

## **JIBS User Group Committee Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> September 2012 EDINA Offices, Causwayside, Edinburgh**

**Present:** Fiona Bowtell (FB) (Chair); James Caudwell (JC); Yvonne Cotton (YC); Julie Hamley (JHam); June Hedges (JH); Maggie Johnston (MJ); Andria McGrath (AM); Elizabeth McHugh (EM); Nicola Tricker (NT)

**Apologies for absence:** Louise Cole (LC); Catherine Parker (CP); Nadine Edwards (NE); Liz Higgs (LH); Catherine Robertson (CR); Sue Cumberpatch (SC)

### **1. Meeting with EDINA**

#### *JISC reorganization*

EDINA presented on recent developments. Following the JISC re-organisation, EDINA is looking to discover its place in the new JISC “family”. While acknowledging the continuing importance of EDINA activities; there had to be a new emphasis on properly revealing these activities and their value to the community. The new governance of JISC lies now with HE institutions via a forthcoming subscription model forthcoming. There had been growth in EDINA’s range of activities and although recently a levelling-off, there was no collapse and no threat in the financial position, but some uncertainty.

#### *New website*

Peter Burnhill, EDINA Director, demonstrated the range of EDINA’s activities with reference to the revision of its website, launched just prior to JIBS meeting. The “Measuring impact” link on the “About us” page was highlighted. Included here are satisfaction surveys, usage statistics, and “talking heads” (online videos) that provide qualitative evaluation of EDINA services.

The JISC Media Hub was discussed in the “Explore” portion of the website. “Explore” attempted to address ways of browsing/searching where metadata is sparse. JIBS suggested exposing services from EDINA hidden below the main service platforms. EDINA will think about providing options for links for libraries to add to A-Z lists; some will want links at a higher or lower level.

The “Support for developers and librarians” portion of the website aimed to provide tools for unlocking data via text mining (e.g. extracting place names and allowing those to be used as metadata). The tools commonly require a combination of expertise (technical, librarian & researcher).

#### *Keepers registry*

Another service receiving much acclaim is the “Keepers registry”. Both the ARL and LIBER are interested in taking this database on the archiving done on electronic journals to an international scale. A paper by Peter Burnhill is due to come out in *Serials Review* (PB will supply the reference to JIBS on publication). JISC’s KB+ project is making use of the expertise on the gathering of the data for the Registry.

EDINA is exploring how to take the benefits of the Registry for ejournals (c. 30,000) back to SUNCAT (integrating the online and print for serial titles).

### ***EDINA's projects***

EDINA described the pages on the website that show the previous “archive” work done which may have informed later service development, or may have only resulted in furthering understanding of a need, i.e. as project work scoping to explore issues. EDINA welcomed feedback on how to demonstrate the value of this historic work; one suggestion from JIBS was to arrange the pages thematically (as was done for the current projects). EDINA is concerned to find the right balance for the past and current work done in order to showcase its achievements fully.

### ***Research data management & Mantra***

JIBS interest in research data management led to a discussion of EDINA's Mantra service. This is a RDM training suite geared at postgrads including course materials across different disciplines, but as a project started with Edinburgh University it had not got as well-known to the wider community. EDINA may explore with JIBS how to publicize it better. The self-assessment piece is currently missing as Mantra was designed as a not a for credit course. In some schools in Edinburgh University it has though become a required course and can be embedded in VLEs although this has not been done at Edinburgh to date. It has had enthusiastic take-up by distance learners (e.g. in NHS schools). Data protection information is to be published in Mantra in October 2012. EDINA is using mantra to train liaison librarians at Edinburgh. For future contact for JIBS agenda of activities for workshops: Robin Rice at EDINA.

### ***UK Repository Net+***

EDINA highlighted a new infrastructure for institutions running institutional repositories: UK repository Net+. This allows deposit in one repository to made in others. The Romeo and Juliet services are to be moved to this deposit infrastructure. Crucially the Fundref project is working on including a grant application's reference and articles' DOIs in the same metadata record. EDINA is keen to discuss this project's scope separately with JIBS or particular individuals in JIBS to understand community requirements more thoroughly.

### ***MediaHub***

JIBS asked about saving collections within a user's profile? (similar to building collections of materials on Bridgeman or ArtSTOR)

EDINA: Personalization with “My MediaHub” – due to come soon in development schedule (see: Read our blog \ Roadmap \ Development roadmap \ In development \ Grapevine service in MyMediaHub \ Bookmarking, commenting, rating, group-working)

JIBS asked about searching when limiting to a type of image (e.g. still images; videos) and then refining that search without losing the limits originally set. This can be done by setting as a default. JIBS suggested this should be the default without having to have it set. EDINA is going to find out why this isn't set as the default.

There was discussion about the supply of image collections to the MediaHub. EDINA would be keen that universities regard themselves as suppliers of images for sharing in MediaHub. (See in MediaHub: Repository for self – i.e. institutional – deposit of user contributed content.) EDINA is more interested in collections than in single images. JIBS thought there were many institutions who could take advantage of MediaHub to share their image collections for wider dissemination.

### ***Further Education***

JIBS raised attention to EDINA of FE resourcing as a very real barrier to subscription. JISC Collections is known to be looking at this issue for FE in more detail. EDINA suggested that the prohibitive costs for Digimap could be addressed by offering a no-download service within Digimap which would be available for FE at a lower cost.

### ***Access Management / Shibboleth***

Peter Burnhill noted “interfederation work” continuing at EDINA, involving redefinitions of what federations are. There was discussion about the cause of the lack of granularity available within Shibboleth. This can be traced back to institutions preference for anonymizing usage data and barring attribute release (at more granular levels) to information providers. It was suggested that librarians were the body that needed to take this forward although they needed a forum which may be JIBS to do this. A standard for desired levels of attribute release was required for librarians to take to institutions to agree. EDINA is continuing to carry forward the work started in the Publisher interface study of 2009. It had provided WAYFLESS URLs for profiling for a more institutional view on Shibboleth login screens. Following a related discussion on Shibboleth authentication of resources linked out from VLEs it was agreed that EDINA would look to hear from JIBS about particular use cases and that a variety of opinions was required from a wider audience (since to date EDINA had not heard of any issues in this area).

### **Actions for JIBS:**

**FB to contact Linda Purdey regarding continuation of enhancement group on JISC MediaHub.**

**FB to contact Joan Bird regarding a feedback group under the aegis of JIBS for geospatial community.**

## **2. Minutes of the last ordinary meeting**

These were approved as an accurate record.

## **3. Matters arising**

There were none that were not covered by the main agenda.

#### 4. Treasurer's report

JH reported that JIBS had 17 K in reserve, and that she had just transferred 2 K to the current account. Some membership renewals came in as late as the last event.

Thanks to the success of the last workshop and sharing the costs with RLUK, JIBS almost broke even.

Lesley who helps with invoicing is retiring from UCL. She will continue to do admin support for JIBS for one more year.

JHam asked if we sent out a note about the value of JIBS with the renewal. The real issue with renewals is ensuring the correct contact at an institution receives the renewal. So it is probably not worth sending this information with the renewal. A better approach would be via maillists.

**Action: FB: write to LIS-E-RESOURCES to market JIBS at a wider level in the next couple of months.**

#### 5. Admin/Finance/Constitution matters/Committee membership & Committee roles

##### *FE representation*

Liz Higgs had resigned as the FE representative. The committee recorded its thanks for the work Liz had put into JIBS and noted her thanks to JIBS: "Thank you to you, and to all of the JIBS Committee, for being so welcoming and friendly to me whilst I was on the Committee. I enjoyed my time with you but wish I could have done more."

Liz suggested two names from FE. FB has emailed them with a holding reply.

**Action: LC to express Liz Higgs' thoughts (recorded below) to EIRWG (JISC) :**  
"You asked for news on the FE sector - General disillusion with the sector – lots of compulsory redundancies, restructures, services being restricted due to cuts, lots of colleagues leaving voluntarily due to low morale."

Re: electronic resources provision – again, not much news on this but feedback received is that FE is a very small fish in a very large pond as far as electronic publishers are concerned. Unfortunately, colleges in FE can't afford them and/or access to them is a problem due to not always having Athens provision due to lack of money and/or being small institutions."

**Action: FB to invite the names suggested by Liz to the next meeting for a discussion on how best to engage with the FE community.**

SC has told FB that she is likely to retire at some point in 2013.

**Meeting attendance.** FB emphasized members had a responsibility as members to attend meetings (not just workshops). JH noted JIBS does not need all committee

members to attend workshops and those not directly involved would need to pay (under the terms of their institutional memberships).

*Groups.* It was suggested that in order to make sure attendance was maintained for the enhancement and liaison groups, two committee members were named for each group.

**Action: JC to pool information on meeting dates and venues for the website admin page.**

**Action: Committee to continue discussion on groups by email.**

**Action: YC to contact Mark Clowes about google analytics account.**

**Action: LC to send document on updating of website documents to group.**

## **6. Prize committee news**

Hessey citation analysis gets it

Mayne rds to be highly commended

Going to ask Mayne if we can put hers on website for institutions not yet having selected their rds

JH going to contact Sheffield to inform individual

JH going to ask winner to hold out to Feb to receive prize money and present on it at AGM Feb workshop

## **7. Event feedback and planning: AGM and event February 2013, location and ideas**

Feedback on the last event “Demistifying research data: don’t be scared, be prepared” was very good and on the day positive feedback was received. Some participants felt the day had been a bit rushed as there was a lot to cover. There was much interest in running it again elsewhere; booking was full up and people had to be turned away.

RLUK is keen to run more events with JIBS around research data management, best practice etc. They have identified some themes for future workshops, including international efforts on RDM as benchmark and training and re-skilling for library staff. RLUK recommends the same format, with selection of appropriate case studies to bring to events as basis for discussion and want to engage with the DCC to review case studies where services can be developed. RLUK envisages the collaboration with JIBS as moving towards tangible services.

JH will find out more about the funding and what RLUK exactly wants from JIBS in terms of support, and also the timeframes. There was consensus that JIBS should continue its work on a broader level supporting the community, and avoid too narrow a concentration on RDM.

**Action JH to contact RLUK and get more information**

For the February workshop the issue of the future of search was agreed as the topic, in the context of institutions’ adoption of discovery layers or resource discovery layers (RDS).

**JC will coordinate with CP**

**CP investigate location: SOAS again or somewhere else in london?**

**JHam will investigate speakers at the Sheffield Summon implementation group**

**Terry Bucknell was identified as a potential speaker CP approach him?**

**FB ask committee for thoughts on speakers, including possible Huddersfield case study ( Done post meeting)**

**Doodle poll : for a date for last week Feb/1<sup>st</sup> March (London).**

## **8. JIBS Web site & Blog**

YC reported that *Free virtual servers* don't support websites with the ac.uk domain and so we have to continue as we are. This is less of an issue than before as YC feels she has now got the website under control.

**Action: JC should send minutes from last year to YC for posting on the website.**

**Action: YC can progress a clean-up of the working groups' pages.**

**Action: YC to add a new section for the prize (there may be complications with this).**

**Action: YC to send MJ username password for MJ as backup**

**Action: JC to send updated contact list to YC for addition to admin area**

## **9. Mailing lists report**

AM reported the list had 321 subscribers with a steady stream joining and a few coming off.

## **10. Reports on enhancement groups**

**BSOL (HS)** JC had written to Hannah South (in addition to the message calling for reports that went to LIS-JIBS-ADVISORS) but hadn't heard back.

**Action: JC will chase.**

**IHS (Frances Hyde)** The IHS minutes were reviewed from the last IHS meeting. The discussion on IHS inclusion in and data compatibility with RDS was noted, particularly in light of the planned workshop on RDS/discovery layers for Feb 2013.

**EBSCO (ST)** The minutes of the last EBSCO enhancement group meeting were received and noted.

**Ovid (MC)** The OVID enhancement group is to meet later in 2012.

**Scopus (NW)** The Scopus enhancement group is to meet later in 2012.

**WoS (AM)** AM reported that the WoS enhancement group is to meet later in 2012 and that Thomson Reuters intends to split InCites out to a separate meeting. Thomson Reuters are keen to promote the Book Citation Index.

**ACM (FB)** FB had emailed the original parties with interest in the ACM group. No-one had come back but four new names have come forward.

**Action: FB to contact ACM.**

**ProQuest (CR/JC)** An inaugural meeting had been held in July 2012. The draft minutes were circulated to the committee for information. Both ProQuest and JIBS thought that a positive start had been made.

**Gale Cengage (JC)** There was no progress to report.

### **Reports on JISC Working Groups**

**GeoSpatial (JB)** Following the discussion with EDINA, FB to email Joan Bird concerning the representation of geospatial interests to JISC and the potential for the formation of a group for this community.

**Action: FB to email Joan Bird**

**JISC Stakeholder Group (JH)** JH reported that the JISC Stakeholder group had been stood down. There are now important areas of interest that do not appear to be adequately represented by EIRWG. It was noted that JISC had found it difficult to get the desired publisher input into the Stakeholder group.

**JISC electronic information resources working group (EIRWG) (LC)** The notes distributed by LC to the group were noted. In particular ebooks were highlighted as an area not covered by the JISC groups with the Stakeholder group stood down and EIRWG apparently not picking this up.

**Action: FB will contact LC in order to talk about this.**

### **11. Reports on liaison activity**

**EDINA (EM)** Covered by meeting notes above.

**Eduserv (NT/JHam)** Notes on a meeting held with Eduserv had been circulated. It was noted that Eduserv continues to negotiate with Informa on an Eduserv deal.

**FE (LH)** FB to contact Stephen Harvey and Elaine Mulholland.

**MIMAS (JC)** The MIMAS Board of Management meeting was due to be held 26 September 2012. [This has now been cancelled and the next MIMAS meeting will be Jan/Feb 2013.]

**Research Councils (MJ)** MJ noted that the Babraham Institute in Cambridge had closed its library.

### **12. AOB**

There was none.

### **13. Date and venue of next meeting**

To be arranged by doodle poll. December 2012: first three weeks for committee meeting in London at UCL. February/March 2013: last week Feb + 1 March for AGM and February workshop. London.