



COLLECTIONS & METADATA GROUP
- AN UPDATE

Introduction



- In January 2019 the Collaborative Collection Management and Metadata Group merged to create the SCURL Collections and Metadata Group
 - Chaired by John MacColl at the University of St Andrews
- Priority actions
 - To contribute to relevant national discussions
 - To identify / review aggregation tools
 - To request the inclusion of public library holdings in NBK / Library Hub
 - To continue work to clarify / improve OCLC services
 - To influence the quality of metadata provided by suppliers
 - To organise a one day conference

Last Scottish Copy Policy



- An updated and revised version of the Policy was approved by the SCURL Business Committee in February 2019
- <http://scurl.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/SCURLLastScottishCopy2019.pdf>
- The document includes:
 - Rationale
 - A commitment to retain and preserve the Scottish print collection
 - Workflow guidelines
 - Standard wording for the 583 MARC field
 - Recommendations for offering and transferring general materials

Metadata Survey



- Spring 2018; responses from 18 Scottish libraries (NLS, 1 x public, 3 x FE and 14 x HE)
- General concern with the accuracy and quality of metadata
 - 17 respondents undertaking to maintain or update their catalogue data
 - Considerable scope for efficiencies through centralised delivery and dissemination of records for consortial deals
- Satisfaction highest for metadata supplied for print resources
- Low uptake of records from national agencies (BL,NLS,etc)
- SCURL libraries to be encouraged to contribute to NBK

Collaborative Stores



- Carried out a survey of SCURL Library Directors' interest in collaborative storage
- Landscape scan of international activity
 - USA
 - Scandinavia
 - France
 - The Netherlands
- Reviewed the relevant recommendations from the National Monograph Steering Group's Collaborative Monograph Storage Feasibility Study

Collaborative Collecting



- Pilot project to consider the feasibility of using COPAC data and collection management tools to undertake collaborative collection rationalisation
- University of Edinburgh (Hannah Mateer) & University of St Andrews (Helen Faulds)
- Four trials
 - Medicine using local record numbers to review a low use collection
 - Technology using local record numbers to review a low use collection
 - Romance language collection using ISBNs
 - Scottish literature using keywords

Collaborative Collecting - Findings



- Existing CCM tools were effective for contributing libraries
 - Used to identify unique content, titles for weeding, etc
- Less obvious how this could support collaborative collecting without supporting collecting plans and policies
- There was significant variation in the level of overlap according to subject area
- Significant Scottish collections not contributing to union catalogues and so comprehensive analysis not possible
- Working with SCURL to encourage more Scottish libraries to submit records to the NBK / Library Hub

Questions?

