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# Roving

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### About us

- Serving a community of 78,000 people
- Illawarra on the South Coast NSW
- Fast-growing area



#### About us

- 5 Library branches
- New and refurbished libraries

Move to roving customer service 2018



### How we rove

- Roving guidelines
- Side by side service

Concierge



### How we rove

• We have a small service pod

- Task rotation
- Staff identification



## What we use

iPads

Pouches

Apps and websites



#### What's on the iPad

- LMS and library website
- Bookings and printing

Other apps



## What's in the pouch

- iPad with Apple Pencil
- iPhone
- Library cards
- Conditions of Membership
- Notepad and pens



# How it's going – 5 years on

- Positive customer response
- Welcoming environment
- Assistance anywhere



### What we've learned

- Evolving roving
- Tech troubleshooting
- Other services enhanced



### Keys to success

- Recruiting engaging staff
- Staff training
- Having the right tech



#### Resources

- iPad pouches modulR, HUNYUITEY, directnine
- Service pods supplier Yakety Yak
- Counting app for ECR QTally



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# Thank you!

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