

Beith Library

Current Hours/Proposed Hours

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Total
Current	10 – 1 & 2 – 5	10 – 1 & 2 – 5	CLOSED	10 – 1 & 2 – 5	10 – 1 & 2 – 5	10 – 12	26
Proposed	CLOSED	CLOSED	9.30 – 1 (Alternative weeks)	9.30 – 1 & 2 – 5	9.30 – 1 & 2 – 5	9.30 – 1 (Alternative weeks)	16.5

STATISTICS

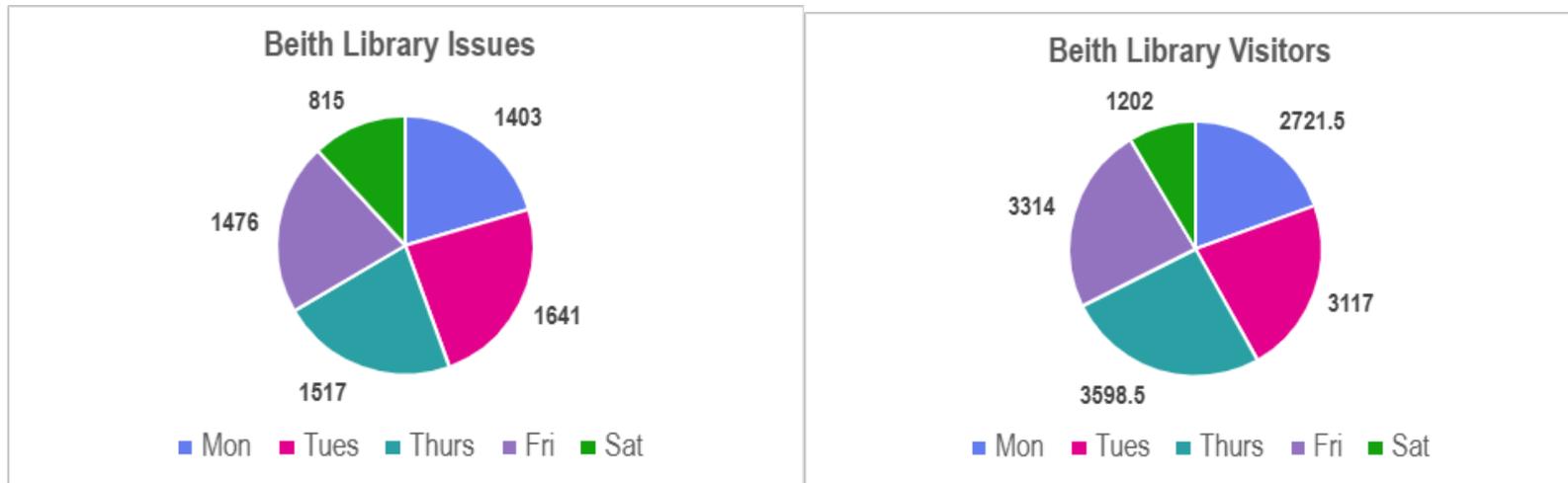
The pie charts below show -

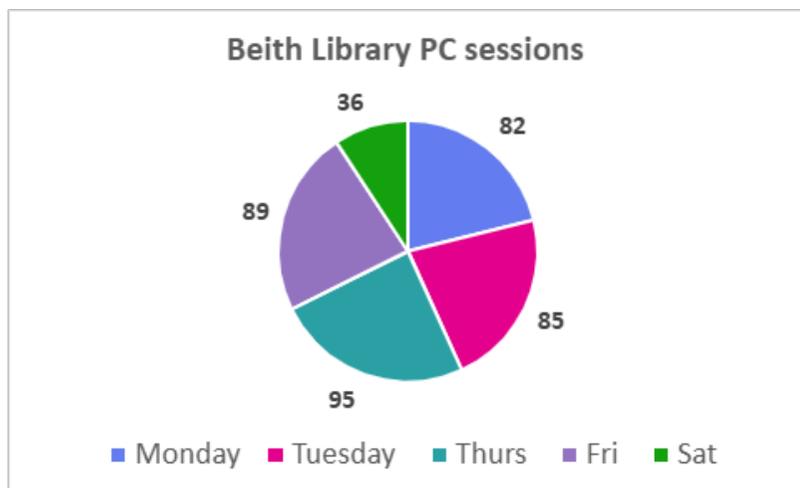
- the number of books issued each day
- how many sessions took place on public computers
- how many visitors came into the library.

They show the interactions that took place each day the library was open in the last 12 months.

These stats indicate that a Tuesday and Friday are the busiest days for borrowing books, the public computer sessions are busy on a Tuesday and Friday. These statistics were taken into consideration and supports the decision to select Thursday and Friday as the main

opening days for Beith Library with additional opening hours on alternate Wednesdays and Saturdays. Opening Beith Library on these 2 busy days also allows Dalry Library to be opened on a Monday & Tuesday, supporting them to be open on their busiest days.





Events

Our statistics also show that, from April-September Beith Library hosted 343 events which included 3 of our regular partners, 1 regular community group and 8 groups led by the library staff. Changing the opening days would impact on 2 of the partners, and 6 library led groups. To help offset the potential impact, we can offer our regular partners the opportunity to be keyholders for the building and use the space when we are not open to the public, hence keeping continuity for them and minimising the impact. The groups led by the library staff can easily be switched to another day.

Wi-Fi Sessions – 5394 sessions in previous 12 months

The public Wi-Fi will remain available 24/7 however, the ability to Wi-Fi print will be impacted by the proposed changes. The service would be available in Dalry and Kilbirnie Libraries on the days Beith is closed.

Supplementary information

The heat maps below give the breakdown of book issues and the public computer sessions per hour with sessions shaded green being the busiest and red quiet.

Book issues per opening hour

	10 - 11	11- 12	12 - 1	2 - 3	3 - 4	4 - 5
Monday	226	305	177	261	310	124
Tuesday	317	329	212	252	306	225
Thursday	250	231	181	349	232	274
Friday	261	291	225	311	238	150
Saturday	429	386				

Public Computer Sessions per opening hour

Day	10-11	11-12	12-1	2-3	3-4	4-5
Mon	15	14	6	14	28	5
Tue	13	11	6	28	22	5
Thu	23	19	9	14	24	6
Fri	14	26	7	19	15	8
Sat	24	12				

