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Proposed amendments

No. 1 **Requirements as to services to be provided by local libraries**

Page 3, Schedule 1[1]. Insert after line 5—

(h) **Local libraries must be unbiased and viewpoint neutral**

A local library must, as far as is practical, act in an unbiased way in providing access to library material, including by providing access to library material from many viewpoints on contemporary and historical matters, including controversial matters.

(i) **Local libraries must keep accessible catalogue**

A local library must keep a publicly accessible catalogue of its library material.

No. 2 **Requirements as to services to be provided by local libraries**

Page 3, Schedule 1. Insert after line 8—

[2A] Section 11 Library committee

Insert after section 11(1)—

- (1A) Without limiting subsection (1), a local authority may delegate to the library committee the power of the local authority in ensuring the local library complies with and observes section 10(1)(h) and (i).