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# Submission Cover Sheet

## Inquiry into the provision of municipal services in Canberra

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Subject: Library facilities

As an elderly resident of Canberra and an avid reader, I consider the library facilities here to excel those of any other city in which I've lived. The resources available, the reservations system, the children programs and especially the welfare component is second to none.

I visit Erindale library at least twice a week to collect my reservations. Accordingly, I was upset when the library review recommended the possible closure of this branch. Given that the parking at both Woden and Tuggeranong is difficult enough, especially to an elderly person carrying several or more library books, Erindale branch remains the only branch on the southside where parking is at the door.

I have often been in the library when the children's programs are happening which seem to be excellent. It would not be easy for the parents in Kambah and surrounding suburbs to get to Woden and Tuggeranong.

I recognise that resources are limited but I believe that this library is vital to the southside community and should remain open for at least some days of the week. If they were consistent days, users would become used to the new hours. An express library, whilst all very well, does not provide the feeling of community that a fully open library does.

Thank you for the opportunity to make my views known Helen Davies