Anne Gray gave two very interesting presentations on the Quality: MK project prior to the main meeting. Her presentations stimulated much discussion and the group gave a vote of thanks to Anne. Copies of Anne’s presentations and the project summary sheet are attached to the minutes. Sue Lacey Bryant has forwarded some additional information about the project, including links to the journal club toolkit, and these are also attached.

Present: Hilary Johnson (Uni of Bedfordshire), Jennie Kelson (Buck Hospitals), Sue Lacey-Bryant, Sarah Maddock (OBMH & Chair), Gina Nicholls (Bucks Library Information Service), Sue Whiteley (Milton Keynes).

1. Apologies

Helen Bingham (SC SHA), Mike King (Bucks New University), Sarah Old (OBMH), Averil Robertson (University of Bedfordshire)

2. Minutes of last meeting

All items for action had been completed.

3. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

SLB suggested keeping copies of meeting files on Google docs.
Action: SM to investigate whether this would be a suitable option

4. National Update

SLB reported that Ian McKinnol and Muir Gray have been seconded to support the national review of NHS Evidence resources, including NICE, NLH etc

5. Marketing and Promotion

Group discussed calendar of NLH Knowledge Weeks and ways that we could work together on promotion.
GN felt that the topics were too specialised for use by the public libraries, who were concentrating this year on the “national year of reading” and HJ commented that the uni students would not notice the displays unless they related to their current area of study. Group agreed that it was best to pursue individual approaches for the time being. Group discussed promotional materials that would be useful.
Action SM to contact NLH regarding the possibility of posters for specific specialist libraries

6. Reports from Members

Hilary: Does not know whether there has been any decision about renewal of contract for pre-reg nurse education.
Plans to merge Wycombe and Aylesbury collections and relocate them to new premises in central Aylesbury.
Circulated proposed plan of new library.
Information literacy has been identified as essential component for all uni courses.
Uni has seen success in module format of course presentation.

**Gina:** New flagship library at High Wycombe has recently opened. New developments include self-service desks and use of RFID. Library at High Wycombe also open on Sundays. Gina has recently updated the Health care sections and has included copies of many of the key nursing texts. No success with her suggestion to link priority public health areas (identified by SLB) to National Year of Reading events.

**Sue W:** Abandoned Heritage Online owing to move to regional library management system. All staff had completed training in new library management system. Staff currently involved in re-barcoding, re-classification and cataloguing. Sue is now budget manager according to Finance Dept. Currently doing weeding of stock which Sue hopes to complete by the end of June. Library service awarded Stage 2 accreditation following recent assessment. Sue is retiring at end of June. Her successor, Vanessa Burgess from Bedford College, starts in early July.

**Jennie:** Library service awarded Stage 2 accreditation following assessment in January. Lesley Martyn has been appointed 3 days per week until Dec 2008 to part cover Claire’s maternity leave. Amersham Library now open 3 days per week (Tues, Wed & Thurs) Staff will be trained in SWIMS serials module in late July.

**Sue LB:** Working 2-3 days per week on MK project. Working 1 day per week for NHS London. Current project is surveying ways in which library services are supporting initiatives suggested by Lord Darzi.

**Sarah:** Working on regional library management system (all Thames Valley libraries will be transferring to OLIB/SWIMS system used by South West and Hampshire libraries). Staff from all libraries have now received training in cataloguing on new system. Project seems to be going well. Union holdings for books and journals will disappear from HLN site in Sept as they are also moving to a new system. Journal holdings are being added to SWIMS system by person at Winchester.

Libraries at Warneford and Manor House will be moved although the new premises have not yet been decided.

New library assistant, Sheila Jordan, started in April.

**Action:** Jennie to check whether journal holdings for SE libraries have been added to SWIMS and then let Sarah know.

7. **AOB**

Jennie reported on recent emails received from Clare Lavis (MLA South East) and Helen Bingham regarding Inspire networks. Key points:

Clare meeting on 23 June with consultant working on Inspire.

Helen’s comments: suggested that NHS Choices may renew interest in joint health information partnership initiatives, including Inspire

Two “NHS Choices and Libraries” events held by South Central SHA were well received. A library staff toolkit will follow

Draft terms of reference for NLH Consumer Health Group will be circulated by Richard Osborne.

Society of Chief Librarians (public libraries) also have a Health Group.
8. Date and venue of next meeting:

Wednesday 17 Dec 2008, 10.30am – 12.30pm

Small Meeting Room
Duke of Edinburgh Hall Building
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Stoke Mandeville Hospital
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