

# **PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS REPORT 2004**

## **ASSESSMENT FORM**

<b>AUTHORITY</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Assessor</b>
<b>(This authority provided a standards report/commentary document (delete one))</b>		

### OVERALL ASSESSMENT OF THE 2004 PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS REPORT

Assessors are asked to consider the authority's response to the public library standards at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004. Assessors should take into account the number of national standards met at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004, the progress in meeting the national standards since March 2001, the distance from the standards measure for any standards not met at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004, and the progress in setting and meeting local standards at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004. They should base their judgement on the published assessment framework, using the weighting for the individual section scores in coming to this overall score.

The public library standards report demonstrated a weak response to the Public Library Standards, (national and local)	The public library standards report demonstrated a fair response to the Public Library Standards, (national and local)	The public library standards report demonstrated a good response to the Public Library Standards, (national and local)	The public library standards report demonstrated an excellent response to the Public Library Standards, (national and local)
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>

I recommend the following score for the evidence of this authority's response to the public library standards as at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004, including local targets and progress since national standards were introduced in January 2001.

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COMMENTS ON PUBLIC LIBRARY STANDARDS

<p><b><u>FOR ALL AUTHORITIES</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Response to public library standards at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004 (PLS 1 to 18 less PLS 10 and PLS 16, plus local targets)</u></b></p>	<p>Comment on the extent to which the authority is meeting the national and local public library standards at March 31<sup>st</sup> 2004, and the extent of the progress the authority has made to meet the standards since March 2001. Note any contextual indicators, such as the provision of mobile libraries in relation to PLS 1. Also note any standards where the authority has made significant progress towards the target since 2001, but has not yet met the standard.</p>
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**ADDITIONAL COMMENTARY  
RELATING TO THOSE  
AUTHORITIES THAT CHOSE  
TO SUPPLY A STANDARDS  
REPORT**

**Context for the public  
library service within the  
authority**

Comment on the extent to which the Standards Report shows that the authority as a corporate body has taken steps to ensure that its library service is evolving, is responding well to the authority's corporate agendas, focusing on public value, and identifying and meeting local needs. Also comment on the extent to which the resources to meet the public library standards, national and local, are adequate.

End of sections for publication

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## For authorities that chose to submit a Standards Report

(go to page 8 for the assessment form for authorities that chose to submit a commentary document)

### ASSESSMENT OF INDIVIDUAL ASPECTS

Assessors should consider the extent to which this authority has provided evidence that it is meeting the public library standards in the context of its corporate vision and ambition for the library service and adequate resources. Assessors should note examples of good practice, and bookmark the electronic version of the authority's public library standards report. Assessors should provide scores in the range 1 to 4 for sections I and for each of the sections II.i to II.iv and III.i to III.iv. They should use the scoring definitions on page 1 of this assessment. They should base their judgement on the published assessment framework.

Chapter	Score	Assessor's comments (if any)	Notes of good practice (bookmarked)
<b>I. Corporate vision</b>			
<b>II. Response to national public library standards and local targets</b>			
Chapter	Score	Assessor's comments (if any)	Notes of good practice (bookmarked)
II.i National public library standards (PLS 1 – 18 minus PLS 10 and 16) met at March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2004.			
II.ii Progress in meeting national public library standards since March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2001. (PLS 1 – 18 minus PLS 1 (ii), 2 (i), 2 (ii), 3 (ii), 10 and 16, for which no standard measures were set in 2001)			

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Chapter		Score	Assessor's comments (if any)	Notes of good practice (bookmarked)
II.iii National public library standards. (PLS 1 – 18 minus PLS 10 and 16) No. of any standards not met at March 31 <sup>st</sup> 2004 that were within 5% of the standard measure.				
	Local targets provided for 2003/04?	Local targets met?		
II.iv.a Local targets for service to children	YES/NO/SOME	YES/NO/SOME		
II.iv.b Local targets for service to socially excluded people	YES/NO/SOME	YES/NO/SOME		
II.iv.c Local targets for service to ethnic minority communities	YES/NO/SOME	YES/NO/SOME		
II.iv.d Local targets for service to people with disabilities	YES/NO/SOME	YES/NO/SOME		
II.iv Local targets score				

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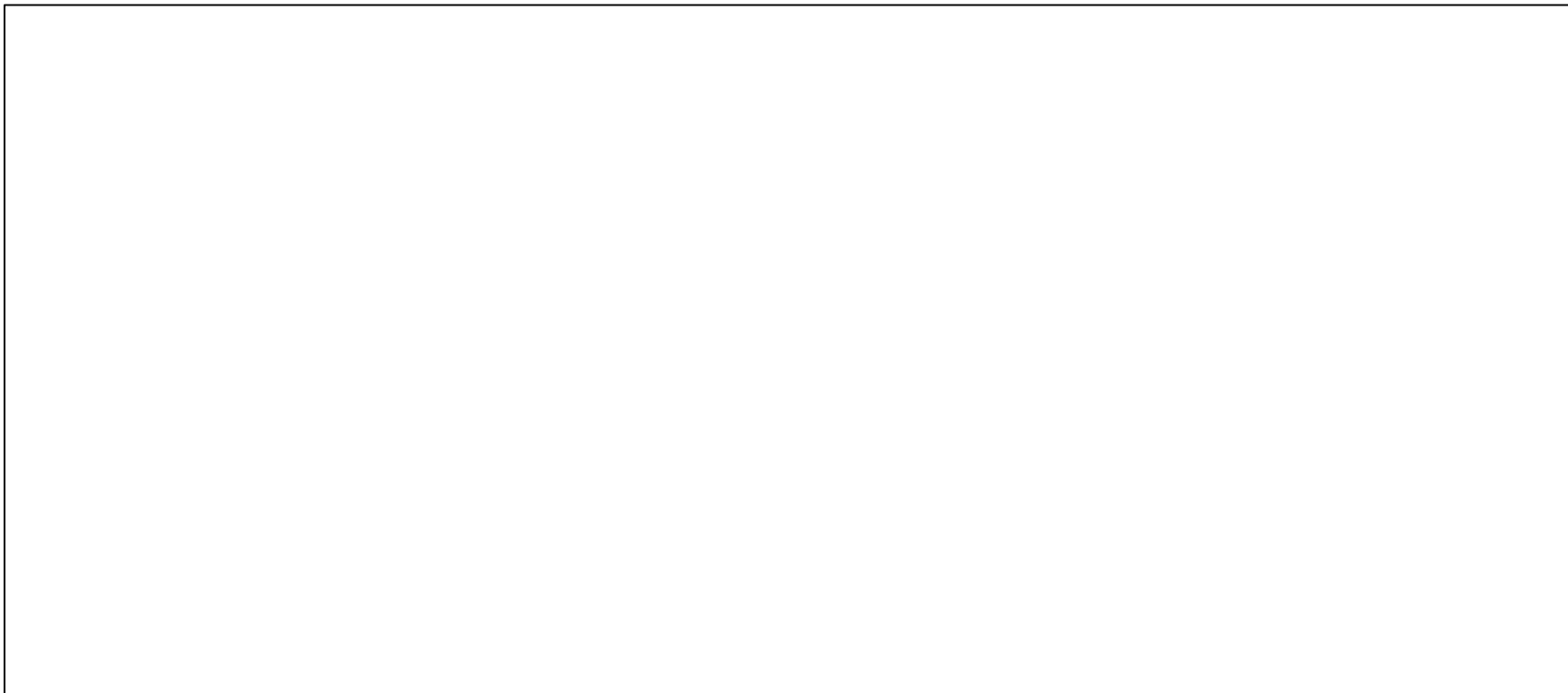
Chapter	Score	Assessor's comments (if any)	Notes of good practice (bookmarked)
<b>III. Resources</b>			
III.i Spaces			
III.ii Stock			
III.iii Staffing			
III.iv ICT			

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**ADVICE TO THE AUTHORITY**

**To be used in relation to authorities for which an assessor has given an overall score of 1 or 2 for the response to the public library standards.**

Assessors are asked to note any areas of the public library standards report to which they consider that this authority could make significant improvements in its approach, referring to the appropriate section of the 2004 guidance.



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ASSESSMENT OF STANDARDS INFORMATION

Assessors should consider the extent to which this authority has provided evidence that it is meeting the public library standards. Assessors should note examples of good practice, and bookmark the electronic version of the authority's submission. Assessors should provide scores in the range 1 to 4 for each of the sections II.i to II.iv. They should use the scoring definitions on page 1 of this assessment. They should base their judgement on the published assessment framework.

<b>II. Response to national public library standards and local targets</b>			
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II.iv	Local targets score			