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Community Engagement Report: Manor Lakes Library Weekend Opening Hours Trial

Project background

At the Council Meeting on Tuesday 24 June 2025, a formal request was made to explore community support for trialling Sunday opening hours at Manor Lakes Library. The nomination at the meeting was:

1. Note that Council plans to survey members of the Manor Lakes Library to gauge support for Sunday opening hours.
2. Facilitate a Sunday opening Trial for Manor Lakes Library for 12 months from 12.00 Noon to 4.00pm as soon as practicable should the survey demonstrate that members are supportive.

As such, a community engagement process was designed with particular focus on current Manor Lakes Library users. The engagement was open from Monday 1 September through to Monday 29 September 2025 and a total of 428 contributions were received. Further information on who we heard from (demographic data) can be found at appendix 1.

Participation was through an online survey on Council’s engagement platform, **The Loop**. Paper copies of the survey were available at the Manor Lakes Library during the same period. Two face-to-face sessions of 2 hours were run on Saturdays to capture library users that already attend on the weekends.

Options given via the survey ensured that costs for the trial would be completely within the current library budget. The options given were:

- Keep the library open on Saturdays from 10am to 4pm (current hours), OR
- Close the library on Saturdays and open instead on Sundays from 2pm to 5pm.

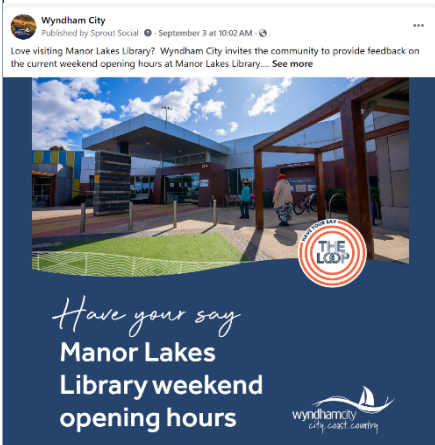
A ‘free text’ optional question was available at the end of the survey where respondents could provide any other feedback.

Methodology

The below table outlines the various methods and techniques used to engage with the community and the activities undertaken to promote the engagement.

Community engagement activities / tools	
Method	
Project page on The Loop	1,979 page views 1,575 total visitors to the page
Survey	396 contributions – online survey 32 contributions – paper surveys 428 total contributions
Face to face sessions	2 x 2 hours sessions at Manor Lakes Library on Saturday 13 and Saturday 20 September 2025.

Communications / marketing activities

Method	Details
Online promotion (Facebook - advertising)	 Ad: Reach: 27,722 Engagements: 992 Click through to website: 892  Organic: Reach: 3,226 Engagements: 4 Click through to website: 20
Emails	01/09/2025 to 1,472 registered users on The Loop notifying them of new project. 01/09/2025 to 6,303 members of the Manor Lakes library* 05/09/2025 to 7,718 Loop newsletter subscribers with a promotion of the engagement opportunity. 24/09/2025 to 6,245 members of the Manor Lakes library** 25/09/2025 to 1,692 People's Advisory Panel members with a promotion of the engagement opportunity.
Media Release	Issued 1 September to all local and daily media

* This number represents customers that have registered a Wyndham City Libraries membership at the Manor Lakes Library in the last 12 months and those that have physically borrowed an item at Manor Lakes Library in the last 12 months.

**This number is less than previous email due to emails bouncing and or being blocked from previous mailout.

Analysis of feedback

The below highlights the feedback received during the engagement process. Note that not all 32 paper survey submissions answered all mandatory questions so there is some variation with numbers in responses to some questions.

Q1: How often do you visit Manor Lakes Library?

Answer Choices	Percent	Count
Once a week or more	32.94%	141
Couple of times a month	38.55%	165
Once a month or less	26.17%	112
Never	2.34%	10
TOTAL	100%	428

Q2: Would you like to see Manor Lakes Library Open on Sundays for a 12 month trial?

Answer Choices	Percent	Count
No – Keep the current weekend hours of Saturday 10-4 and closed Sunday	75.93%	325
Yes – Close on Saturdays and open Sundays 2-5pm	24.07%	103
TOTAL	100%	428

Q3: When you visit on the weekends, what do you do while at the library?

Optional question for paper and online submissions.

Answer Choices	Percent	Count
Borrow from the collections	87.77%	201
Study	25.33%	58
Relax or read	42.36%	97
Hang out with friends or family	12.66%	29
Attend a library program	20.96%	48
Use the computers or WiFi	20.52%	47
Print or photocopy	24.02%	55
Something else (see below for responses)	4.37%	10
Total	100%	229

Responses received under **Something else (please specify)**

1. Collect seeds/borrow from the seed library
2. Sit and meditate
3. I visit with my kids / play with my kids
4. Attend group activities
5. Select DVDs
6. I never go on Sunday
7. Genealogy research
8. Books
9. Work on laptop
10. Good

Q4: Who would you visit with?

Optional question for paper and online submissions.

Answer Choices	Percent	Count
By myself	41.07%	108
With family / friends	58.30%	151
Total	100%	259

Q5: Is there anything else you'd like to add?

Optional question for paper and online submissions.

Total number of responses for this question is **237** out of **428** total responses. The table below shows the number and percentage of 237 responses linked to each theme.

Theme	Percent	Count
Open both Saturday and Sunday	61.18%	145
Other library improvements / general feedback	18.99%	45
Saturday preference	10.97%	26
Equity and funding fairness	5.91%	14
Sunday preference	2.95%	7
Total	100%	237

Notes on theming:

- **Open both Saturday and Sunday:** Clear request / comment
- **Sunday/ Saturday preference:** If mention was made for Saturday **OR** Sunday in isolation. This may or may not indicate support or opposition for closure on Saturday in order to open Sunday.
- **Equity and funding fairness** comments generally about Council funding decisions and bringing the library hours in line with other Wyndham libraries.
- **Other library improvements / general feedback** comments around Manor Lakes Library opening hours (increase during the week, later nights etc), library services (programs, genre, language requests) and any other comments that didn't fit in the other themes.

Appendix 2 provides all responses.

Next Steps:

This report, together with recommendations from Council officers, will be used to decide on the trial of Sunday opening hours. Once a decision is made, the outcome will be shared with the community.

Appendix 1: Who we heard from

The below highlights the demographics of the community members who we heard from during our engagement process via The Loop survey.

Age group	Percent	Count
Under 12	2.8%	12
12-17	3.5%	15
18-24	3.5%	15
25-34	15.89%	68
35-44	38.08%	163
45-54	17.76%	76
55-64	7.01%	30
65	11.45%	49
Total	100.00%	428

Gender	Percent	Count
Female	61.68%	264
Male	35.98%	154
Prefer not to say	2.38%	10
Total	100.00%	428

Location	Percent	Count
Eynesbury	0.23%	1
Hoppers Crossing	1.64%	7
Mambourin	7.48%	32
Manor Lakes	35.98%	154
Point Cook	0.47%	2
Tarneit	0.7%	3
Truganina	0.47%	2
Werribee	21.26%	91
Wyndham Vale	31.07%	133
Other (outside Wyndham)	0.7%	3
Total	100%	428

Which of the following describes you?	Percent	Count
A person living with disability and/or someone caring for a person living with disability	14.25%	61
An Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person	0.93%	4
A person who identifies as LGBTQIA	2.57%	11
Prefer not to say	8.64%	37
None of the above	63.79%	273
Other	26.40%	113
Total	100%	499*

**Larger number of responses as people could select multiple options*

Do you speak a language other than English at home?	Percent	Count
Respondents listed 44 different languages other than English spoken at home.		
Yes	42.76%	183
No	57.24%	245
Total	100.00%	428

Appendix 2 – Raw, deidentified data

All comments left for the question: **Is there anything else you'd like to add?**

Would be good to have baby/rhyme/story time at Manor Lakes Library on Saturday as an option as well, just like they have at the Point Cook library for kiddos aged 0-5.
Even though I was required to choose between the library opening on Saturday OR Sunday, I do not agree that it should be one or the other. The library should be open both days on a weekend as are other libraries in the Wyndham area. As I am commencing further study soon, having the option to go to the library on either weekend day is important to me. Also, as an additional note, there are some vulnerable families in Wyndham Vale, to which having the library open on weekends is essential for families with young children to be able to access these community facilities. I am really disappointed in this proposal and I feel it demonstrates a disconnect with community needs and values.
This was supposed to be a trial for additional hours. Not close on a Saturday. Maybe take the money from private security patrols and open the library for longer.
It is very disappointing that the library isn't open both days of the weekend. Hopefully funding can be allocated for this critical service. Sundays work better for me but don't want that to be at the detriment of others accessing on Saturday. Maybe funding allocation can go on less crap elsewhere to support this.
Council need to bring the Manor Lakes library hours in line with Plaza library hours and open on Sunday afternoon as well as Saturday 10-4
Why does this have to be an either/or scenario. Why can't the Manor Lakes Library be open on both days just as Plaza, Tarneit and Point Cook Libraries are. The Manor Lakes community is equally as strong a growth corridor, yet it is receiving sub-standard service. Perhaps Council could allocate the money collected for the "Tarneit security trial" it would collect from Manor Lakes resident rates, towards actually funding a resource these people need and could actually use. Council seriously needs to reconsider its recent decisions and actually start working for ratepayers. This would be a good start.
The library needs more hours for the area. Other libraries are open late and both days on the weekend
Most libraries are open for a few hours on a Sunday as well as Saturday. Drop your private security and stop trying to save money in Manor Lakes by cutting the hours of the library here
Keep current hours on Saturday and Sunday too. This survey is wrong. You are trying to force us to tell what you have decided
I understand there are budget pressures, but the community was really hoping to have the library open on both Sundays and Saturdays, in line with other libraries and in order to promote accessible learning to everyone throughout Wyndham
With the excessive traffic to exit and return to Wyndham Vale, it seems unfair for people in the growing communities of Werribee West/Wyndham Vale/Manor Lakes communities to have reduced library trading hours compared to other City of Wyndham libraries. If the library is not open, local residents are required to travel significant distances, in congested traffic to access a library. The Wyndham Vale library is close to my place of employment, so I only visit occasionally. However, as a resident of Hoppers Crossing, I can conveniently access the Hoppers Crossing, Point Cook and Tarneit libraries within 10 minutes from home and they are all open seven days. This suggests to me (and possibly others) that the Wyndham Vale community is not valued by our Council.
I assess that the allocation of resources for Sunday library operations warrants careful consideration. Specifically, during the summer months, the potential for outdoor activities presents an alternative that could be more conducive to community engagement, particularly for children. Conversely, the provision of library services on Sundays during the winter months may be more beneficial due to inclement weather conditions.
The Hoppers Crossing library is already open on Saturdays, it is better the Hoppers one to be closed on Sunday and move the budget to open the Manor Lakes library for full day instead. That way people like me who need a full day as a stay study for longer hours. As three hours is not enough. Or at least open for 5 hours. Much appreciated
It would be beneficial to the community in the long run if more funding was allocated to the library services. At least enough for them to remain open for a few hours on both Saturday and Sunday.
The library should remain open on Saturdays and also open on Sundays 2:00pm - 5:00pm.
Poor survey questions - it's either one scenario or the other. Clear bias. There should be an option of opening Saturday AND Sunday with suggested times e.g. 10am-2pm on both days. Had to answer No otherwise can't complete survey. Although I don't use the library, the increase in population in ML and surrounding areas should be recognised.
Best option: Library to open on Saturdays and Sundays which would benefit this expanding suburb.
For most working individuals like me, we do not have the time to go to the library during weekdays. Still closed when we leave for work and already closed when we return home. Weekends are our only chance.
Please open Saturday and Sunday
Open on both Saturday and Sunday. Reading and borrowing books shouldn't have limitations based on the day.

I believe it should be open on Saturday and Sunday. Some of us work or so sports on either day or so rotating shift on weekends. Considering only one in three children are able to read at a required level, I find it imperative that the library is open seven days a week. Our children are our future and to sent them of knowledge from books is disabling them from learning. Higher cost of living many of us will have to revert to cancelling the Internet and resort to the library for educational purposes.
I would like to see the library open both Saturday and Sunday
Please can the library be opened both days - Saturdays and Sundays
It would be wonderful if you could be open Saturday and Sundays. Even for half a day each
There are times when we as family are busy the whole week, including Saturdays and would like to access the library on Sunday. Can't it be open on Sunday as well instead of swapping Saturday with Sunday?
I would love to see the library open 7 days no need to close on Saturday or Sunday
I believe the Wyndham Council can afford to keep the library open both days on the weekend. Reduced hours on Saturday perhaps to cover both Saturday and Sunday
Preferably open on Sundays too
Although I have said YES above to opening Sunday - I DO NOT AGREE that the library should close Saturday to accomodate Sunday opening hours. Libraries are one of the rare places that all people can visit and have a welcoming and safe environment in which to congregate. With all the challenges that Wyndham area is facing at the moment, especially young people and issues with violence etc, I believe that the council should be looking for ways to support young people (all people in our community really!) to have positive experiences in the community and to gather in safe places. To offer the option to close on a Saturday is ridiculous and absurd thinking from council. It is counter to how to support communities - which I know council speaks a lot about. Council do a great job in offering so many varied opportunities for engagement in many different areas. But in this instance, council should be looking for ways to have MORE hours of opening to allow for people to utilise this public asset. I am firmly in the belief that this library SHOULD OPEN BOTH SATURDAY AND SUNDAYS not one or the other. Please support communities to gather, learn, engage, enjoy and be safe by keeping this library (but all libraries) open longer, Thank you for taking the time to read this.
Library should have open both Saturday and Sunday
Library should be open on both days. Saturday and Sunday. Reducing hours not good. Its a very basic facility for local residents.
Please open on both Saturday and Sunday.
Open Saturday & Sunday as students and families have sport Saturdays and others have other commitments on Sunday. To fully provide a service to our community it needs to be open both days. In regard to staffing maybe make use of retired people like myself, just put the call out and along with one or two staff the hours can be covered
Closing Saturday is a silly option if planning to open Sunday. We need to have both days open. The area it services is very large
Perhaps reduce hours on Saturday, 11am-2pm and add Sunday. Pity Werribee Library isn't open on a Sunday also, given how many people frequent the area on that day of the week now & gallery is also open.
It needs to be open on both saturday and sunday, a trial closing on saturday and opening sunday, wouldnt give you very good data on how many people would use it. if you can 750k to revamp a building that councillors run businesses from, you can open the library 7 days a week
Please open in Saturday and Sunday for few hours that would be great.
open both on saturday and sunday.
Even though I was required to chosen between the library opening on Saturday OR Sunday, I do not agree that it should be one or the other. The library should be open both days on a weekend as are other libraries in the Wyndham area. As I am commencing further study soon, having the option to go to the library on either weekend day is important to me. Also, as an additional note, there are some vulnerable families in Wyndham Vale, to which having the library open on weekends is essential for families with young children to be able to access these community facilities. I am really disappointed in this proposal and I feel it demonstrates a disconnect with community needs and values.
Just for Winter season can we have the Library open on both Saturdays and Sundays, because during summer season most of the times we spend outdoors at the parks. During summer season we can have the library closed on both Saturday and Sunday. I'm talking in terms of a dad with two young kids trying to make them busy by getting them to the library
I would prefer if library is open for half days (or 4 hours) on both Sat and Sun.
Should keep open 7 days
The library should not have to close on Saturdays to be open on Sundays. It should be open on both days. Saturdays could be 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM and Sundays could be 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM.
SATURDAY needs to be open either 9am-4pm or 10am-5pm - an extra hour. Library needs to be open also on a SUNDAY as well as SATURDAY Perhaps 11am - 4pm. A rostered librarian plus 1-2 support staff would enable temp staff to have more hours or hire another person who may want work on a SUNDAY. I dont not understand why Tarniet is open Sunday but Manor Lakes isnt. Many kids/students go there to get away from parents and siblings at home. Peace and quiet.
It is very disappointing that the library isn't open both days of the weekend. Hopefully funding can be allocated for this critical service. Sundays work better for me but don't want that to be at the detriment of others accessing on Saturday. Maybe funding allocation can go on less crap elsewhere to support this.
Library should be opened on Saturday and Sunday.
Open both days, it's a local popular library
Library should be open for 7 days and longer hours than current like other councils in South East Melbourne area.

Divide Saturday opening hours over Saturday and Sunday. For ex Sat 10-1 and the same for Sunday hours too
Open both Saturdays and Sundays
Please trial both Saturday and Sunday hours
Open on both the days
Please open on Sundays too!
This survey is stupid. Should be opened on both days! A library is used by so many people. Some aren't able to get to the library everyday. So having it opened Mon-Sun would enable more people to do so!
Council need to bring the Manor Lakes library hours in line with Plaza library hours and open on Sunday afternoon as well as Saturday 10-4
Would be great if it can open on both days
It would be so amazingly helpful to our family and the entire community if Manor Lakes library was open on both Saturday and Sunday.
Our family believes the library should be open on both days, Saturday and Sunday. Working families struggle to collect books with limited opportunities
Keep it open both days. Control the amount or age of people you let in. Maybe on let older high school students in
I would like to see it open on both Saturday and Sunday. If I had to choose I would say Saturday because of the longer spread of hours. I have children so it can be difficult to organise them on time - I need a greater span of house. On a side note, I think there needs to be a cafe open on site.
Would prefer open both Saturday and Sunday as it's the only time I have available. Sometimes I would put things on hold and can't make it to pick up because it's too hard to coordinate with such limited weekend opening times. Would definitely borrow and use the facilities more and even look into engaging and contributing where I can.
The community would like the library to be open both days on the weekend not change one day for another day and less hours. The current timings do not work for me at all which means I cannot go to the library as often as I would like. Extending hours during the week and on Saturday would be more appreciated.
It should be open every day not just on a Saturday but a Sunday as well. I don't agree with the option that I had to pick
This Council Has Got It Wrong Again. Library should be open both days to accommodate healthy life choices for students who participate in sport, work etc. Libraries are not a luxury they're an essential service. A quiet space to study, access to internet, resources for families, and a safe place for our community. We deserve better. Our community deserves access. Our students deserve a chance.
Keep current hours on Saturday and Sunday too. This survey is wrong. You are trying to force us to tell what you have decided
Would like the library to be open BOTH Saturday and Sunday. Closing on a Saturday and only being open on a Sunday for half the amount of hours is not going to solve anything.
Opening both days would be ideal, but if forced to choose, I would opt for the longer opening hours on Saturday.
I think it's obvious people want it open Saturday and Sunday not one or the other so it's not possible to provide an accurate answer to the above question
Open both days like other libraries. This is not fair for Manor Lakes community. How come other libraries can afford to open Saturday and Sunday.
Please keep the Saturday hours and add open hours on Sunday. The current hours is the main reason I do not visit the library often with my school-going kid.
Keep Saturdays open and open Sundays for a few hours as well if possible.
I understand there are budget pressures, but the community was really hoping to have the library open on both Saturdays and Sundays, in line with other libraries and in order to promote accessible learning to everyone throughout Wyndham
Request that Library also add Sunday operating hours to its schedule even if only for 4 hours (i.e., 11am-3pm or only during school terms). As a rate payer I am disappointed that some areas of Wyndham are receiving more days/hours at their library. This is causing inequality for the people of Manor Lakes. While taking into account population and demand, Council should also consider community needs and equity of access to library services for all residents. Council should consider reducing library hours elsewhere to ensure adequate budget for Manor Lakes library to be open 7 days. Opening the library is about more than just books; it is a critical service that supports students, children and families as well as vulnerable people who may have nowhere else to go for social connections, access to a safe environment and to study etc.
Open on Sunday as well please
Open it both days so it's accessible to those who have work and school
Open both days.
Can you be open both days
Open both Saturday and Sunday
Open both Saturdays and Sundays making it more accessible

If Hoppers Crossing library can open on Saturday and Sunday why not Manor Lakes? What will it take for us to have equal hours among the libraries especially if there is demand. Even if it's open Saturday 10-4 and Sunday 12-3 that will be better than not opening at all on a Sunday.
Need it open longer hours on weekends and both days of weekend!!
A better alternative would be to open both days for a half day each or keep 10am - 4pm on Saturdays and open 10am - 2pm on Sundays.
I think it's important to have it open both days. There are many students who rely on the quiet space to study and others who do not have internet.
Yes, I'd like to request a trial for the library to be open on Sundays IN ADDITION TO the usual Saturday hours. I hate having to travel to The Plaza library on a Sunday, there's always a crowd wanting to use the computers, like me, plus it's only open in the afternoon which is too late for me too.
Please check if there is any possibility to open on Sundays from 2 to 5 pm without closing on Saturdays.
Open on both weekend i.e saturday and sunday
The library should be open on both Saturday and Sunday between 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. We have a growing community with young families. It will encourage children to read more and also more community events can be held at the library.
Open both days. If Council can afford private security patrols for Truganina, it can afford a few more hours of library staff time each week. Additionally, it's ridiculous to propose replacing 6 hours of open time with only 3.
Open both days on the weekend is preferable.
Open both days would be great not sure why it has to be just one or the other? Libraries are essential community spaces!
Reducing hours for a library that's already not open enough isn't a good solution. Right now, I regularly find myself travelling to Hooper's Crossing to access the library there, despite being within walking distance of Manor Lakes library.
The proposal should be to increase hours, not reshuffle and lower the existing ones
Open on Sunday as well please
Prefer Werribee Branch to be open, However one of the only reasons we don't visit the libraries more often IS because they are closed over the weekend. After school traffic hinders going to Manor Lakes or Werribee (live in Harpley). When my children were younger we visited at least twice a week for many things from rhyme time, to just borrowing books. Libraries are fundamental to any child's education, learning and literacy development. Maybe work with some of the local schools also as most don't have great library options.
Library should be open on Saturday and Sunday, not just one of those days.
Should be open both days on the weekend not one for the other
Sunday open as well
Yes, along with Saturday, please open the library on Sundays as well.
I have to young kids and working full time. It's very difficult to manage with only Saturdays open.
Have them open at 2pm-5pm both days to help families
Saturday PLUS Sunday - both, not one or the other
Open both Saturday and Sunday not one or the other
Open both days
I'd really love it to be open on Sunday's, but not at the expense of Saturdays and overall reduced hours!
Open it on Sunday in addition to Saturday, which was the intent of Councillor Maynard's motion to Council.
Please open on Sundays in addition to Saturdays
Keep Saturday opening hours AND add Sunday opening hours. The library needs to be open both days of the weekend to serve the growing, diverse community
The Library should be open on Sundays as well. I think 10am to 2pm would be suitable.
needs to be open both saturday and sundays
I would like for it to be open both the days not just the Saturday or Sunday - most of us with kids in the area would ask the same please.
Open the library on both Saturday and Sunday. This caters for those who work full time or kids who play sports on Saturday.
Open 7 days
Need sundays AS WELL as Saturdays not instead of!
Please keep it open on Saturday's too, we are waiting for weekend to visit library if it's closed on Saturday or Sunday there is no point in having a library in our surroundings. Please close on any weekday instead of weekends.
I would like the library open on SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. Manor Lakes Library is neglected when compared to other libraries. Perhaps reducing the 8pm closing times for Point Cook and Tarneit Libraries will help the budget to open Manor Lakes Library on a Sunday.
Open both days

Where is the option for both it should be open and accessible 7 days a week. This is important for the community. How dare you take funding from libraries and have security in areas that are not useable for the whole community. Libraries are for everyone.
I would like to see the centre open Sundays as well as Saturdays. But if we can only have 1 day of the weekend I would prefer Saturday
This is pathetic, the community wants it to be open on both days. It's absurd you haven't given that option!
Werribee and Manor Lakes should be open both Saturday and Sunday like the other libraries in Wyndham, we should not have to travel to the other side of Werribee to access the library on Sunday
Why does it have to close on a Saturday just to be open less hours on a Sunday? Would it not be possible to be open 3 hours each day??
I want to have library open on both Saturday and Sundays
Please open both days
We shouldn't be asked to choose between Saturday and Sunday (for less hours anyway). The community is asking for an extra service not a reduced one.
Please open on Sunday as well. Learning doesn't have Sunday/Holiday
Please open it on Saturday and on Sundays too
Thanks
Open the library from 10 to 2 at least on Sunday in addition to the Saturday times. Don't be stingy.
I'd like the library to be open both Saturday and Sunday, not one or the other. Maybe you could try a rotating roster with the libraries so all libraries have at least one Sunday a month open. Plus a longer opening time on Sunday would work better
It should be open both days on the weekend!
Open on Sunday as well. If money can be found to fund "security" in ONE ward of a small suburb, it can be found to support library operations.
This was not what the community wanted. The community asked for the Manor Lakes Library to be open more days and times so not just one day or the other
The people in the area had requested BOTH Saturday and Sunday opening hours. I would like to be able to access my local library on Saturday AND Sundays. The library is a vital resource to the people of this area. If you will not accommodate this request I expect to see adequate justification for the decision.
Please open on Saturdays and Sundays
The library should be open on Sundays as has been repeatedly advocated for. The survey has missed the intended point and budgetary provision should be made for Sunday opening.
Would like to keep it open on both Saturday and Sunday. The above option is incorrect. Should have option for both
I feel like this should be opened on both days to mirror what is happening at other libraries. To have less hours on Sunday and not even open on Saturday is not fair for the residents that live nearby. That means we have to travel for other libraries further away. A lot of people in the area are from working backgrounds and the only time they can access the library is on the weekends.
Would be nice to have the library open at least half a day, both Saturday & Sunday!
It should be open both Saturday and Sunday
Option C : open Saturday 9-5pm and Sunday so people can come study.
Most likely an expression of interest in Sunday openings means the community would like the library to open in addition to the current Saturday hours. If you are unable to accommodate both Saturday and Sunday opening at Manor Lakes I consider it would be best to leave things as they are.
This survey is not logical. There should be a third option of "keep the current weekend hours of Saturdays and also open Sunday afternoons". Manor Lakes and surrounds is a family area with school kids. The intent of opening on Sunday afternoons is to add extra library time, not to reduce it. Shame on the councillors.
Please do not reduce community access to the library. Previously we'd signed a petition to ask for the library to be open on Sunday, and now if people agree to the trial we'll have 3 less hours a week! The next place to go is Werribee plaza or tarneit library which isn't as accessible via car (road congestion) and hard from Wyndham vale with public transport. There's not many safe community spaces to go and with the spate of crimes in the area particularly youth, it's a real concern.
Keep the library open both on Saturdays and Sundays
Please open both weekend days for limited hours(ie afternoon only)
I feel the alternative to keep everyone happy would be shorter hours on Saturday and Sunday - 10am until 1pm on both days or 10am to 1pm Saturday and 1pm - 4pm on Sunday
I fail to understand why there is not enough funds in the budget to allow an additional three hours a week of opening times for the community. The library should be open on both weekend days to provide ALL families the opportunity to visit, borrow, study, and connect with their community. In addition, secondary students who require the space to do private study should not have to consider dropping their sporting obligations or part time/casual employment to visit a local library.

Option C - open the library on both days of the weekend. The Manor Lakes/Wyndham Vale/Mambourin area is fast growing with only the tiny Manor Lakes library servicing the public. The push was for the library to be opened all weekend - not select days of the weekend. How is closing it Saturday only to open it Sunday the solution?
Would it not be of a benefit to open on both Saturdays and Sundays - I know the few times I bring my granddaughter on a Saturday there are quite a lot of people there
A Sunday trial sounds good, but not at the expense of the full Saturday opening hours. Tarneit is open Sundays, that should be workable for community members who need a nearby library on a Sunday.
While its good to have Sunday open, wish the Saturdays are working as well.
I think this survey is useless. You are asking people to vote for the library to be open less hours. You are basically shuffling the deck chairs on the Titanic. People are after an improve service with more opening hours not less. Provide more options for people to vote on. The library should be open all weekend and perhaps if council spent our money more carefully it could be funded. Instead of a private security patrol for a particular area in Tarneit/Trug it could be spent funding the library service.
I know it means staff rosters would change, but as the young families in the area have sport commitments on weekends, I really feel it would be beneficial to have the library open both days on the weekend maybe 11am - 3pm. I feel that if there were to use volunteers to fill out the staff positions it would work. I am retired and would be open to volunteering and I am sure there are others. Also you need at least 3 more Disability parking stops as they are always full, most of the time with non- disability sticker cars. Lastly parents who just pull up and block the carpark picking up or letting kids out will cause an accident soon.
I feel as though the library being closed on Saturdays defeats the point of the original request. The request was that it was also open Sundays, to meet the needs of the community and match the opening hours of other live in the community
Not happy with council choosing to close Saturdays and open Sundays instead - it should be both days open!! This is absolutely ridiculous! My teenagers use the library on weekdays to study and use the computers. My youngest son only gets home from school in Geelong late weekday afternoons and is always asking to go to the library, but Saturdays we are working. Why council is funding a one-suburb patrol instead of providing essential community services such as a library open 7 days - or at least the same hours as majority of other Wyndham libraries is beyond us. Council seems to have a real reluctance to prioritise Manor Lakes and Wyndham infrastructure/ services, choosing instead to prioritise Point Cook, Tarneit and Truganina. We don't have buses in Lollipop Hill, petrol stations, a post office etc. and major issues with congestion and roads. And now our library is being compromised too. Please start acting in our communities best interest and open our library 7 days a week!!!!
Neither of these options. The reason the community are petitioning isn't so that one option could be provided OVER the other.. The idea is to ADD more opening hours to the library. I'd use the library significantly more if it was accessible to me - I work full time in the city and have recreational activities to attend to on Saturdays - severely limiting my access to the library. A few hours on a Sunday would be of great benefit to the community
The question above is totally misleading and I don't like either option. The library should be open both Saturday AND Sunday... even if only from 10 - 1
If it was feasible to have the library open all weekend, that would be my preference, but obviously it's not. The Werribee branch is the one I mainly use, and it is open all weekend.
An we please have the library open on Sat and Sun. We can't trade 6hrs on a Saturday for 3 hrs on a Sunday. Children in areas like this need safe quiet spaces to go to study and get away from home situations. We need to help children know that libraries are available safe spaces for them
Why would you replace one xay eith another. Im sure the wish behind the request is to have the library open both days of the weekend
Please keep Saturdays open as per the current timings and open on Sundays for 2 to 4 hours. I can't find such option to select.
Open on Saturdays and Sundays
I would consider the library to be open as early as 9:00 am in the morning as 10:00 is bit late or consider opening at 9:30am at the latest, if possible, some days. thank you
A longer time to get reserved books
I mostly attend mid week middle of the day
Maybe more comic books and novels the the keys to the kingdom
There should be more programs for adults as well as kids
During the school holidays there are no toddler programs on. Parents and carers are coming with children older and younger. It's very hard to teach younger children that they're not allowed to participate in the older children activities. Younger children feel excluded from the activities since they're not allowed to participate in the activities leaving their faces with frowns.
It would be nice to upgrade the place. The entry looks old and dirty. The inside is also not really cozy. I love libraries and I would love to spend more time, but it do at feel welcoming
Would be great to add few more computers. Another table of 3 or 4 computers. Manor Lakes is often over crowded.
I wish library opening times are early morning at least at 9 am everyday.
Free innovative games for grade 3 kids
Add kannada books to the collection
It is an excellent experience being here in library and facilities available here.
I love the library
I have requested council to keep any of the other week days too to open until 8pm. Many of my friends want the same. Most of us finish work at 5:30. Because library closes at 6pm other weekdays
Clear the smell, sometimes it reeks

I think the current hours are working perfectly and a good time frame for both young and older people
no gl tho
It helps with loneliness and depression
More leveled books in English for lower primary/ primary school students, and more books in different languages (e.g. Bengali/ Arabic) will be appreciated.
If the library won't work on Sundays we have to travel a long way in traffic to get to Werribee pacific library for tutoring class and etc
You guys are doing an amazing work! So proud :)
Current timings are ok.
With young children running around and turning the library into a playground, it has become quite disruptive. Parents should ensure they follow the rules.
I feel it would be a beneficial place to be open when many other third places are not.
I use the library . I usually order a book & collect from library. I know there is more at the library than books i will get around to it one day and use library more.
no
I would like it to open earlier than 10. I drop off my daughter to School at Christway and would go to the library to find a job using the computer. I had to wait over an hour for it to open. I stay there up to approx 12pm, depending on my job search activities allow me, cause sometimes I would schedule my interview using the library facilities.
I absolutely love the libraries in the City of Wyndham and the ability to place a Hold on new books etc to be sent to my local library in Manor Lakes when I am aged almost 80 is a fabulous and very much appreciated facility.. Thank you
I don't very often use the library on weekends, so probably don't have a preference either way, but I didn't get that option.
Initiate home gardening and diy sessions
Instead of opening on a Sunday could the library stay open on a week night for those who work could visit. I know that during my working life I often the library in my area of Heidelberg was open for me to visit on the way home. This was 12 years ago
Love the service you guys are providing the community. And I appreciate the engagement - checking our preferred weekend schedule for the library. Well done and keep up the great work.
Keep up the good work! Love the service there, if the budget was enough to fund operating hours all days of the week, that would be my top preference.
I think the library should only be open for holds and returns on Sundays
Saturday hours are longer, and more time to get to the library if people have other things on, and Sundays would be shorter.
If possible please extend hours on Saturday.
For new timing trials the overall opening hrs are being reduced. Sundays might work better if the hrs are the same as Sat.
Actually I am happy with either Saturday OR Sunday openings.
Having the library open for a shorter period on the weekend defeats the purpose of the request to have more accessibility over the weekend
It is unfair NOT to have a library in Wyndham Vale. Manor Lakes has everything. Using the resources and money for Wyndham Vale, please
I think everyone needs a day break. Just 3 hrs during the weekend is not right as it will limit the users in the library or might make it too crowded for people who can only come in the weekends.
Poor survey qns - it's either one scenario or the other. Clear bias. There should be an option of opening Saturday AND Sunday with suggested times e.g. 10am-2pm on both days. Had to answer No otherwise can't complete survey. Although I don't use the library, the increase in population in ML and surrounding areas should be recognised.
This survey is wrong in all the wrong ways. you are suggesting if we want the library open on a Sunday then there is no option to say we want it open on a Saturday as normal Sunday would be extra day. This survey is miss leading.
This survey is stupid. Should be opened on both days! A library is used by so many people. Some aren't able to get to the library everyday. So having it opened mon-sun would enable more people to do so!
Not a true assessment of the area's needs. Why weren't we offered the choice of both days being available perhaps with shortened hours?
It helps when library is open on Saturday. I can take my girls who love to read which is not possible during weekdays. Thanks!
I think there is likely no net benefit to changing the time. Some people "win or lose" no matter the choice. Please don't give undue weight to those requesting the change as many of the current users may prefer the current Saturday hours.
Keep the timings
No. No need for change.
The Saturday timing looks better. The Sunday afternoon opening would be good but not instead of Saturday.
Longer hours on Saturdays help me study more hours in the quiet study area space that I would not have been able to cover during the course of the week. Less hours on Sundays would not be beneficial for someone wanting to use the quiet room study space for good productivity.

Sat is better then Sunday Pls increase time to sat till 8 pm
Should not close Saturdays that is not what was part of the trial. Closing Saturdays should not be an option.
I used the library on Saturdays as a study space because the kids are home from school and it's really loud. So my husband looks after them while I do some catchup. I go to church on Sundays from 1pm-4pm so it would be useless for me for it to open for 3 hours only on Sunday.
in my opinion i suggest opening the library on a saturday, becouse is more convinient for community, kids to help with 'tools' - (books, computers-to school) and also with plenty activites and events for littleones (and their parents)-also considering our Wyndham Council budget! thank you
I can't see any value in swapping days. Sundays especially in the summer months people tend to go to beaches and do much more outdoor activity. Sundays are more like family days. Families go to church as well . I can' see any advantages. If theres no budgets for two days stick to Saturdays it is more in tune after a heavy week to go to the library and relaxe read whatever in peace and quiet.
I prefer Saturday opening
I prefer the library to remain open on Saturdays rather than switching to Sundays because Saturdays provide longer opening hours (10:00am-4:00pm) compared to the proposed Sunday hours (2:00pm-5:00pm). This gives more flexibility and accessibility for study, family visits, and community use. Saturday hours also better suit people who may need the library earlier in the day, whereas the limited Sunday hours would restrict usage.
Do not see a need to be open on Sundays as we have ample books available digitally.
I don't think that the community will gain much by opening on Sundays if that means we lose the Library being open on Saturdays. I only chose keep the current opening hours as only having the library open for 3 hours on the weekend doesn't allow much time.
Closed Saturdays is NOT a solution, there are community groups using the MLCLC on Saturdays that have elderly and mobility-compromised people that use their visit to geoup activities at MLCLC to also access the library
Sunday 3 hours is not much help ful than full day Saturday
I never knew library was open Saturdays. But for me Sunday's would be better open to pick up Dvd's to watch.
We work on our project works on Saturday in the library, so we hope it remains open on Saturdays.
For those library workers who attend church on Sunday, making them work on a Sunday isn't fair. The current weekend hours work well.
Why would you change the opening hours from Saturday to Sunday, especially at reduced hours? It doesn't make any sense. Was this survey done in consultation with libraries?
There is no need for a Sunday opening at Manor Lakes when there are other libraries in the service that are open on a Sunday. Leave it as is, longer hours are better for the community.
If it is either Saturday or Sunday then Saturday is better. Also not fair for someone to be working on a Sunday.
On Saturday we get more hours. With a lot less hours on Sunday, the Libray will also get busier
Sunday hours would restrict / close Saturday hours, that gives an even smaller window overall for all patrons.
Please keep Saturdays, it is better for families as we go to church on Sundays
Many people spend Saturdays shopping, doing housework or yard work, taking their children to sports. Trying to fit in a visit to the library is difficult. People have more free time on a Sunday to relax and do things like visit relatives and go to the library.
People generally have more time on a Sunday compared with Saturday arvo
I would suggest to open library on Sundays instead of Staurday if budget is concern
For the development of our beautiful neighborhood i would suggest that opening the library from 10 to 8pm during weekday and sunday would help families
Saturdays are very busy for families, involving quality time out together, visiting relatives and mostly sports activities, leaving little time to do homework or just to relax and read. So Sunday should be a day of rest, and what better place than a quiet library to absorb knowledge.
Extending library services to Sundays could greatly benefit working parents by providing them with more flexible access to borrow books.