

**Definitions for types of library in the
extended basic dataset from the Libraries Taskforce**

| Code | Type | Definition |
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| LAL | Local authority run library | Library building funded, run and managed by local authority staff (can be augmented by unpaid volunteers). |
| LAL- | Local authority run library | Library funded and managed by the local authority but is unstaffed. |
| CL | Commissioned library | Library building that was an LAL and part of the statutory service on 1 April 2010 and where the library building/service has since been transferred to a separate trust or organisation. This may be operating as a social enterprise or may be commercial and is commissioned and funded by a local authority. The local authority are still accountable for the service. |
| CRL | Community run library | Library building that was an LAL and part of the statutory service on 1 April 2010 and is operating now as a community run library with some level of ongoing support from a local authority. Work according to a joint agreement such as a Service Level Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding or contract. Staff are volunteers, but some form of support is available. It may or may not be counted as part of the statutory service. |
| CRL+ | Community run library | As above (with CRL), but paid staff are involved in the day to day running of the library. It may or may not be counted as part of the statutory service. |
| ICL | Independent community library | Library building that was an LAL and part of the statutory service on 1 April 2010 and is now operating as a library that has been transferred to the management of a non-local authority body and is outside the local authority network. The body could be either a community group or third party. |
| ICL+ | Independent community library | As above, but paid staff are involved in day to day running of the library. |