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To whom it may concern,

Expression of Interest: Shropshire Schools Library Service (SLS)

Shropshire Council Cabinet met on Wednesday 3rd December and approved the recommendation to cease the operation of the Shropshire Schools Library Service under Council control.

We are therefore seeking expressions of interest from parties who may wish to explore taking over the full operation, management and financing of the Shropshire Schools Library Service as soon as possible during 2026.

The current service provides loans of fiction and non-fiction books and artefact boxes to primary schools across Shropshire and Telford. We are looking for an interested organisation or organisations (where parties wish to work together) to maintain, enhance or adapt the current service levels and invest in the service's future development.

If you are interested in exploring this opportunity further, please email Gill Gale (gill.gale@shropshire.gov.uk) as soon as possible or before 12 noon on Friday 23rd January 2026.

Upon review of initial interest, parties will be provided with more detailed information and invited to participate in further discussions. All enquiries will be treated in the strictest confidence.

We look forward to hearing from interested parties.

Yours sincerely



David Shaw
Director of Children's Services

