Minutes  
Meeting of Open Access Advisory Group

Date: 13th June 2019

Present: Chair: Anne Horn (AH)
Carmen O’Dell (CO), Deborah McClean (DM), Nicola Dibben (ND), Tom Stafford (TS), Stephen Pinfield (SP), Mark Dickman (MD), Andrew Booth (AB), John Flint (JF), Tom Stafford (TS), Will Furnass (WF), Carmen O’Dell (CO), Christopher Burton (CB), Andrew Narracott (AN)

Secretary: Gavin Boyce (GB)

Apologies: Alasdair Rae, Illaria Bellantuono, John Derrick, John Haycock, Kirill Horoshenkov, Nathan Cunningham, Robert Collins, Simon Foster, Wendy Baird, Dorothy Kerr.

1. Minutes of the meeting held 2nd May 2019
   The group accepted these as a correct record.

   Matters arising
   CO presented the UKRI APC spend broken down by faculty as requested at the previous meeting (included in papers).

   OAAG requested that a list of authors supported by this funding, broken down by faculty, be provided and sent through to departments.

   OAAG noted that the Wellcome position had changed since last meeting in the light of the responses to the Plan S consultation. The Library work on developing a list of compliant journals will continue, albeit with a little less urgency.

   ND reported that DK had made good progress with the pilot survey of research practices in FCA.

   DM reported that considerations on the implementation of DORA across the institutions were underway. It is anticipated that this will include changing the way we recruit and promote and will therefore need input from HR. Research Services will be letting HODs know that this work is underway (action from previous meeting).

2. Open Access Policy and Implementation
   a) Plan S Update (CO)
   AH presented a paper outlining the recent changes to Plan S implementation
resulting from the recent consultation exercise. The paper had been prepared for UEB. AH has suggested that the institutional response to Plan S requires a governance framework that is representative of university stakeholders. This may be the Strategic Change Office, UEB to decide.

OAAG noted that the changes seem to have closed some loopholes present in the previous iteration (e.g. mirror journals). The chair noted that the next steps for the institution should be a consideration of how we communicate the intent behind Plan S, as it is expected this will not change. Some work from the Library on communications should occur over the summer.

AH noted that the Library is already working with White Rose partners to identify the development needs and/or replacement requirements of our shared repository. This should also consider how we make our research discoverable. Although repository content is routinely surfaced by Google there might be additional work to be done to comply with Plan S requirements.

b) Draft TOR for Research Software T&F working group
The Group considered the TOR and the membership. There was discussion of an appropriate Chair by the Group. Brought forward from previous meeting, a discussion with the Head of Computer Science is advisable before progressing. In addition, the group should involve HR in an advisory capacity to ensure employment contracts were considered. On this basis OAAG were happy with a report back to the next OAAG.

c) Leiden Rankings Update
OAAG noted the latest Leiden OA rankings. The Library was asked to keep an eye on these and other relevant statistics for further report to OAAG.

II Research Data Management

d) Staffing Update (GB)
OAAG noted the staff changes (new G6 in place, new G8 due 23rd July) in the Scholarly Communications team within the library.

e) CO provided an update on the Wellcome Trust APC funding. This is now 94% consumed with 4 months of the grant year remaining. The Library will be requesting additional funds from Wellcome.

3. AOB
f) TS announced that Sheffield Reproducibility Showcase is scheduled for 27th June. This will include presentations from library staff on OA and RDM matters. OAAG were asked to raise awareness among contacts.

4. Time and date of next meeting.
   3rd September 2019
   10am to 11.30
   Room TBC