

# Albrighton Parish Council



Albrighton Parish Council work for and on behalf of the community of Albrighton.

## Community Focus on Albrighton Library

Part of the services managed and delivered by Albrighton Parish Council is the Library and the Library building.

The Parish Council took over the management of the library and the building in 2016, this decision was made due to the redesign of their services made by Shropshire Council. Part of the redesign the Parish Council was approached by Shropshire Council and held discussions regarding the proposed closure by Shropshire Council of the Library and its services in Albrighton.



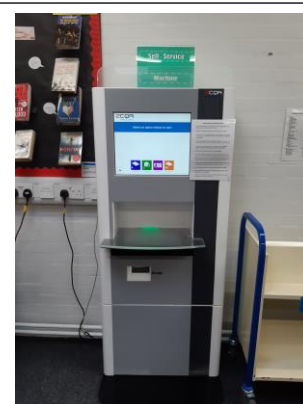
At this time the Parish Council made the decision to run Albrighton Library as a commissioned branch of Shropshire Libraries, and is now managed by Albrighton Parish Council with 3 members of staff and a small number of volunteers.

The library is located on Station Road, Albrighton, and has a number of services available to the community and its users.

### Opening Times

The library is opened Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday where a member of staff will make everyone welcome.

Day:	Opening Times:	Self Service
<b>Monday</b>	10.00am to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm Staff Lunch Break 1.00pm to 2.00pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.00am to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm Staff Lunch Break 1.00pm to 2.00pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	CLOSED	
<b>Thursday</b>	10.00am to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm Staff Lunch Break 1.00pm to 2.00pm
<b>Friday</b>	10.00am to 5.00pm	1.00pm to 5.00pm Staff Lunch Break 1.00pm to 2.00pm
<b>Saturday</b>	10.00am to 1.00pm	
<b>Sunday</b>	CLOSED	



Self Service Machine

## **Library Staff**

The Parish Council employee 3 members of staff to help run the library service and are able to assist visitors to the library.

## **Self Service**

The library operates a self-service system at certain periods during the library opening times. Self-service is where we politely ask those who are able to use the self-service machine located in the library to return books, issue themselves new books and renew books. To use this service, you must also have your library card with you to use the self-service machine. For those library users who are unable to use the self-service machine a member of staff will be on duty to assist and show you how to operate the self-service machine in the future.

There are also a wide range of services available on-line that borrowers can access with their library card number and password. <https://shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/>

## **Library Services**

There are many services available to borrowers, it is so much more than just the traditional lending of books.

**Traditional lending of books** also includes large print books, talking books, non-fiction, Reading Well collections, history of Albrighton and Surrounding areas.

**Ordering Service**, books of any type can be ordered from other branches and the central library for all borrowers. There is a charge of £0.75 to use this service.

**Children's' Library**, there is a dedicated area within the library that specialises in books for our young readers. The children and young people have an area where they can use to relax and review the books, as well as do homework using the reference books.



The library is also an **Information Point** for the community where we are able to sign post to other Shropshire Council services, including bus passes, blue badge, rail cards and bus timetable. We hold a number of information leaflets for community groups, charities and other organisations.

There are **4 public computers** for borrowers to use FREE of charge for members of the library service, this includes access to the internet and ancestry.com.

Free **Wifi** is available to everyone who uses the library.

**COVID-19 self-testing lateral flow kits** are available on a first come first served basis.

**E-Library**, books and e-books are available to be downloaded to personal kindles and other devices. The library staff are on hand to help with this service.

**Book Sale**, there are number of books to purchase. These books have been donated by the community and/or are ex-library stock. We currently are not accepting any new donations.

**Parish Magazine**, copies of the Parish Magazine are available to purchase. cost is £0.80

**Maps**, there are maps of local walking routes that are available to purchase. cost is £2.00 per pack of maps.

**Photocopies**, should you require a photocopy this can be completed by library staff. cost is £0.18 per A4 black & white, £0.25 A3 black & white, £0.40 A4 colour and £0.65 A3 colour

Plus much more.....

## **Events**

A number of events have been held in the library, but due to COVID-19 and the restrictions unfortunately these events had to be stopped. The Parish Council is working towards a yearly planner to look at restarting these events and also looking at new ones' too.

**Summer Reading Challenge**, the aim is for children to read 6 books or more over the summer period. The reading challenge is themed, each year it is a different theme. This year's theme was Wild World Heroes.



Should you wish to become a borrower with the Library Service, you can register on line or in person at Albrighton Library. Please note if you register on line, you will still need to collect your library card from Albrighton Library.

**SORRY!!** We are very sorry but at this time we are unable to help or assist with renewals or issue of bus passes. For help please contact Shropshire Council ☎ 0345 678 9000

**Everyone is welcome, will be lovely to see you!**

You may also want to see the wall displays which include the following;



WI Tapestry



HMS Albrighton



History of HMS Albrighton