

Our ref: AO/AR/Elected Members Communications Langside Library Update

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Dear Elected Member

Glasgow Life are continuing to work through plans that realise the refurbishment of Langside Library. During an informative public consultation session during September this year, officers outlined the planned timeline outlining the and key milestones for the project. Our statutory planning application and listed building consent was submitted in late October with an initial library closure scheduled on 24 December 2024 to allow Library staff to commence decanting of the library in the new year.

Across the city, Glasgow Life is also supporting other capital projects that are enhancing and revitalising community library facilities, including the refurbishment of Ibrox Library and preparations for the opening of the new North-East Hub Library at Parkhead at the end of January, both of which require the libraries team to prepare the venues to open to the public.

Recognising the planning application for Langside Library is yet to be approved, and the capacity issue for the libraries team in January, we now plan to keep Langside Library open during January 2025 and have revised the planned closure date to Saturday 1 February at 5.00 pm. After this date, the libraries team will undertake the process to decant the library prior to the refurbishment works commencing. Additional capacity for library services will be created by increasing study space at Couper Institute Library and increasing PC capacity at Pollokshaws Library. This adjustment ensures that library services remain accessible and minimises gaps in provision.

We will update customers and our online communications with this change, which will alleviate some concerns raised locally. We will continue to provide updates on the progress of the refurbishment programme recognising the high level of interest in the local community.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Your sincerely



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