



**Minutes of the Mental Health Libraries Group
Held on 23th July at 10am
Earnest Rutherford Room, Waterdale, Prestwich Hospital**

PRESENT	Carmel Smith (Chair), Vicky Bramwell, John Brooke, John Coulshed, Bernie Hayes, Rosalind McNally, Sheila Marsh (by conference phone)
IN ATTENDANCE	Claire Honeybourne, EBSCO
APOLOGIES	Emily Hopkins Cath Mc Cafferty Pippa Orr, Liz Stitt, David Stewart

NO	MINUTES	ACTION
1	<p>Welcome & apologies Apologies were received from David Stewart who sent a brief statement to be read in his absence – see item 10</p> <p>Sheila Marsh joined the meeting via speaker phone from Cumbria Claire Honeybourne of EBSCO joined the meeting at 11am</p>	
2	<p>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes were approved as a correct record</p>	
3	<p>MATTERS ARISING AND ACTION LOG E-books: see Agenda items 4 & 5</p> <p>Bids to Library Development Fund: see Agenda item 7</p>	
4	<p>EBSCO E-books</p> <p>VB raised the issue of platform fees that e-book suppliers are now charging to individual libraries for access to their content; no longer paid at national level as part of core content. There was uncertainty as to what HCLU is paying for: whether it is a fee for access to regionally purchased content, or is part of national access fee. RM suggested we sought clarification from DS on this.</p> <p>VB expressed the view that all e-books purchased should be made available on whatever platform is purchased; content should be transferrable. She suggested raising this with Claire Honeybourne. SM expressed the doubt that it were possible to go with a single platform, and that Coutts (My I-Library) does offer the facility to pull together a number of platforms including EBSCO.</p> <p>The group discussed the advantages of consortia purchasing and whether this was possible with EBSCO, as all libraries represented in the group purchased EBSCO content. It was thought that a consortium purchase might be something HCLU would fund, possibly as an LDF bid. Another option might be to negotiate a discount for each library within the group.</p> <p>BH suggested that HCLU could host an event at which all potential suppliers could present and show what each had to offer. CS suggested that this could take place in the afternoon session following a Library Managers meeting.</p> <p>There followed a general discussion on the demand for e-books among library users, and the best way to manage loans and downloadable content. The addition of e-books to the library catalogue was deemed a critical step to increase usage and demand.</p>	

5	<p>EBSCO presentation</p> <p>Claire Honeybourne joined the meeting and gave a presentation on new and relevant EBSCO services especially those provided by the APA such as PsychArticles & PsychTests. Also highlighted certain advantages with regards to charges and access to content.</p> <p>CH demonstrated the one-search facility 'Discovery' and its capacity to search content from various database, including those in HDAS. She also gave a quick guide to e-book titles and how they can be accessed and managed.</p>	
6	<p>Copyright</p> <p>RM raised the issue of copyright and how the recent changes affect library privilege and the collection of copyright forms, especially with the uncertainty regarding electronic signatures.</p>	
7	<p>Libraries Development Fund – Bids</p> <p>The group discussed a number of proposals for bids to the Library Development Fund:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A consortium purchase of the Oxford Textbook of Old Age Psychiatry, possibly as an add-on to the existing package of Oxford handbooks currently purchased by HCLU • The funding of a temporary, short-term member of staff to support a project to benefit the group • A repeat of the previous bid for pens for each library <p>Action JC to forward costs & order details to CS for writing of new bid</p>	JC /CS
7	<p>News from each service</p> <p>Lancashire Care</p> <p>CS announced that the library had now taken on an outreach librarian, Cath Harris, who would be starting shortly.</p>	
8	<p>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</p> <p>JB read a short update from DS regarding recent developments in HCLU:</p> <p>LDF bids are due at end of July, and there is likely to a second round in Dec/Jan for larger scale bids</p> <p>A new form has been developed for libraries to complete in advance of their development visit; the new LKS strategy is due in late 2014</p>	
9	<p>DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">22nd October all day 'Partnership working'</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Large Seminar Room, William House, Rathbone Hospital,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Liverpool L13 4AW</p>	