

**Cabinet 9 January 2018 – Item 4 – Early Help Review****Representation from Mrs. D. Taylor CC**

After reading the Early Help Review papers I would like to highlight the potential issue of the two community run libraries that have Sure Start Centres within them, Anstey and Fleckney.

I can only comment on the arrangements at Anstey Community Library. The Sure Start Centre is within the library and the library charity receives rental from Sure Start for the part of the building that they occupy. This rental was part of the Business Plan that the charity submitted to LCC to show they could run the library as a community run library. Anstey's Sure Start Centre is not included in the list of buildings to be used as part of this review. I am extremely concerned that the loss of rental for the community library if the Sure Start Centre closes could affect the running of the library and in the worst case, force the library to close. There is also the legal issue to be looked at regarding the Lease Agreement between LCC and Anstey Community Library that was drawn up and signed by both parties when the library became a community run library.

I would be grateful for members to consider the wider issues, that if centres and buildings are closed there could be a greater impact on another important service and to ensure that this does not happen.

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