

REPORT TO NMPC September 2024

Library Box Working Group Report



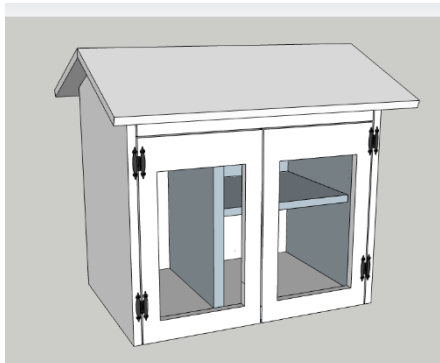
Working Group Meeting 28/09/2024 attendees: Alan Briggs, Nicola Cobb, Jamie Kitson.
Apologies: Lisa Bayley
Report by: Alan Briggs

RECAP

Council has provisionally agreed that the space next to the Jubilee bench at The Denes will be the installation location.



The design has been approved. Quotation: £ 1,251.28



The panels will be made using plywood with planed hardwood door frames.
Concerns were raised at the September Full Council meeting about the surface paint treatment proposed.

DECISIONS REQUIRED

- Formal approval of expenditure for box and installation (design and box expenditure approved in principle Sept 24)
- Approval of the new paint treatment and colour
- Agreement that the NMPC Library should be registered with Little Free Library).
- Approval of the side panel in Acrylic / Plexiglass and proposed wording
- Agree that the Working Group should work with the Clerk to design a new NMPC web page to explain the library box

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- Agree that the Working Group should organise an opening ceremony, inviting Nash Mills School to participate.

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CURRENT STATUS

INSTALLATION £250 + VAT

The Clerk has obtained installation permission from DBC and organised a quotation from an approved contractor.

The box will be installed two legs and on a platform in a similar format to that used at North Crawley.



PAINT TREATMENT AND COLOUR

The Working Group has reviewed the surface paint treatment options and consulted local suppliers. It now proposes ZINSSER ALLCOAT ® EXTERIOR SATIN matched to the green RAL colour 6005 to match the NMPC noticeboard at The Denes.

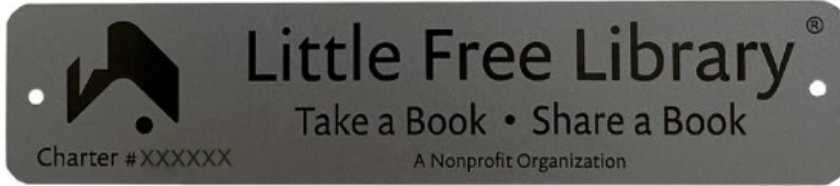
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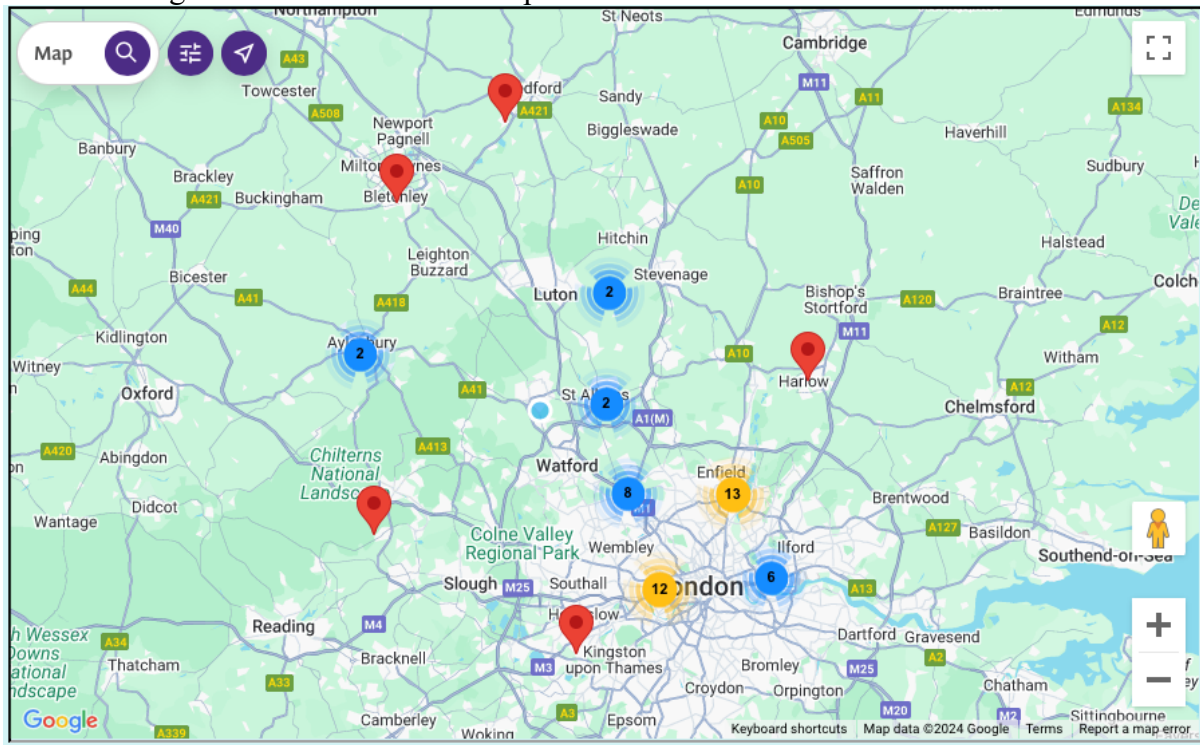
LITTLE FREE LIBRARY REGISTRATION



The Working Group proposes that the NMPC library should be registered with the Little Free Library organisation. The cost is \$49.95

“A charter sign is all you need to make it an official registered Little Free Library! Each charter sign is printed with a unique charter number which is your key to setting up your steward account and [adding your library to the world map](#) with our [new mobile app](#).”

Some existing libraries shown on the map:



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SIDE PANEL 1 – ACRYLIC / PLEXIGLASS



Estimated cost: £50 online purchase, best value proposal to be taken once decision approved.

Size A4 PORTRAIT

The Working Group proposes that there should be a sign on one side of the library box.

Graphic design according to NMPC standards.

[Click here for supplier example](#)

Proposed wording:

- TAKE
- SHARE
- READ
- DONATE

<https://littlefreelibrary.org>

<https://nashmillsparishcouncil.gov.uk/librarybox>

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Please don't leave any books outside of the library box as they will have to be treated as litter.

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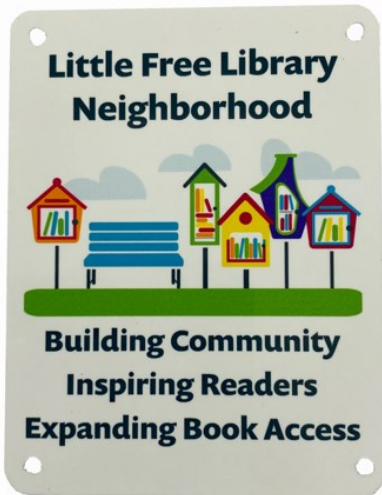


SIDE PANEL 2 – ALUMINIUM

Estimate cost: £20 (\$24.95)

3.25" wide x 4.25" tall (8.25cm x 10.8cm)

To purchase from Little Free Library along with the Charter sign / registration.





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Designed and manufactured by:



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WEB PAGE

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OPENING CEREMONY

The Working Group proposes that it should work with the Clerk to organise an opening ceremony, inviting Nash Mills School to participate. This will be an opportunity to promote the Library Box, the work of NMPC and to encourage the building of community and encouraging reading.