

Refurbishing an old library



- What were your assumptions when rethinking your library spaces?
- What were the drivers?
- Have the staff and users been involved in the process?



Assumptions when rethinking our library spaces

- Physical collections will grow at a slower pace
- Computers will be smaller and everyone will carry their own
- Interacting with others increases



What were the drivers?

- Change
- Wear and tear





Have the staff and users been involved in the process?

Users



- **Academics as providers of funds**
- Staff



A project to describe the library's activities

- Collections
- Customer service
- Study spaces
- Teaching spaces
- Offices and common areas for the staff
- Logistics
- Technical details



- Refurbishment blog
- Spokesperson





The devil is in the detail



Advice to those planning to renovate their library

- Don't!
- Think new, review what you do and how
- Know thyself!



Thank you!