

2017

Engagement with Public  
Representatives on Public  
Library Strategy  
Development

# Looking Back

## Opportunities for all 2013 – 2017 Review

### Overall Aim:

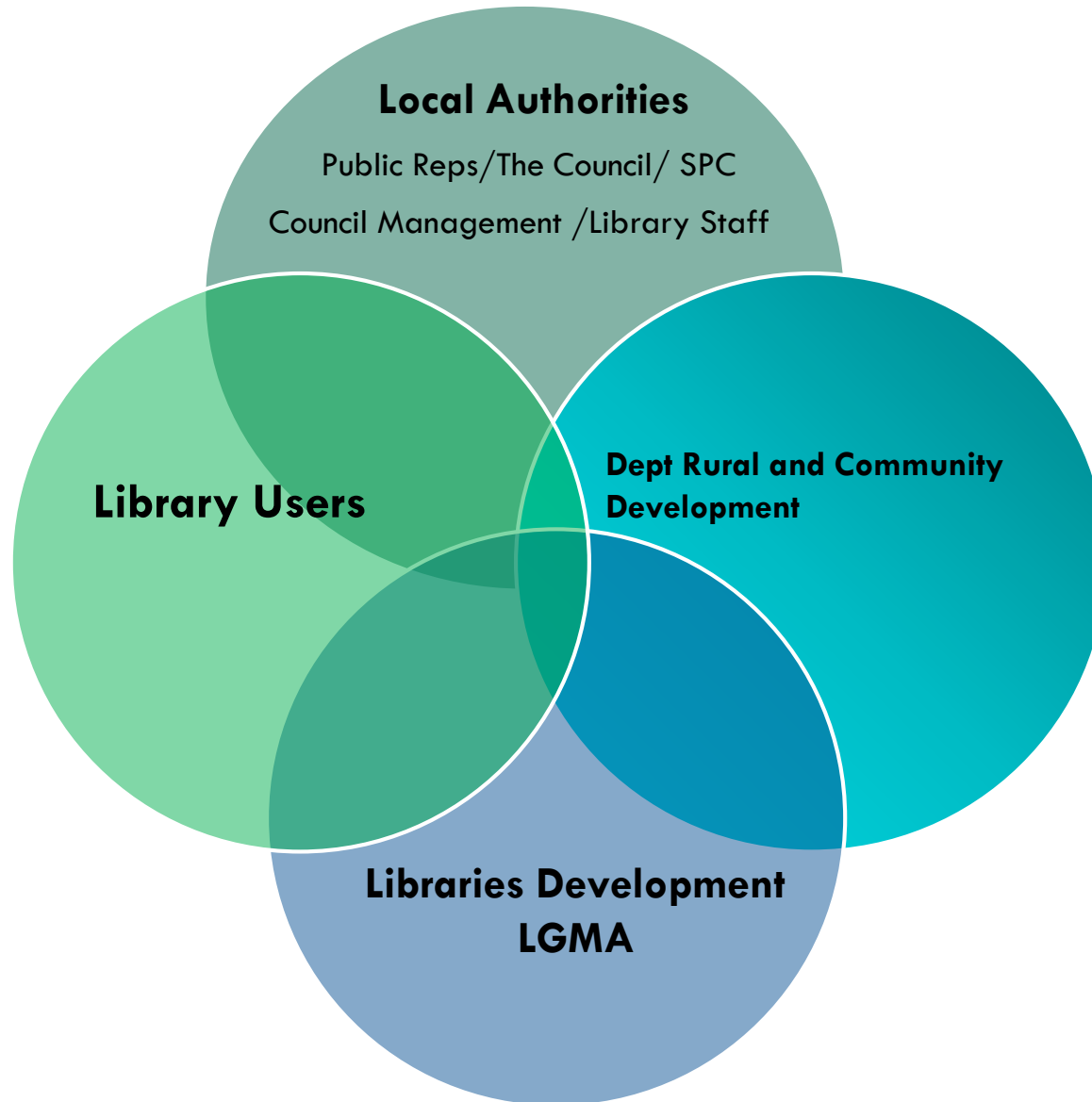
- What's been achieved by the current strategy?
- What worked well?
- What are we most proud of?
- What objectives were not delivered, to focus on in new strategy.

# Public Library Strategy

- Opportunities for All 2013-2017
- Ambitious strategy for library service development and innovation
- Positioning the library service in the broader local authority strategy



# Key Stakeholders



# National Policy Framework 2013-2017

## Vision

Ireland's public libraries will promote:

- Community cohesion and well-being
- Economic growth and cultural identity
- Learning
- Delivery of information and skills
- Culture in the community & online

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

The public library as a catalyst for economic, social and cultural development



A STRATEGY FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES 2013-2017

**Key Themes:** Economic, Social, Cultural

# 5 Programmes for Development

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- **1 Physical Space and Service Provision**



- **2 Learning, Skills and Enterprise**



- **3 Culture and Community**



- **4 Virtual Library**



- **5 Workforce Development**

# Programme 1:

## Physical Space and Service Provision

### Library Buildings

- ❖ New Capital Programme
- ❖ Building Guidelines
- ❖ National Audit



### Service Provision

- ❖ Universal Membership,
- ❖ Free Membership,
- ❖ Per Capita Stock Fund
- ❖ Opening Hours Open Libraries

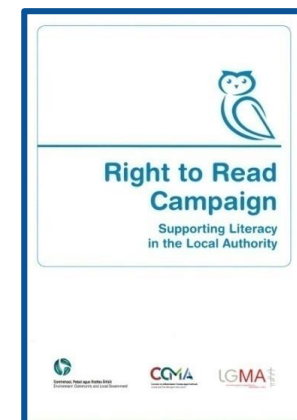


# Programme 2:

## Learning, Skills and Enterprise

### Learning, Literacy, Creativity

- ❖ Collections Policy
- ❖ Literacy and Reader Development
- ❖ Right To Read Initiative



### Employability and Business Support

- ❖ Services, Resources, Events
- ❖ Support for Job Seekers and Business
- ❖ Partnerships at National and Local Level



# Programme 3:

## Culture and Community

- ❖ 79% - Libraries very important or essential for Communities
- ❖ Literary Events & Festivals
- ❖ Information Role through staff, collections and resources
- ❖ Local Studies Collections and Family History

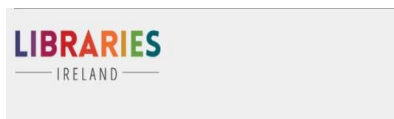
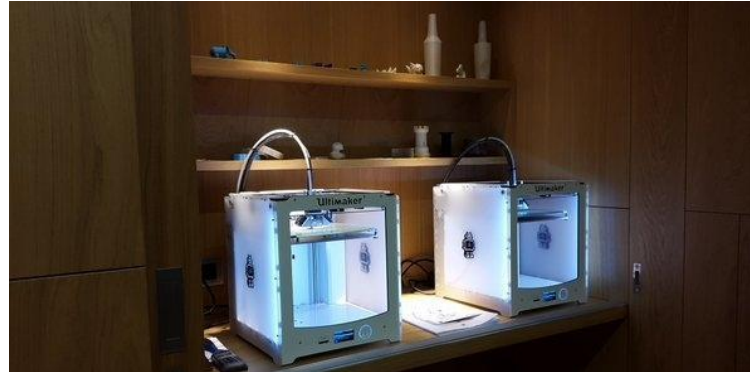


# Programme 4:

## Virtual Library

### ICT Services

- ❖ Single LMS
- ❖ E-Resources
- ❖ Social Media



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# Programme 5:

## Workforce Development

- ❖ Leadership and management development
- ❖ Staff learning and development
- ❖ Library service organisation and delivery



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And above all, **watch** with **glittering** eyes  
the whole **WORLD** around you because the  
**greatest** secrets are always **hidden** in the most  
unlikely **places**. Those who don't **believe**  
will **never** find it." Roald Dahl



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