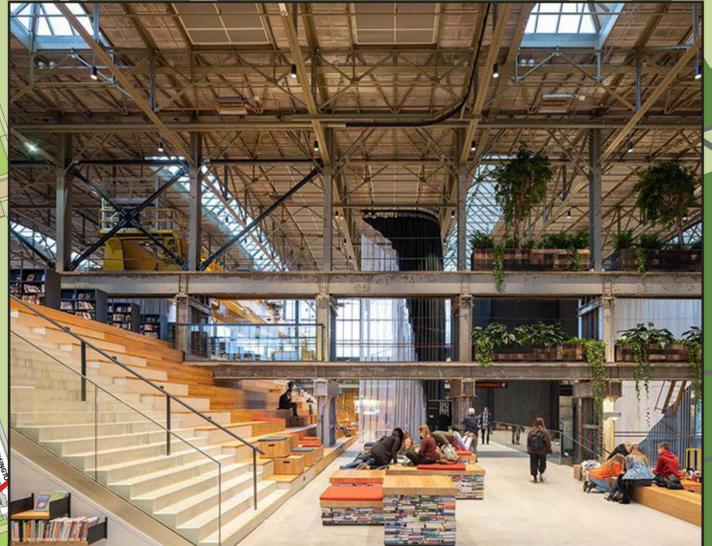


# Connecting the Town Hall and Library to the High Street



## CAFÉ

- A café under the Council Chamber could make the Town Hall Square more interesting and welcoming.
- This could create more activity, encourage people to spend more time in the square and could be used to compliment events held in the town hall.

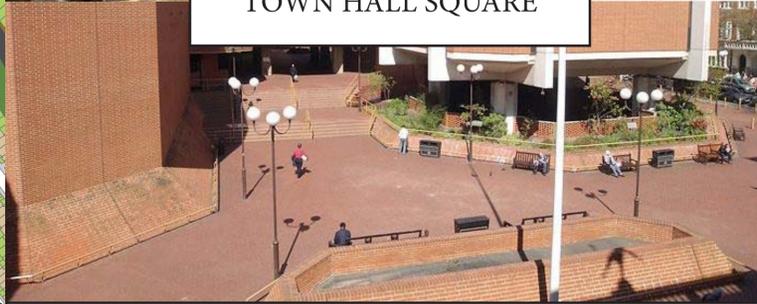


## LIBRARIES

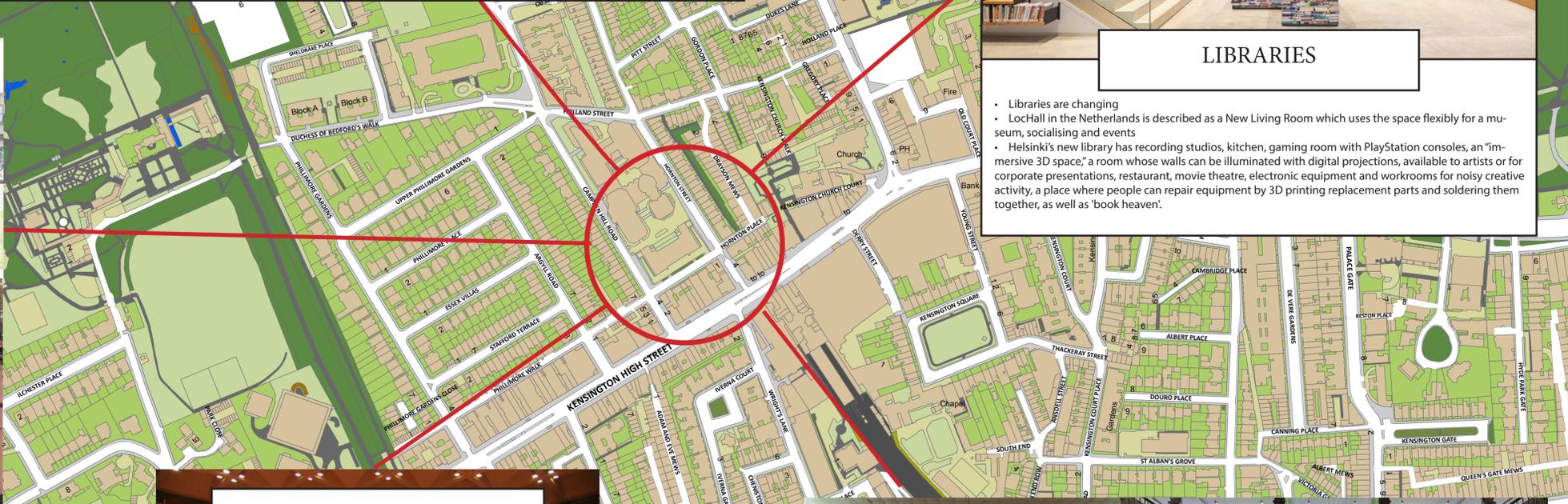
- Libraries are changing
- LocHall in the Netherlands is described as a New Living Room which uses the space flexibly for a museum, socialising and events
- Helsinki's new library has recording studios, kitchen, gaming room with PlayStation consoles, an "immersive 3D space," a room whose walls can be illuminated with digital projections, available to artists or for corporate presentations, restaurant, movie theatre, electronic equipment and workrooms for noisy creative activity, a place where people can repair equipment by 3D printing replacement parts and soldering them together, as well as 'book heaven'.



## TOWN HALL SQUARE



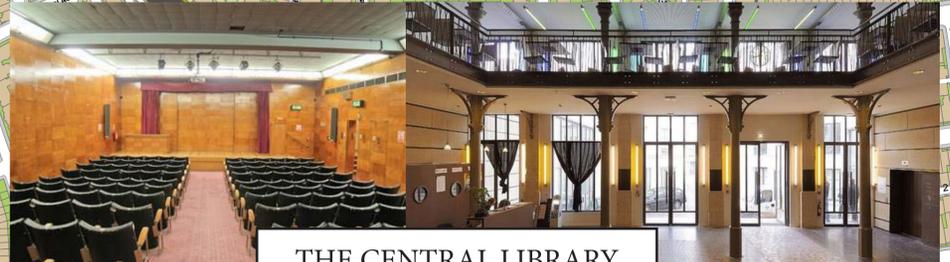
- Kensington High Street doesn't have an open air event space
- Could we make use of the square for events like markets and screenings?
- Potential for increased footfall and cultural community events tied to the library or other local initiatives



## TOWN HALL EVENTS SPACES



- Potential refurbishment of town hall events spaces to attract more events that would maintain and increase footfall.



## THE CENTRAL LIBRARY

- The library is well used (250,000) visitors per year, but has under used assets like the lecture theatre
- Could we make better use of the library space by introducing a mezzanine?
- Could we glaze the entrance arches to enlarge the library space?

