



Annual Library Profile 2026-27

Far North Mobile Library



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Introduction

Library Profiles are prepared annually for each library within the Highland Libraries network as part of our commitment to service improvement, and to engage with our communities. They serve three main purposes:

- To assist local staff to evaluate the performance of their library in relation to their local community.
- To assist managers to monitor performance and plan service improvements across the wider network.
- To provide a concise document that can be offered to any person or organisation seeking information about a library.

Each library reflects its specific local community, making it unique. Any comparison of statistics such as issue figures must be made cautiously.

Performance and community information is based on library statistics, ward statistics or where available data relating to specific Integrated Learning Communities (Secondary school catchment areas) *. Ward or census information can be found at: <https://www.highland.gov.uk/planning-area/highland-profile-key-facts-figures>

Summary of library and services available

Branch: Far North Mobile Library

Address: c/o Wick Library
East Caithness Community Facility
Newton Road
Wick
KW1 5LT

Telephone No: 01955 609709

Mobile Tel. 07771 505 174

Email address: farnorthmobile.library@highlifehighland.com

Web Address: <https://www.highlifehighland.com/libraries/mobile-libraries/far-north-mobile-library>

Associated School Group: Thurso High School Rural, Farr High School Rural, KinlochBervie High School.

Ward: 1 North, West and Central Sutherland; 2 Thurso and Northwest Caithness

Accommodation

Far North Mobile cover the North Coast from John O'Groats to Kinlochbervie. It runs a three-week timetable that covers north and west Caithness in the first week, with stops in all the main villages and surrounding areas. The next week is Reay area through to Bettyhill and Borgie also down to Forsinard and Stathnaver, with stops out at by Strathy Lighthouse and by RSPB Forsinard. The final week is from Tongue area and Talmine, round Loch Eriboll, out to Durness and the Kinlochbervie area.

Opening hours

Monday	09:00 – 17:00
Tuesday	09:00 – 17:00
Wednesday	09:00 – 17:00
Thursday	09:00 – 17:00
Friday	Closed to the public for admin.
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

Accessibility

Car parking:

N/A

Public transport:

N/A

Additional information

Routes are checked and updated as they are changed due to changes in demographics.

Activities

Regular children's activities:

The Summer Reading Challenge aimed at children from 4-11 years.

Regular adult events:

Collect and return service

For customers who do not wish to browse our shelves in the library, we provide a Collect and Return service. By phoning or emailing your local library, a member of staff will select books for your chosen genre and arrange a convenient time for you to collect them.

How are we performing?

Far North Mobile Library

	2024-25
Visits	4,544
Event Attendance	1,277
Issues	5,679
Events	115

Reference and local history collections

(Please tick)	Basic collection	Collection of area significance	Collection of Highland significance	Collection of national significance
Reference collection		✓	✓	✓
Local history		✓	✓	✓

Please visit our website for more information: <https://www.highlifehighland.com>

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