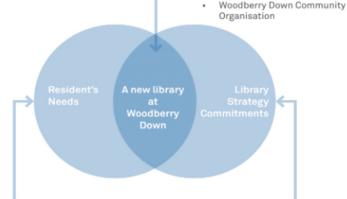
**Woodberry Down Library Feasibility Study** 

**Update May 2023** 

## A new library in Woodberry Down?

- Hackney Library Strategy context
  - Aligns with Library Strategy commitments
  - Hub-style library: multi activity
  - Growing population in Woodberry Down
  - Existing Woodberry Down library has low footfall/constrained in providing activities and services
- Woodberry Down Regeneration
  - New public square library offers a 'civic' use
  - Aligns with commitment in Woodberry
    Down to culture and heritage



#### Literature Review

- · Understanding Woodberry Down
- Woodberry Down Public Consultation Feedback Summary (Summer 2021)
- Woodberry Down Culture & Place Shaping Summary - Design Committee Workshop (July 2022)
- Stage 4 Public Consultation Boards (Summer 2022)
- Libraries Review: Woodberry Down Library
- Hackney Community Strategy 2018-22

#### Workshops

- Woodberry Down Community Organisation
- DPQ Cultural Strategy Consultants (Conversation re. engagement findings)

#### Literature Review

Workshops

Hackney Central Library Staff

Berkeley Homes Hackney

LDS Architects DPQ - Cultural Strategy Consultants

- Libraries Strategy for Hackney 2022-26
- Hackney's Plans and Strategy-Summary of Synergies and Considerations for Libraries:
  - 1. Covid Recovery
  - Voluntary and Community Sector Strategy 2019-22
  - Inclusive Economy Strategy
  - 4.Hackey Young Futures Commission

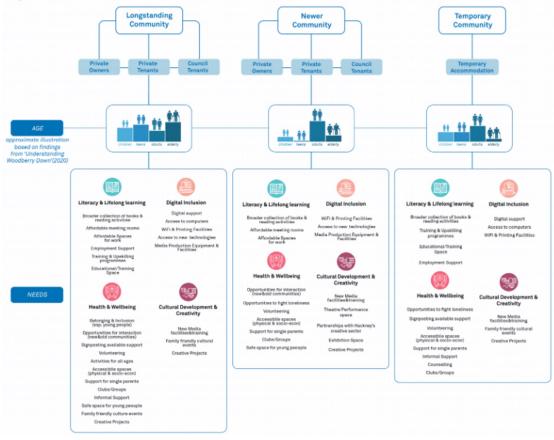
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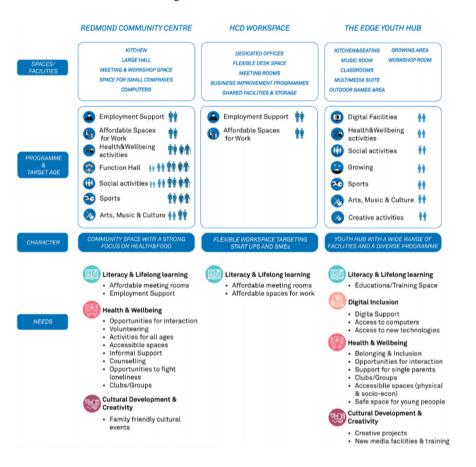
### Findings - summary

**Summary of needs** 



- Highlights a changing community
- Wide range of needs and 'asks' in the community
  - Study space
  - Affordable spaces
  - Cultural provision
  - Employment and training
  - Families and children

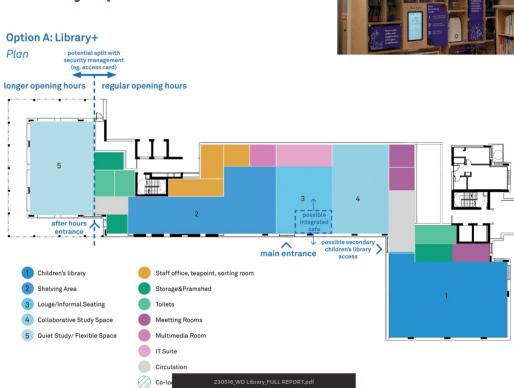
### Community facilities in Woodberry Down



- Existing community facilities and activity
- Need for coordination so spaces complement
- Overall/strategic approach to delivering different activity and services in Woodberry Down
- Impact of a new library on other spaces

### What size of library? LIBRARY Inward ഗ facing Square facing (175sqm) (625 sqm) LIBRARY **Public** facing Retail (311 sqm) Unit(s) Main Square Play& Cultural Uses OTHER USES LIBRARY

# Library 'plus'



LIBRARY OF THINGS



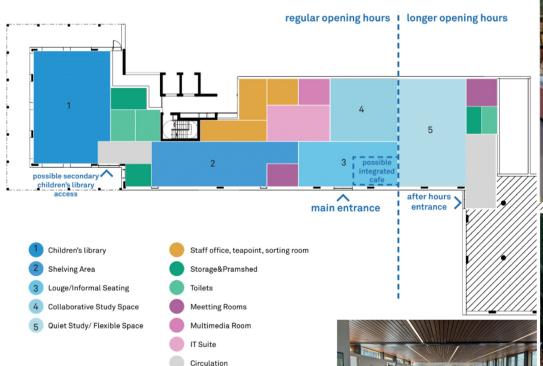






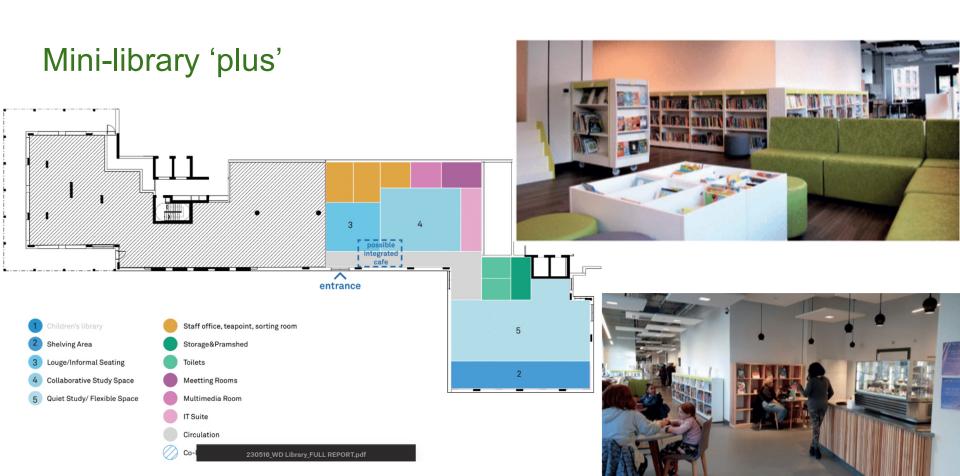
## Smaller library 'plus'

Other Uses









## Next steps

- Library Services to review findings and funding implications
- Engagement with delivery partners over best approach
- Explore findings through the Ground Floor Strategy
  - Community need
  - Coordination of community spaces
  - Evidence base to refine proposals
- Community consultation