University of Cambridge

JOURNALS CO-ORDINATION SCHEME

CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE FOR TECHNOLOGY

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th May 2018
in the Pink Study Room, Betty and Gordon Moore Library

Present: Niamh Tumelty (Chair, Engineering), Penelope Butler (JCS Team), Nicholas Cutler (Computer Laboratory), Sue Lambert (Moore Library), Yvonne Nobis (Moore Library), David Wills (JCS Team)

Apologies: Joanne Farrant (JCS Team), Kirsten Lamb (Engineering), Helen Stevens-Smith (Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology)

1. Declaration of interests

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th February 2018 were approved.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Matters of interest from the UL

David Wills reported that Dr Kirsty Allen would be taking up the post of Chief Operating Officer in the UL on 15th May and that Lesley Gray had been appointed to the post of Deputy Director, Digital Initiatives.

David also informed the Committee that the post of Head of Collection Development and Description in the UL was due to be advertised shortly. The JCS had not previously fallen with the remit of this post, but would now do so.

5. Financial matters

Paper 18-3 ‘JCS Financial position at 30th April 2018’ had been circulated prior to the meeting. David informed the Committee that the JCS had been advised that the RMC had approved the planning round submission which sought an increase of 1% on income from the CHEST and that the total allocation to the JCS for the financial year 2018/19 would be £5,858,000. It was noted that this increase, although welcome, could potentially not be enough to cover subscription increases, inflation.
6. JCS Working Group

David reported that the Working Group, which was looking at the way in which the University responds to ‘big deals’, would be meeting with a representative from JISC in late June.

Representatives of the Data Analysis Project attended the last meeting of the Working Group. The Working Group had been asked to consider what questions the Data Analysis Project should be aiming to answer. James Caudwell had provided a significant amount of data to the project on behalf of the JCS.

7. Open Access

Joanne Farrant had provided copies of the OSC’s ‘Open Access Service Report’ that were handed out on her behalf at the meeting. These reports were due to be produced monthly by the OSC.

Following a discussion regarding access to new reports and information disseminated by the OSC, it was decided to investigate whether it would be possible for all communications regarding Open Access to be sent to the lib-list or lib-discuss mailing lists.

8. Prioritisation of recommendations

After some discussion, it was agreed to put forward the following title to the Steering Committee for approval for purchase:

*Nature biomedical engineering* (£2,710)

The Committee also agreed to recommend a subscription to *Nature sustainability* provided that either the Biological Sciences Committee or Physical Sciences Committee were willing to contribute towards the cost.

*Nature catalysis* was rejected.

A list of backfiles relevant to the School would be made available in the event that it became possible for backfiles to be purchased with any remaining funds.

9. Dates of meetings 2018-19

To be advised.

10. Any other business

None.