



SCONUL



Society of College,  
National and University  
Libraries

# Annual review

# 2002

## Objectives

The objectives of SCONUL are generally to promote, maintain and advance the science and practice of librarianship and to improve the overall standards of national and higher education libraries for the benefit of the public.

## Members

SCONUL's members are drawn from the higher education institutions and the national libraries of the United Kingdom and Ireland. SCONUL is governed by its members (listed on pages 11-16) whose Representatives meet twice a year, and between meetings by an elected Executive Board.

### The Executive Board at 31 December

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| Vice-Chair         | Suzanne Enright                |
| Honorary Treasurer | Mike Day                       |
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|                    | Angela Conyers                 |
|                    | Mary Heaney                    |
|                    | Linda McCormick <i>coopted</i> |
|                    | Mary Morley                    |
|                    | Janet Peters                   |
|                    | Marie Reddan                   |
|                    | Jean Sykes                     |
|                    | John Tuck <i>coopted</i>       |
|                    | Helen Workman                  |

### The Secretariat

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## Chair's Introduction



Since 2001 the acronym SCONUL has had a new meaning: the Society of College, National and University Libraries.

The new wording, which replaces 'Standing Conference of National and University Libraries', reflects of course the more inclusive nature of our membership: at last SCONUL can rightly claim to represent almost all higher education libraries in the UK and Ireland. It is encouraging to note that new members are still joining, from among the smaller higher education colleges.

But there is another significant difference. The mildly surreal 'Standing Conference' has been replaced by the stronger word 'Society'. This helps make the point that SCONUL exists to serve its members, but it also reminds us that SCONUL succeeds in large part through the efforts of its members. One only has to read the reports here of the work of the Advisory Committees and the ad hoc Task Forces to realise how powerful is the process of pooling individual talents and skills from the membership, and using the results for the benefit of all. Examples of areas where they have made large impacts in 2002 are:

- information literacy development
- provision for disabled users
- access to one another's libraries, and access from outside higher education
- library building design
- library support for e-university developments

Equally important, though, is the value to members and higher education in general of the professionalism and dedication of the Secretariat in Euston Street. To take one obvious example, Toby Bainton's proverbial expertise in intellectual property had a decisive effect during the year, in partnership with other bodies, on legislative developments in the European Union and on UK photocopying licences.

We are aware, though, that SCONUL's influence and effectiveness could be better still. The appointment of Karen Bedwell as Communications and Marketing Officer, for a year from January 2003, signals a desire to improve communication with member libraries and their staff, and to extend our influence with external bodies relevant to higher education libraries.

One of the tests of this resolve during 2003 will be the way in which SCONUL is able to respond to the recommendations of the Research Support Libraries Group ('Follett II'), and influence their outcomes. Since the Group's remit embraced all UK higher education as well as national libraries, there can be no excuses for an organisation with College, National and University in its new acronym.

Andrew M.W. Green

## Secretary's review of the year 2002



### Major events

In February SCONUL organised, in collaboration with the M25 Consortium of Higher Education Libraries, the first meeting of all the local consortia of UK and Irish academic libraries. This meeting is expected to influence the thinking of the UK higher education funding councils' Research Support Libraries Group, whose report is expected in 2003. It had a more immediate effect as the origin of the 'SCONUL Research Extra' scheme (see 'major schemes' below). And in November the announcement of the SCONUL Library Design Awards (for 1996 to 2000) was made at our regular autumn conference in London. These prestigious awards, made on the basis of good functional design as well as aesthetic considerations, were given to Coventry University, Dublin City University, the University of Hertfordshire and Sheffield Hallam University.

### Communications and marketing

Following the major change last year to our constituency of members, this year saw a fundamental change in our approach to presenting our work. A questionnaire circulated in the spring revealed that much of our work is unknown to many staff in our member institutions. The task force handling the questionnaire recommended that we should promote our activities amongst all staff of our member institutions; that we should make our publications available on-line; that we should arrange more workshop-style meetings and produce more policy statements; and that we should redesign our website. Partly to implement these recommendations, and partly to give SCONUL a better impact in the wider world, the annual general meeting agreed to devote £20,000 in 2003 to buy in communications and marketing skills. On the strength of this SCONUL appointed a new member of staff later in the year: Karen Bedwell will be working for SCONUL for two days a week in 2003 as Communications and Marketing Officer. Karen will be seconded from her employer, the library of the London School of Economics and Political Science. By the end of 2002, through informal assistance, she had already provided significant advice to improve SCONUL's self-presentation. The Advisory Committee on SCONUL Publishing, renamed and re-tasked as the Advisory Committee on Communications and Marketing, is to coordinate the new work once the communications and marketing has been put in place. That will be undertaken by a short-life task-force over 2003.

### Helping library users

Cooperative schemes for the benefit of library users have always figured in SCONUL's work. Last year we reported new work with public libraries to facilitate the referral of their users, when appropriate, to academic libraries. The work continued this year, and the scheme, named INSPIRE, is expected to be launched as a pilot in 2003. Entirely new is SCONUL Research Extra, still in the planning stage, and promising to provide a reciprocal borrowing arrangement between UK higher education libraries for the benefit of their researchers. The Research Support Libraries Programme awarded SCONUL a grant to develop this scheme. The importance of SCONUL's ongoing promotion of information literacy was recognised when the Executive Board reconstituted the task force on information skills as a standing Advisory Committee on Information Literacy.

## **Collaboration with others**

Much of our work depends on successful cooperation with other associations and agencies. New developments this year included our involvement with the informal group UK Libraries Plus, which arranges reciprocal library borrowing between institutions for their distance learning and part time students. SCONUL is keen to support this scheme and its proposed extension, UK Computing Plus', for similar reciprocal access to (limited) computing facilities. We contribute to the scheme through membership of relevant working groups, which include a representative from UCISA. Our INSPIRE scheme, mentioned first in the previous paragraph, involves substantial collaboration with the British Library and the Society of Chief Librarians [of public librarians]. Also this year we were glad to take part in a joint meeting of officers of SCONUL and CILIP (the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals, the successor body to the Institute of Information Scientists and the Library Association), and agreed some joint actions and areas for future collaboration.

In support of SPARC Europe, which we helped to found last year, we lent our London office for meetings of its steering group and gave advice on administrative and legal matters. This new European body aims to make the results of European research more widely available by fostering new publication techniques. Towards the end of 2002 we achieved a significant collaboration with SPARC Europe's North American parent, the Association of Research Libraries. By December planning was well advanced towards a pilot implementation amongst SCONUL members of ARL's software for measuring the satisfaction of the users of academic libraries.

## **Lobbying and advising**

SCONUL plays an important role in current policy issues and influencing the outcome of debate. A major example in 2002 was the European Commission's Directive on Public Sector Information, whose implications we drew to the attention of UK government agencies and Universities UK, whose submission we co-drafted. The Commission soon modified the text of the Directive in favour of educational and cultural institutions. We continue to work with publishers' groups towards a more helpful VAT regime for electronic publications. No happy result was achieved during the year but firm tactical plans have been developed. More dramatic was the result of the reference to the Copyright Tribunal in the matter of higher education photocopying licence. Universities UK initiated the reference in 2001 with sustained support from SCONUL. The Tribunal's decision was welcomed by all in higher education and we are delighted that played a significant part in the process. At the time of writing we do not know the result of another significant adjudication, that of the UK's Competition Commission in the case of the VNU Entertainment Ltd and Book Data Ltd. SCONUL's written submission led to a hearing at which SCONUL and CURL members gave evidence in person in December. Other significant examples of our evidence being heard or our advice sought are: the policy document *Inspiring learning: a framework for access learning in museums, archives and libraries* (where our advice was sought by Resource), and the UK higher education funding councils' review of infrastructure needs for teaching and learning (where our advice helped towards the report by JM consulting Ltd, published during the summer). SCONUL is also part of a broad consultative group of higher education organisations, led by JISC, drawing up advice for institutions in the compilation of the 'publication schemes' soon to be required under the UK's Freedom of Information Act.

### **SCONUL's internal affairs**

After a tendering process, the contract for hosting SCONUL's website from 2003 was awarded to the University of Bristol's Institute for Learning and Research Technology. Our secretarial assistant since 1995, SitMui Ng, was made a permanent member of staff. Towards the end of the year, when she began maternity leave, she was temporarily replaced by David Smith, who joined us from Goldsmith's College Library.

### **The work of our groups**

To avoid duplication, the work done by our Advisory Committees and Task Forces is referred to only in their respective annual reports. But this report would be incomplete without drawing attention to the reports of our various groups. Their activity and achievements – based entirely on voluntary effort – are remarkable.

*Toby Bainton*

## Reports of Advisory Committees and Working Group

### Buildings

The SCONUL Library Design Award was the focus for much of the Committee's work in 2002. The latest Award covered buildings which were opened between 1996 and 2000. This was a period of major building activity with a record number of nominations to consider. We appreciated the friendly and open way in which we were received by colleagues during visits to nominated buildings. Four awards were made: details were published in the [press release](#) dated 25 November 2002.

A highly successful study visit was made to the University of Abertay in June 2002 and Committee members continued to act as a source of advice on buildings issues. We also kept the SCONUL [library buildings database](#) up to date as an invaluable ready source of information for members and others, and the group dealt with a number of enquiries from the SCONUL membership. Howard Nicholson provided a buildings perspective to the work of the SCONUL Task Force on Disability Issues.

*Graham Bulpitt*

### Health Services

The Committee has been involved in the work of the HE/NHS Forum and its Content Group. The Forum is working towards effective inter-operability between Janet and NHSnet and a suite of technical solutions has been published. The Content Group commissioned a consultant to undertake a scoping study of the issues which complicate access to knowledge resources.

The Committee submitted a joint response (with UMSLG and UHSL) to the Department of Health consultative document *Funding Learning and Development of the Healthcare Workforce*.

Work to review information skills training as related to healthcare students and professionals began. The School of Health and Related Research (University of Sheffield) drafted a proposal to undertake a scoping study in this area for the Committee. This will be taken forward in the light of the SCONUL Task Force Report in 2003.

The Committee prepared a questionnaire to survey NHS funding of HE library services (amongst SCONUL members) to be circulated in 2003.

Regular reports were received from health groups and UK home countries, with issues discussed and shared.

The NHS Libraries Adviser continues to attend meetings, providing a valuable insight into current initiatives and policies within the NHS, and absorbing the perspectives for higher education of these issues.

A presentation on the NHS University from a member of the NHSU Project Team was made at the March meeting. The Committee subsequently provided a briefing on library issues for the NHSU.

*Nicky Whitsed  
& John Van Loo*

## **Access to Information Systems and Services**

The work of the committee concentrated on the implications of legislation for the access agenda. Committee members developed briefing papers for the wider SCONUL community, covering the impact of the Human Rights Act, the Data Protection Act and the Freedom of Information Act. Committee members also shared experience in developing institutional responses to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act

A second major priority for the committee was to provide guidance to SCONUL members on access to users with disabilities. To this end, the Task Force on Access for Users with Disabilities was established to identify issues and good practice and to recommend further action. The final report became available before the end of 2002. Committee members kept a watching brief on a wide range of access developments, including UK Computing Plus, UK Libraries Plus and SCONUL Research Extra. With respect to teaching and learning the role of the committee will be to concentrate principally on learning technologies, such as VLE and MLE.

*Edward Oyston*

## **Performance Improvement**

The Committee made good progress on its action plan. The revised questionnaire for the *SCONUL Statistical Return* and the new format for the *SCONUL Annual Library Statistics 2000-01* both met with overwhelming approval from SCONUL members. Development of a web version of the SCONUL statistics continued promisingly.

Following discussions with the (north American) Association of Research Libraries, a UK pilot of their LibQUAL+ survey methodology was organised for the first half of 2003. It was agreed that the Joint Working Group on Quality Assurance would progress the preparation of templates and examples of best practice for the external evaluation of library and information services. A series of workshops to establish performance measures for information skills were held. In December, a joint SCONUL/LIRG (Library Information and Research Group) residential workshop was held on the topic *Do libraries aid learning?*

Geoffrey Ford retired as chair of the Committee and was thanked for his major contribution to this area of SCONUL's activities. Maxine Melling took over as chair, with Chris West becoming secretary.

*Chris West*

## **Scholarly Communication**

An important UK report published in 2002 was the Office of Fair Trading statement on the workings of the journals market. In collaboration with CURL, the committee drafted a response which was sent from SCONUL to the OFT. The response welcomed the OFT's analysis of the journals market, but regretted its unwillingness to act to remedy

the weaknesses it acknowledged in workings of that market. The OFT left open the possibility of further consideration of the journals market if monopolistic tendencies continued to grow, and the committee began collecting evidence on price rises related to market share. This information is not easy to find through the regular channels by which library statistics are collected, but it is a necessary exercise if government departments are to be made aware of the situation facing academic libraries. The committee's secretary sent six issues of an electronic 'Digest of scholarly communication news', reflecting many of the topics discussed during the year. A review of parallel activities in SCONUL and CURL led to greater liaison between the two, with two members of CURL's task force on scholarly communication joining SCONUL's committee.

## **Staffing**

Three publications appeared this year. *Organising a staff development event* is organised as a series of checklists to enable flexible use and relieve strain often experienced by the organisers of events, however short. *Library staffing structures* provides updated organisational charts from some 26 institutions. *Staff development policies* offers models and examples of good practice from a similar number of member institutions. Early feedback on the value of these publications has been very positive and encouraging. Further information for members created this year include a web page giving useful links to training consortia throughout the country. Following a check on the role of the deputies mailing list, management of this has been taken over by the SCONUL office, with the Committee's thanks for their support.

Training Together 7 (TT7) took place. It attracted 48 participants and generated a useful surplus. Feedback on the event has been very positive, and a further event (TT8) is scheduled for 2004. Another successful Annual Gathering of Deputies was held. This event continues to be assessed, with the aim of achieving maximum support possible for deputies in all SCONUL libraries, and proposals were under consideration at the end of the year of modifications to enable this. The three established management courses remain on our ongoing programme. The introductory course remains very popular. Recruitment to the middle management course was lower than expected. Analysis of the reasons indicates that factors beyond the Committee's control account in the main for this. No concerns were identified about the quality of the course. The strategic management course requires major review, and this work has been initiated in the course of the year, with a view to running a revised course, timed to achieve maximum value for the participants and SCONUL.

The SCONUL Award for 2001 was won by Lindsay Martin, Edge Hill College, for planning and setting up the electronic office. In planning for the next award, its timing has been revised.

Representation continued on the Hybrid Information Management Skills for Senior Staff project until its completion. Philippa Dolphin's report on the scope for consortial training was received with appreciation, and will be further developed by the Committee. Committee members were also invited to contribute to the new SCONUL guidelines on access for disabled users.

*Margaret Coutts*

## **Joint Working Group on Quality Assurance**

Activities in 2002 concentrated on Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) developments.

We formally responded to the QAA consultation on the Draft Handbook for Institutional Audit, England: 2002-2005 Transitional Arrangements (QAA CL08/02). Close liaison between the Group and the QAA continued, with particular reference to the new process of Institutional Audit. Jeremy Atkinson and the QAA contact kept a watching brief on developments, and will meet again around Easter 2003 to review the implications for learning resources and services arising from early examples of Institutional Audit in practice. The Group also monitored quality developments in Scotland and Wales. In the meantime, the Group's *Aide memoire for reviewers evaluating learning resources* continues to be used in training QAA subject reviewers to carry out developmental engagements in higher education institutions in the transitional period prior to the full implementation of Institutional Audit in England. The *Aide memoire* has also been issued as a SCONUL publication.

Work began to identify and make available to the SCONUL membership best practice examples of institutional and subject self evaluation documents. To the Group's pages on the SCONUL website now include the current *Aide memoire*, the guide to good practice for learning resources for teacher education, and links to a variety of organisations concerned with quality in higher education, as well as agendas and minutes of Group meetings

*Jeremy Atkinson*

## **Obituary**

Betty Moys, Librarian of Goldsmiths College, 1968-89, died on 1 February 2002.

Barry Bloomfield, Director, Collection Development and Social Sciences, 1985-90, Director, India Office Library and Records, 1978-85, at the British Library, and Librarian of the School of Oriental and African studies, University of London, 1972-78, died on 26 February 2002.

Ian Mowat, Librarian of the University of Edinburgh, 1997-2002, Librarian and Keeper of the Pybus Collection, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, 1991-97, and Librarian of the University of Hull, 1986-91, died on 6 September 2002.

## **Retirements**

The following Representatives retired during the year:

Geoffrey Ford (University of Bristol)

Michael Hannon (University of Sheffield)

Chris Hunt (University of Manchester)

Ray Lester (Natural History Museum)

Ian McGowan (National Library of Scotland)

Bob Oldroyd (University of Nottingham)

Nik Pollard (Kingston University)

Kenyon Roberts (Cardiff University)

## **New member institutions (joined in 2002)**

| <b>Institution</b>                                       | <b>Representative</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| Cumbria Institute of the Arts                            | Claire Daniels        |
| University of Highlands and Islands Millennium Institute | Alun Hughes           |
| North East Wales Institute                               | Paul Jeorrett         |
| Royal Agricultural College                               | Sarah Howie           |
| Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama                | Gordon Hunt           |
| Royal Veterinary College                                 | Simon Jackson         |
| School of Pharmacy, University of London                 | Linda Lisgarten       |
| Trinity College Carmarthen                               | Elinor Le Bourdon     |

## **Member institutions 2002**

| <b>Institution</b>            | <b>Representative</b> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| University of Aberdeen        | Carole Munro          |
| University of Abertay, Dundee | Ivor Lloyd            |
| Anglia Polytechnic University | Nicky Kershaw         |
| Arts Institute at Bournemouth | Julia Waite           |
| Aston University              | Nick Smith            |
| University of Bath            | Howard Nicholson      |
| Bath Spa University College   | Julie Parry           |
| Birkbeck College, London      | Philippa Dolphin      |
| University of Birmingham      | Michele Shoebridge    |
| Bishop Grosseteste College    | Chris Child           |
| Bolton Institute              | Karen Senior          |
| Bournemouth University        | David Ball            |
| University of Bradford        | John Horton           |
| University of Brighton        | Martyn Hayden         |
| University of Bristol         | Cathryn Gallacher     |
| BFI National Library          | Ray Templeton         |

| <b>Institution</b>                           | <b>Representative</b>                           |
|--|---|
| The British Library                          | Lynne Brindley<br>Natalie Ceeney<br>Clive Field |
| Brunel University                            | Nick Bevan                                      |
| University of Buckingham                     | Joan Holah                                      |
| Buckinghamshire Chilterns University College | Irene Sims                                      |
| University of Cambridge                      | Peter Fox                                       |
| Canterbury Christ Church University College  | Angela Conyers                                  |
| University of Central England in Birmingham  | Judith Andrews                                  |
| University of Central Lancashire             | Kevin Ellard                                    |
| The Central School of Speech and Drama       | Peter Collett                                   |
| Chester College                              | Christine Stockton                              |
| University College Chichester                | Terry Hanson                                    |
| City University                              | Brendan Casey                                   |
| University College, Cork                     | John FitzGerald                                 |
| Coventry University                          | Pat Noon  |
| Cranfield University                         | Hazel Woodward                                  |
| De Montfort University                       | Kathryn Arnold                                  |
| University of Derby                          | Gordon Brewer                                   |
| Dublin City University                       | Paul Sheehan                                    |
| University College Dublin                    | Sean Phillips                                   |
| University of Dundee                         | John Bagnall                                    |
| University of Durham                         | John Hall                                       |
| University of East Anglia                    | Jean Steward                                    |
| University of East London                    | Mary Davies                                     |
| Edge Hill                                    | Sue Roberts                                     |
| University of Edinburgh                      | Sheila Cannell                                  |
| University of Essex                          | Robert Butler                                   |
| University of Exeter                         | Alasdair Paterson                               |

| <b>Institution</b>                           | <b>Representative</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| Falmouth College of Arts                     | Anne George           |
| National University of Ireland, Galway       | Marie Reddan          |
| University of Glamorgan                      | Jeremy Atkinson       |
| Glasgow University                           | Christine Bailey      |
| Glasgow Caledonian University                | Les Watson            |
| University of Gloucestershire                | Ann Mathie            |
| Goldsmiths College                           | Joan Pateman          |
| University of Greenwich                      | Denis Heathcote       |
| Heriot-Watt University                       | Michael Breaks        |
| University of Hertfordshire                  | Di Martin             |
| University of Huddersfield                   | Phil Sykes            |
| University of Hull                           | Bridget Towler        |
| Imperial College, London                     | Clare Jenkins         |
| Institute of Education, University of London | Stephen Pickles       |
| University of Keele                          | Allan Foster          |
| University of Kent at Canterbury             | Margaret Coutts       |
| Kent Institute of Art & Design               | Vanessa Crane         |
| King's College, London                       | Anne Bell             |
| King Alfred's College                        | David Farley          |
| Kingston University                          | Sue Robertson         |
| University of Lancaster                      | Jacqueline Whiteside  |
| University of Leeds                          | Jan Wilkinson         |
| Leeds Metropolitan University                | Philip Payne          |
| University of Leicester                      | Christine Fyfe        |
| University of Limerick                       | John Lancaster        |
| University of Lincoln                        | Philippa Dyson        |
| Liverpool John Moores University             | Maxine Melling        |
| University of Liverpool                      | Frances Thomson       |

| <b>Institution</b>                       | <b>Representative</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| London Business School                   | Helen Edwards         |
| The London Institute                     | Mary Auckland         |
| London Metropolitan University           | Maureen Castens       |
| London School of Economics               | Jean Sykes            |
| University of London Library             | Emma Robinson         |
| University College London                | Paul Ayris            |
| Loughborough University                  | Mary Morley           |
| University of Luton                      | Tim Stone             |
| Manchester Metropolitan University       | Colin Harris          |
| University of Manchester                 | Bill Simpson          |
| National University of Ireland, Maynooth | Agnes Neligan         |
| Middlesex University                     | William Marsterson    |
| Napier University                        | Chris Pinder          |
| National Art Library                     | Douglas Dodds         |
| National Library of Ireland              | Brendan O'Donoghue    |
| National Library of Scotland             | Martyn Wade           |
| National Library of Wales                | Andrew Green          |
| Natural History Museum                   | Graham Higley         |
| University of Newcastle upon Tyne        | Tom Graham            |
| Newman College                           | Janice Bell           |
| University College Northampton           | Hilary Johnson        |
| Northern School of Contemporary Dance    | Samantha King         |
| University of Northumbria at Newcastle   | Jane Core             |
| University of Nottingham                 | Stephen Pinfield      |
| Nottingham Trent University              | Liz Lines             |
| Open University                          | Nicky Whitsed         |
| Oxford Brookes University                | Helen Workman         |
| University of Oxford                     | Reg Carr              |

| <b>Institution</b>                             | <b>Representative</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| University of Paisley                          | Stuart James          |
| University of Plymouth                         | Bob Sharpe            |
| University of Portsmouth                       | Ian Bonar             |
| Queen Margaret University College              | Penny Aitken          |
| Queen Mary, University of London               | Brian Murphy          |
| Queen's University, Belfast                    | Norman Russell        |
| University of Reading                          | Julia Munro           |
| Robert Gordon University                       | Elaine Dunphy         |
| Rose Bruford College                           | John Collis           |
| Royal College of Art                           | Peter Hassell         |
| Royal College of Nursing                       | Jackie Lord           |
| Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland           | Beatrice Doran        |
| Royal Holloway (University of London)          | Sarah Gerrard         |
| University of St Andrews                       | Neil Dumbleton        |
| St George's Hospital Medical School            | Susan Gove            |
| College of St Mark and St John                 | Frank Clements        |
| St Martin's College                            | David Brown           |
| St Mary's College                              | Máire Lanigan         |
| University of Salford                          | Margaret Duncan       |
| School of Advanced Study, University of London | Jules Winterton       |
| School of Oriental and African Studies         | Keith Webster         |
| Science Museum Library                         | Pauline Dingley       |
| University of Sheffield                        | Martin Lewis          |
| Sheffield Hallam University                    | Graham Bulpitt        |
| South Bank University                          | John Akeroyd          |
| Southampton Institute                          |                       |
| University of Southampton                      | Mark Brown            |
| Staffordshire University                       | Liz Hart              |

| <b>Institution</b>                             | <b>Representative</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| University of Stirling                         | Peter Kemp            |
| University of Strathclyde                      | Keith Davis           |
| University of Sunderland                       | Andrew McDonald       |
| University of Surrey                           | Tom Crawshaw          |
| Surrey Institute of Art & Design               | Marion Wilks          |
| University of Surrey Roehampton                | Sue Clegg             |
| University of Sussex                           | Deborah Shorley       |
| Swansea Institute of Higher Education          | Tony Lamb             |
| University of Teesside                         | Ian Butchart          |
| Thames Valley University                       | John Wolstenholme     |
| Trinity and All Saints College                 | Edward Brush          |
| Trinity College, Dublin                        | Robin Adams           |
| University of Ulster                           | Nigel Macartney       |
| UMIST  | Mike Day              |
| University of Wales, Aberystwyth               | Mike Hopkins          |
| University of Wales, Bangor                    | Nigel Soane           |
| University of Wales Cardiff University         | Philip Martin         |
| University of Wales, Lampeter                  | Miriam Perrett        |
| University of Wales, College of Medicine       | Steve Pritchard       |
| University of Wales, Swansea                   | Christopher West      |
| University of Wales College, Newport           | Janet Peters          |
| University of Wales Institute, Cardiff         | Paul Riley            |
| University of Warwick                          | John Henshall         |
| Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine | David Pearson         |
| University of Westminster                      | Suzanne Enright       |
| University of the West of England, Bristol     | Catherine Carpmael    |
| University of Wolverhampton                    | Mary Heaney           |
| University College Worcester                   | Anne Hannaford        |

**Institution**

University of York

York St John College

**Representative**

Elizabeth Heaps

Tony Chalcraft

## Membership of Advisory Committees and Working Groups as at 31 December

- ◆ Chair/Convenor
- Secretary

### ADVISORY COMMITTEES

#### Access to Information Systems and Services

- ◆ Nick Smith 2000- Adam Edwards
- Edward Oyston (Sheffield Hallam) Elizabeth Heaps
- Mark Brown 2000- Roger Hewitt (Manchester) 2002-  
[Chair's nominee: Chris Bailey]
- Patricia Chapman (British Library) 2002- SCONUL Assistant Secretary
- Sara Marsh (Swansea) 2002-
- Karen Senior 2001-

#### Buildings

- ◆ Andrew McDonald 1996- Di Martin 2001-
- Graham Bulpitt 1996- Howard Nicholson 1998-  
[Chair's nominee: Marie Reddan]
- Philippa Dyson 1997- SCONUL Assistant Secretary
- Suzanne Enright
- Colin Harris 1996-

#### Communications and Marketing (previously SCONUL Publishing)

- ◆ Alasdair Paterson 1997- Antony Brewerton
- Brendan Casey 2000- [Chair's nominee: Suzanne Enright]
- Ian Tilsed (Exeter) 2000- SCONUL Assistant Secretary
- Jane Gosling (Plymouth)

#### Health Services

- ◆ Nicky Whitsed 2000- Steve Pritchard 2000-
- John Van Loo (Sheffield) 2001- Liz Fairclough [UHSLG]
- Sheila Cannell (Edinburgh) 2001- Linda Dorrington [UMSLG Chair]
- Beatrice Doran 1999- Richard Wakeford (British Library)
- Helen MacFarlane (Northumbria) 2000- [Chair's nominee: Mary Heaney]
- SCONUL Assistant Secretary

#### Information Literacy

- ◆ Hilary Johnson 1999- Jo Parker (Open)
- Deborah Bragan-Turner (Nottingham) 1999- Janet Peters 1999 -
- Helen Hathaway (Reading) 1999- Stephen Town (Cranfield)
- Margaret Oldroyd (De Montfort) 1999- [Chair's Nominee: Helen Workman]

## Performance Improvement

- ◆ Maxine Melling 2002-
- Chris West 2002-  
Susan Copeland (Robert Gordon) 2002-  
Andrew Martin (UC Northampton) 2002-  
Philip Payne 2002-  
Stephen Town (Cranfield)

Jacqueline Whiteside  
Clare Creaser (LISU)  
Martin Price (UCISA)  
[Chair's nominee: Angela Conyers]  
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## Editorial Team

- ◆ Antony Brewerton (Oxford Brookes) 1998-  
John FitzGerald 2000-  
Robin Green (Warwick) 2002-  
Diane Lindsay (Strathclyde) 1997-

Lis Parcell (Swansea) 2001-  
Jon Purcell (Newcastle) 2001-  
David Perrow (Templeton College, Oxford) 2000-  
SCONUL Assistant Secretary

## Scholarly Communication

- ◆ Tom Graham 2000-
- Frederick Friend 2000-  
Paul Ayris 2001-  
Michael Breaks 1994-  
Judith Palmer (Oxford) 2002-  
Stephen Pinfield (Nottingham) 2002-  
Geoff Smith (British Library) 2002-  
Paul Sheehan 2000-

Helen Workman (and as Chair's nominee) 2000-  
Hazel Woodward  
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## Staffing

- ◆ Margaret Coutts 2002-
- Julia Munro 2002-  
Nick Bevan 2000-  
Christine Fyfe (Warwick) 2002-  
Peter Guildford (HESDA) 2002-  
Anne Murray (Cambridge) 2000-

Margaret Oldroyd (De Montfort)  
Julie Parry  
[Chair's nominee: Mike Day]  
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### Quality Assurance

- ◆ Jeremy Atkinson 1999-  
Michael Breaks 2000-  
Biddy Fisher (Sheffield Hallam) 2002-  
Julie Howell (London Metropolitan)  
Ann Mathie 2000-

Howard Nicholson  
Keith Webster  
Scott Robertson  
Alison Allden (UCISA)

### Joint Working Group on Statistics

- ◆ Philip Payne  
Toby Bainton

Angela Conyers  
Claire Creaser (LISU)

Martin Price (UCISA)

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### ACAISS Task Force on Disability Issues

- ◆ Mark Brown
- Joan Chapman (CLAUD)
- Carolyn Date (Bournemouth Libraries)
- Joanne Knight (British Library)
- Howard Nicholson
- Julie Parry

### Task Force on Access Referral

- ◆ Mary Heaney
- Anne Bell
- Andrew Green (Society of Chief Librarians)
- Elizabeth Heaps
- Linda Houston (Northern Ireland)
- Patricia Chapman (British Library)
- Dorothy Miller (Fife Libraries)
- Alasdair MacNaughton (Plymouth City)
- Peter Oldroyd (Leicestershire County Library)
- Janet Peters (WHELP)
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### e-University Task Force

- ◆ Jean Sykes
- Elizabeth Heaps
- Phil Sykes
- David Sweeney
- SCONUL Secretary

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|-------|---|
| CURL  | Consortium of University Research Libraries                       |
| IFLA  | International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions |
| LISU  | Library and Information Statistics Unit                           |
| NPO   | National Preservation Office                                      |
| UCISA | Universities and Colleges Information Systems Association         |
| UHLSG | University Health Science Librarians' Group                       |
| WHELP | Welsh Higher Education Libraries Forum                            |

## **SCONUL Representatives serving on other bodies** at 31 December

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| Advisory Council on the Export of Works of Art   | Reg Carr                                  |
| Association of Art Historians: Artists' Papers Register Sub-Committee  | John Hall                                 |
| British Academic Committee for Cooperation with Russian Archives (BACCRA)  | Christine Thomas<br>(British Library)     |
| British Committee for Map Information and Catalogue Systems (BRICMICS)   | Anne Taylor                               |
| British Library Advisory Council   | [in abeyance]                             |
| British Library Consultative Group on Newspapers   | [dissolved]                               |
| British Standards Institution: Committee IDT/2/1   | Paul McLaughlin<br>(University of London) |
| British Standards Institution: Committee IDT/2/15  | Maxine Melling                            |
| British Standards Institution: IDT/2 Sub-Committee for Records Management  | Anne Barrett<br>(Imperial College)        |
| Chartered Institute for Public Finance and Accounting Committee on Public Library Statistics   | Keith Webster                             |
| Coordinating Council of Area Studies Associations  | [dissolved]                               |
| Department of Trade and Industry: Database Market Strategy Group   | SCONUL Secretary                          |
| European Bureau of Library, Information and Documentation Associations   | SCONUL Secretary                          |
| International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA): British National Committee and Committee of the Section on University Libraries and Other General Research Libraries | SCONUL Secretary                          |
| JANET (Joint Academic Network) User Group for Libraries  | Alasdair Paterson                         |
| JIBS User Group  | Liz Stevenson<br>(Edinburgh)              |
| Libraries and Archives Copyright Alliance  | Denis Heathcote                           |
| Libraries and Archives Regional Council  | Anne Bell                                 |
| Library Association: International Sub-Committee   | Graham Bulpitt                            |
| Library and Information Cooperation Council (LINC)   | [dissolved]                               |
| Library and Information Research Group   | Maxine Melling                            |

LINC Health Panel (renamed Helicon)

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UCISA Executive Board

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UCISA-TLIG

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Committee

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## Secretary's liaison and lobbying activity 2002

The Secretary contributed to the discussions of the following (one-off consultation meetings marked\*):

Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers \*seminar: Publishers and libraries working together

British Council - \*Conference on electronic materials, Morocco (speaker) - \*liaison with Information Director

British Library: working group on library implementation of Copyright Directive

Competition Commission - \*hearing on merger between VNU Entertainment Ltd and Book Data Ltd

Copyright Directorate (Patent Office) Implementation of Copyright Directive consultation

EBLIDA Copyright Group

Education Copyright Users' Forum

\*EduServ consultation on licensing of content

\*European Commission: meeting with Brussels consultants reviewing the Database Directive

European Fair Practice in Copyright Campaign

'Frankfurt' Group of libraries, publishers, collecting societies

IFLA annual conference

\*Ingenta – CPI seminar on Resource's Wider Issues in Libraries and Information Project (speaker)

IWI (Wetenschappelijke Informatievoorziening) \*International conference on copyright and universities

JISC - CEDARS conference

- EASY (electronic article supply) project group
- Freedom of Information Act (Publications Scheme Group)
- Journals Working Group
- PELICAN Project Advisory Board (Chair)

LIBER Executive Board (General Secretary)

Libraries and Archives Copyright Alliance

Loughborough University: Advisory Committee for LISU (Library & Information Statistics Unit)

Manchester Computing: MIMAS steering group

National Preservation Office - Preservation Administrators' Panel

Resource - \*Collection management and Development Group  
- \*Inspiring Learning consultation meeting  
- Library collections designation group

\*Scottish Confederation of University and Research Libraries

\*South East England Development Agency

\*South East University Librarians' group (speaker)

UCISA Management conference

UK eUniversities Worldwide

UK Computing Plus Working Group

UK Libraries Plus Steering group

Universities UK - Copyright Licensing Agency negotiating group  
- Information Systems Committee

WATCH (Writers and Artists and Their Copyright Holders) project advisory group

\* Welsh Higher Education Librarians' Forum

## SCONUL view conveyed to other bodies

| <i>Date</i>          | <i>Addressee</i>           | <i>Subject</i>   |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 27 March             | HEFCE                      | National HEFCE/LSC Partnerships for Progression Team, in response to Consultation 01/73: Partnerships for progression                |
| 8 July               | JISC                       | On the draft <i>Towards a continuing access and digital preservation strategy for the JISC</i>                                       |
| 17 September         | Andrew Jordan and Jon Duke | A response to the consultants engaged by JISC in a review of CETIS, the Centre for Educational Technology Interoperability Standards |
| 9, 18 and 29 October | Patent Office              | UK implementation of the Copyright Directive   |
| 11 November          | Office of Fair Trading     | The market for scientific, technical and medical journals  |
| 14 November          | HEFCE                      | SUNCAT: provision of a serials union catalogue service for the UK higher education and research community                            |
| 14 November          | Competition Commission     | VNU Entertainment Media acquisition of Book Data Ltd   |
| 18 October           | Patent Office              | UK implementation of the Copyright Directive   |
| 28 November          | Competition Commission     | VNU/Book Data merger inquiry   |

5 December      Competition Commission

VNU/Book Data merger inquiry

19 December    British Academy

British Academy Review: The impact of the arts and social sciences on society and the economy

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## List of abbreviations

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| AHUA    | Association of Heads of University Administration                                 |
| ARL     | Association of Research Libraries (USA/Canada)                                    |
| CURL    | Consortium of University Research Libraries                                       |
| EBLIDA  | European Bureau of Library, Information and Documentation Association             |
| HCLRG   | HEFC Colleges Learning Resources Group  |
| HEFCE   | Higher Education Funding Council for England                                      |
| HEFCW   | Higher Education Funding Council for Wales  |
| HELICON | Health Libraries and Information Confederation                                    |
| IFLA    | International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions                 |
| JISC    | Joint Information Systems Committee (of the UK higher education funding councils) |
| LIBER   | Ligue des Bibliothèques Européennes de Recherche                                  |
| LISU    | Library and Information Statistics Unit (Loughborough University)                 |
| NPO     | National Preservation Office  |
| QAA     | Quality Assurance Agency  |
| SHEFC   | Scottish Higher Education Funding Council   |
| SPARC   | Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition                             |
| UCISA   | Universities and Colleges Information Systems Association                         |
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