

Request

1. The number of book challenges received by Wigan Metropolitan Borough for each calendar year between January 2020-August 2026.

2. The number of challenges received for each year.

3. The title and author of each book challenge.

4. The reason provided for each book challenge.

5. The action taken in response to each book challenge (for example, book removed, book relocated or reclassified or no action taken).

Response

2020 – 2024 Data not recorded

2025 – According to Humphries Series (all stock), Spy Dog, Spy Cat & Spy Pups

2026 – None to date

2020 – 2024 Data not recorded

2025 – Full series withdrawal

2026 – None to date

According to Humphries – whole stock removal

Spy Dog, Spy Cat and Spy Pups – whole stock removal

According to Humphries due to stock containing a weblink that may have directed reader to inappropriate content.

Spy Dog, Spy Pups and Spy Cat series due to stock containing a weblink that may have directed reader to inappropriate content.

Book removed, letters sent out to active borrowers with a current loan advising of urgent recall. Contact made with digital provider to make them aware of removal of physical stock and to remove from digital content if available.