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(1) What has the budget allocated to libraries in your local authority been in each year from 2009 to 2018?

2009 £4,758,822
 2010 £4,250,396
 2011 £4,404,042
 2012 £4,380,744
 2013 £4,345,897
 2014 £3,085,420
 2015 £2,517,000
 2016 £1,650,000
 2017 £1,586,243
 2018 £2,327,380

(2) How much has been spent on security for libraries in each of those years?

We do not have security guards in Cornwall Libraries

(3) How many libraries were transferred from council management to that of a private company during this period?

No libraries have been transferred to private companies. We devolved 10 libraries to town and parish councils and community groups during this period

(4) Are there plans to outsource management of any libraries currently run and managed by the council?

One library is in the process of being devolved to a community group

(5) How many former library premises were sold off by the council to a private company during this period?

None to a private company. Bodmin library was sold to a Community Interest Company and Penzance Library building was sold to Penzance School of Arts. Both public libraries were relocated into new buildings.

(6) Are there any libraries in your local authority area which are now entirely run and owned by a private company, and if so, could you please provide details?

None are entirely run and owned by a private company but the following libraries have been devolved to town/parish councils and community groups. These sites are run in partnership with Cornwall Council, partners manage the staff and the buildings, Cornwall Council provides stock, systems, hardware and professional support.

Bude Library and Information Service
Camborne Library
Camelford Library and Information Service
Falmouth Library
Hayle Library and Information Service
Launceston Library and Information Service
Looe Library and Information Service
Lostwithiel Library
Newquay Library and Information Service
Par Library
Penryn Library and Information Service
Perranporth Library
Redruth Library and Information Service
Saltash Library and Information Service
St Agnes Library
St Austell Library
St Columb Library
St Ives Library and Information Service
St Just Library
Torpoint Library and Information Service
Truro Library

Wadebridge Library and
Information Service

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