SHERIF USER GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING
Date: 17 October 2022

In Attendance:
Elaine Mulholland (C), Jane Cooke (T), Adam Robinson (S), Karen Ball, Nicola Tricker, Michelle Walker

	Agenda	
1.	**Apologies:** Susan Abbott	
2.	**Arrivals and departures – to include Enhancement Groups:** None.	
3.	**Minutes of the last ordinary meeting:** Agreed.	

4.	**Matters arising:**
	
	1. **AGM Event –** three subject areas identified:
	   o Read and Publish agreements
	   o Sustainability/ responsible procurement
	   o DEI – decolonisation strategies and diversifying collections
	
	Agreed there is a risk the DEI/Decolonisation theme may overlap issues discussed at upcoming UKSG event in November. Sherif aims to keep event themes fresh and offer alternative subject matter.
	
	Discussed prescient nature of Read and Publish agreements. In particular; exploring the possibility of a standardised approach within the sector to agreeing terms for outputs, assessing APCs, interrogating usage, understanding/forecasting VAT charges etc. Establish best practice and the most effective approach to effective data gathering and evaluation.
	
	Discussed the need for clarity on what transition really means and where is the sector is headed, what does the future look like post transition and when are we likely to arrive at this point?
		ALL:
		Suggest speakers

Other areas to consider; rights retention, Libraries as publishers, conforming to REF and international review and the impact on roles and responsibilities of Library staff. Perspectives from a National and Global level welcomed. Possible event title: *When will we be transformed?* Potential date(s) for event considered: w/c 27th Feb. Constitution may require it to be closer to previous AGM: w/c 6th Feb Platform for online hosting: Agreed to use Zoom as per previous online events. University of Plymouth and University of Liverpool both have Zoom licenses.	**EM:** Check constitution for required date of AGM
2. Website – Trello board Trello board reviewed. Noted sherif prize has not been included, queried whether necessary; website would host slides, previous winners details, but copyright restrictions to be considered. Agreed no additional materials, users or requirements to be added. Separate meeting to be scheduled to agree scope of project and business case.	**EM:** set up meeting to discuss website scope and requirements.
3. Ebsco - charging for training DSTL were quoted for asking for training for new EDS interface. Agreed experience of the group is that training is usually free in such circumstances. Identified that Ebsco offer self-registration for scheduled online training sessions. When challenged Ebsco offered the training for free. Discussed Clarivate charging for EndNote training and whether this is a new trend amongst suppliers. Also discussed concerns around increase to resources and the impact of USD costs against the value of GBP. Agreed this should be monitored and reported.	

5.	**Reports on liaison activity**	
5.1	**JISC Content Expert Group (CEG) – Jane Cooke** Slides attached.	
5.2	**Research Councils – Karen Ball dstl –** None	
5.3	**FE – Vacant**	
6.	**Reports on enhancement groups**	
6.1	**BSOL – Vacant Chair**	
6.2	**HIS/CIS – Vacant Chair**	
6.3	**EBSCO – Kath Halfpenny** - None	
6.4	**Ovid – Delyth Morris** - None	
6.5	**Proquest – Wendy Mears** - None	
6.6	**Scopus – Elizabeth McHugh** - None	
6.7	**Web of Science – Karen Ball (dstl)** - None	
7.	**sherif Prize – Michelle Walker:** Waiting for submissions. Volunteers required for judging.	
8.	**AGM Planning –** Agreed theme: Read and Publish agreements. Date provisionally set for w/c 6.2.23 or w/c 27.2.23	
9.	**Event Feedback –** N/A	
10.	**Treasurer's Update:** None	
11.	**Mailing lists:** None	
12.	**Date and place of next meeting:** Early December w/c 5.12.22	**EM:** to send doodle poll.
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