

## Have your say on the future of Camborne Library



Camborne Town Council has launched a consultation about the future of the library service and Passmore Edwards building in Camborne. Councillors launched the event by manning a stall in the Camborne Produce Market on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September to promote the consultation and hear local people's views on Camborne library. The Consultation is in response to Cornwall Council proposals that threaten the future of the library service at its current location. Cornwall Council has invited expressions of interest from town and parish councils to deliver the library service locally so that it can 'meet the required savings'. A letter from Geoff Brown CC, Cabinet Member – Communities states that 'unfortunately, if we don't receive sufficient interest we cannot rule out the possibility of some sites facing closure which is a position no-one wants to be in'. Camborne Town Council is committed to ensuring that everyone living in the Camborne Parish has the opportunity to have their say on the future of the library in Camborne.

Leaflets, which ask five key questions, will be delivered to all households in the Camborne parish. The leaflet has a detachable form to return to the Council with no stamp required. The questions can also be completed on the Council's website [camborne-tc.gov.uk](http://camborne-tc.gov.uk).

The library in Camborne provides many services in addition to providing library books. There are nine computers for public use and a free service to help the unemployed get online, set up email accounts and help with CVs and job searches. There are activities for children of all ages and Cornwall Carers' Service has drop in sessions to give help and support to carers.

The Town Council has pledged to act on the results of the consultation but is mindful that it could take significant additional money to keep the library service at its current location. The consultation asks if people are willing to pay more on their Council Tax to achieve this. The Council hopes that Camborne residents will use this opportunity to make their views heard. More information can be obtained from your local Camborne Town Councillors or from the Town Clerk, Amanda Mugford. The consultation will end on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and the results will be reported to the Full Council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015.