Cheshire & Mersey Health Libraries Group

Minutes of meeting held on 3rd April 2012 at Mersey Deanery

1.	Present: Angela Donnelly (Chair); Lis Edwards (Minutes); Susan Smith; Gill Swash; Vicky Bramwell; Anne Roberts; Kieran Lamb; Suzanne Ford; David Stewart; Helen Blackburn; Angela Hall; Bernie Hayes; Rachel Bury	
2.	Apologies: Eileen Hume; Michael Mason; Stephen Molloy; Linda Ferguson; Cath McCafferty; Adrienne Mayers; Maureen Horrigan; Jacquie Maung	
3.	Minutes of last meeting and matters arising: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a correct record.	
	Matters arising: E learning: There was further discussion about e-learning, and it was agreed that a survey across the North West library community would be useful to establish what involvement library staff have with e-learning. David will ask Gill Young to carry out the survey before this subject is raised at a Library Managers' meeting.	DS
	HCLU: HCLU are now using Office 2010	
4.	Round table update: Rachel: Rachel confirmed that she will be moving to a new role, but will continue to be involved until her successor is appointed — expected to be late May. Aintree has been successful in a bid from the LDF to be spent on publicity. She also reported to the group on a North of England event on Elearning Strategy that she had attended. Suzanne: Katherine Dumenil is leaving at the end of the month. The library continues to be very well used. Bernie: The library's involvement in the 6 book challenge was picked up by the trust Communication team, who have created very positive publicity. Vicky: Following the success in the Sally Hernando Awards, the communication team created very positive publicity for the library service. Angela: the library has purchased Dell Latitude slates, also they have upgraded from Clinical Evidence to Best Practice. Foundation Status for the Trust has been deferred for 12 months. Helen: A decision is imminent for a contractor for a new hospital at Alder Hey, due to be completed in 2016. A library assistants post is currently being advertised. Kieran: PDA books have been purchased from Ebsco, and following some teething problems should be available shortly. A working group has been established to discuss the future direction of the	

	library service.	
	Gill: The top level structure of the CSS has now been published,	
	with Directors appointments due to be made this week. There is	
	still a lot of uncertainty. The Library is working to adapt to	
	providing services across a larger footprint and has purchased	
	Soutron in order to provide a more flexible, web based library	
	management system. New library web pages are also being	
	developed on the new CSS website.	
	Susan: A temporary library assistant has been appointed. Susan	
	also reported on staff changes at the University of Chester.	
	There has been a joint purchase (with Macclesfield) of eBooks for	
	community based users. They are also involved joint e-book	
	project with the University of Chester. A new trust website is also	
	being developed.	
	Angela: The library has now been told that they will be moving in	
	July to a new location which will probably be much smaller than at	
	present, so stock levels will have to be revised.	
5.	Athens update (Anne Roberts):	
	The new Proquest platform has now been launched.	
	The Athens stats report is now on the Lihnn website, together with	
	a report showing the raw statistics.	
	Medicines Complete is now showing as BNF and BNF for children in	
	Athens.	
	The Athens contract with EduServe expires in June and negotiations	
	with potential contractors are ongoing. The contract with EduServe	
	will be extended in the interim until a decision is made.	
	Anne reported that all staff that she has been informed about who	
	have moved organisation under TCS have been transferred, if other	All
	staff need to be moved please contact Anne to arrange for them to	
	be transferred.	
	There was a discussion about Athens access and organisation IDs	
	staff within emerging Commissioning Support Services (CSS) and	
	Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG). It was agreed that Gill will	GS
	email Anne with a view to setting up a pilot area for the CSS and	
	CCGs in Cheshire Warrington and Wirral.	
6.	HCLU update (David Stewart):	
	Information about the 2011/12 stats return has been emailed to all	
	services; the deadline for return is July 2012.	
	LQAF letters to Chief Executives will be sent out this week.	
	New guidance and the SAT for the 2012 LQAF should be sent out in	
	the next two weeks.	
	There will be invitations for bids from the Library Development	
	Fund, expected in June/July 2012.	
	David asked for case studies to go on the eWIN website.	
	David reminded everyone that it is vital to keep abreast of the	
	changes going on within organisations during the current	
	restructuring of the NHS.	

	David is the new chair of SHALL Content and Collection	
	Development group as of 1 st April 2012.	
	Kieran is the Chair of SIMTIG and Gill Young is chair of the Staff	
	Development group.	
7.	Opportunities for collaboration:	
	Angela raised the issue of several libraries having to dispose of	
	journal stock due to downsizing of library space. It was suggested	
	that we could look into the possibility of the British Library hosting	
	these unwanted collections, they then could be accessed with only	
	a handling fee to pay.	
	Vicky also suggested that there could be a collaborative bid to buy	
	an e-journal archive. Following discussion it was suggested that	
	before any decision was made it would be useful to determine from	
	what date period the majority of requests were for.	
	A working group has been set up to look at e-book collaboration	
	across the North West.	
8.	Any other business:	
	Kieran has created QR codes for all of the Oxford Handbooks,	
	contact Kieran for details.	
	Vicky asked about the Athens log in for the new link resolver – any	
	queries about this should be sent to Colin Davies.	
	David advised the group that libraries will only have one weeks	
	notice of the launch of the updated HDAS platform.	
	Gill informed the group that Professor Graham will be available for	
	the July meeting, Joe McCardle is also due to talk at the July	
	meeting.	
9.	Date of next meeting:	
	3 rd July 2012	
	To be held at Regatta Place	
	Chair: Gary Sutton	
	Minutes: Cath McCafferty	