

WRITTEN QUESTION FOR SUMBISSION TO EDUCATION, CHILDREN'S AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE] ON WEDNESDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2022

QUESTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR FERNANDES

In the library collections, how many physical books and how many eBooks are accessible to people with sight loss?

How does the library ensure that the collections are accessible to people with sight loss?

RESPONSE

Large Print books (physical) available from Moray Libraries at last stock count March 2022 – 21,124

Spoken Word (on CD) at March 2022 - 6,291

All eBooks on ebook platform can be adjusted for print size for accessibility – current count:

Different individual titles available 1,355 – copies 34,745 (this is where the same title can be borrowed by more than 1 person at a time)

Also available eAudiobooks (spoken word) – titles 642 – copies 35,261

The library service endeavours to monitor demand and add physical stock as appropriate and all eStock is accessible.

We follow guidelines from appropriate organisations and will adhere to the Six Steps Visually Impaired Basic Framework as far as we can with the resources available to us.