspect of the Friday coffee mornings regarding the carrying of hot drinks</li><li>• <b>The library</b> is selling tickets for the Grand Raffle in support of the new Sports and Community Centre.</li><li>• <b>Volunteers:</b> More volunteers are badly needed to comply with the contract for 6 hours per week. Training sessions are about to be restarted by the library service, which is essential.</li><li>• <b>Committee Members</b> – FOCAL is badly in need of a secretary and at least one other person for the committee. Liz Wingrove is really struggling. Another Committee member is to leave in September, and it is impossible for her to do all that is needed single-handed. If the library is to be supported sufficiently, it is essential that more people are encouraged to join the FOCAL committee.</li></ul>
<b>Recommendation</b>	The report be noted.
<b>Supporting documents; advice, reports etc should always be attached to the report and listed here</b>	N/A