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Dear Town Clerk

I'm writing to thank the Town Council sincerely for agreeing to support CCBC Library Service to enable us to continue providing professional library services at the community library in 2023/2024.

The financial picture for 2023/24 is difficult, as you know, but 2024/25 is going to bring further financial challenges. Any changes to statutory services such as libraries require detailed public consultation and impact assessments. It is counter-intuitive to do this for a change to service delivery only to repeat the process only months later. I feel that we need to take a longer-term view on how to sustain the community library model in Conwy to withstand the ongoing economic crisis.

In light of this, it has been agreed that the CCBC community library service budget **will not be reduced** in 2023/24 to allow time for us to and consult upon a full service redesign. This means that, thanks to your contribution, we will be able to maintain the current opening hours for 12 months while we do this piece of work.

I would like us to work in partnership on this important process and find a workable solution together. I will be in touch in the coming weeks to discuss options and community consultation.

With best wishes



Helen Cogan

Section Head: Culture, Libraries and Information

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