

**Porlock Community Library Report
for
Porlock Parish Council Meeting 9th October 2024**

Further to last month's report, the new Library Management System has become far more stable and libraries are now able, once again, to add donated books to stock. Porlock can therefore now add newly published books bought with the "Fast Track" budget provided by the Parish Council. Purchasing under this scheme had been put on hold until we could add these books on site. We have also been able to transfer stock between libraries, which has been welcomed by our regular borrowers who, at long last, have different titles to read.

The various organised talks have not all been well supported, which is very discouraging. The information and gadgets available at the Fire Safety talk would have been well worth a trip to the library, but no-one attended, so disappointing. The October author talk, by Caroline Newark, and the economic related talk from Chris Wood had better outcomes.

The library's relationship with the school continues to strengthen. Each class has visited during September and the library visits Oaks Nursery once a week for Storytime.

This month (10th) the library holds its celebratory Coffee Morning - ten years as a Community led library. Hopefully, it will be a busy occasion.

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Library Officer and Volunteer Co-ordinator
2nd Oct 2024