

# Briefing Document

## UK LOCKSS Alliance Members' Meeting

10th May 2011

This document is intended to give you some context before the members' meeting. Although there are several strands to the day, the time allotted for each session is quite short, so we hope to provide some advance focus here.

Below is some suggested reading, providing background to the developments that we will be discussing. Additionally there is a summary of what to expect from the workshop, and the themes and topics we hope to cover. A grouping of topics suggested by members of the UKLA is included in the "Q and A" page.

### Suggested reading

- The "e-Journal Archiving for UK HE Libraries" white paper (Charles Beagrie Ltd, 2010) contains recommendations for the UK HE sector to help improve the UK response to journal archiving:  
<http://www.jisc.ac.uk/whatwedo/programmes/preservation/2010ejournalwhitepaper.htm>
- The UKLA Website at <http://www.lockssalliance.ac.uk> discusses recent developments and experience, and includes the Strategic Plan:  
[http://www.lockssalliance.ac.uk/files/2010/12/UKLA\\_Strategic\\_Outline\\_January2011.pdf](http://www.lockssalliance.ac.uk/files/2010/12/UKLA_Strategic_Outline_January2011.pdf)
- Release notes describe what is new in LOCKSS 1.48:  
[http://www.lockss.org/lockss/Daemon\\_Release\\_Notes](http://www.lockss.org/lockss/Daemon_Release_Notes)

### What to expect

We hope the workshop will be informative for all, and that it will stimulate ideas about where we want the UK LOCKSS Alliance to develop in the future. The idea is that the sessions and the sharing of your LOCKSS experiences will inform the Q&A session at the end of the day. The workshop is intended to cover:

- Updates and discussion of UKLA strategies
- Presentations and demos of new LOCKSS features
- Sharing of experience and perspectives
- Questions and answers (outlined below)

## Q and A on Technical Operation of LOCKSS

This is a summary of the issues and questions raised by attendees during the signup process. “SFX link resolver integration” has been omitted as it will be covered in a separate session.

### Topics

- Experiences of using LOCKSS (general usage, problems).
- Procedures and workflows for adding content.
- Procedures when new content is released.
- Problem AUs – how to identify and resolve them.
- Admin user interface – statistics, health of box/title/AU.

### New content

- Responding to email alerts of new content.
- Recording added content [*see new KBART holdings exporter*].
- Recording currently unavailable but desirable content, e.g. future releases of a particular subscribed title.

### User Interface (UI)

- Journal configuration workflow.
- Finding and adding titles selectively.
- Identifying and addressing 'problem' AUs or titles; e.g. low agreement, crawl warning messages, uncollectable content, insufficient peers (for audit quorum).
- Clarifying the presentation of information.

### Questions

- “Do institutions add all the full text content which they can access, or only that content to which they have post-cancellation entitlement?”
- What content should go in a user manual? e.g. how to resolve common AU problems.

The afternoon session will be used to discuss people's experience of LOCKSS administration and the user interface. We expect there to be common issues which might be addressed by enhancing the UI in various ways, and we are hoping to establish the areas that need attention based on our discussion with you in the workshop. Having identified the broad requirements, we plan to circulate a short survey in the near future.

One specific aim is to better define the nature of a 'problem' AU or title. Our goal is to use these definitions to improve and clarify the UI, and to describe the best approach to resolving such problems in a user manual.