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Dear Mr Evans

## **Information Request**

Thank you for your request for information received on 13<sup>th</sup> January in which you ask the following question:

1. The number of people using libraries run by Hampshire County Council in the following years: a) 2016; b) 2017; c) 2018; d) 2019.

Please break this down by library and provide in a Microsoft Excel document if possible.

Please see attached excel spreadsheet which contains data on the number of people using libraries run by Hampshire County Council encompassing the following years: a) 2016; b) 2017; c) 2018; d) 2019.

Every year some libraries are temporarily closed for varying periods of time for equipment upgrades and refurbishments. The figures reflect these closures.

However, please note that the Library Service monitors usage on financial, rather than calendar years for consistency of reporting and so the data is provided for the periods starting 1 April, rather than 1 January.

Yours sincerely Charmaine Constable

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