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Newsletter

Information that matters for people who work in libraries

Have your say on digital skills

Created in 2015, the Basic Digital Skills framework sets out 5 areas of digital capability that everyone should be comfortable with to participate fully in the digital world.

Library workers are increasingly in the frontline helping people to develop and improve their digital skills, so should have a range of insights to share.



A new consultation, to help update and develop the framework, has been created and library staff are invited to take part. If you would like shape the future of the framework, follow the link below. The consultation closes on 20 March: <https://goo.gl/8n1vYW>

New Arts Council England Director for Libraries to start 12 March

Sue Williamson, former head of libraries in St Helens, said: "I am thrilled to be joining Arts Council England as Director for Libraries and Birmingham and looking forward to supporting libraries in this period of exciting change and development."



Do you have a story or suggestion of something that you would like to see here? Email: librariestaskforce@culture.gov.uk

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'Engaging Libraries' - a pilot scheme supported by the Carnegie UK Trust and the Wellcome Trust which encourages libraries to experiment with public engagement activities on a range of health and wellbeing issues.

For the last three months, 14 projects across England, Wales and Scotland have been holding taster sessions, developing new partnerships and speaking at conferences. Andy Wright, Carnegie Associate, and Rachel Heydecker from CUKT share an update from the Engaging Libraries programme.

Read more on our blog: search #engaginglibs

Outcome: Learning
Libraries Deliver: help for everyone to achieve their full potential



Fancy coding a drone, or leading a storywalk?

Two of the Society of Chief Librarians' (SCL) Universal Offer leads combined to create a roadshow looking at family learning and digital activities. These are being held in each region, offering participants the chance to explore the family learning toolkit, and to get hands on with a range of digital 'toys'.

These roadshows will continue over the spring. Ask your regional representatives for more information, search *outcome: learning* on Taskforce blog, or find out more here: <http://goscl.com/family-learning-and-digital-roadshows>



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