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From the British Library comes news of major changes at the highest level. Following the appointment of **Lynne Brindley** as Chief Executive, the library is re-structuring to enable it to meet the demands of the changing information environment, especially with regard to developments in digital information. Four senior level directors' posts have been advertised.

In the The Library's
Collection Management
Directorate, **Kevin Foody** has
taken over as Team Manager
for Document Supply Serials
Accessions. Kevin replaces **Andy Davis**, who is now
working on the Digital Library
System Project, where he is
responsible for ingest processes
(no jest intended – this is
indeed the correct term for
the process).

Mel Collier, currently a professor at the University of Northumbria and an international consultant on information strategies, is to be appointed the new director of the Tilburg University library, as of July 1st.

At the Department of Social Security, a number of moves were completed towards the end of last year. Angela Tailby was promoted to the post of Information Services Manager. **Melanie Harris**, previously Legal Librarian, moved to a new Senior Librarian post as Information Services Team Manager. Liz Murray is now Legal Librarian in New Court, having previously been Assistant Librarian under Melanie. Andria Lannon is now Agencies Librarian, replacing David Taylor. Sam Mitchell was confirmed in post as Agencies Assistant Librarian.

At the Department of Trade and Industry, **Tom Meechan** has been appointed Serials Team Leader in Information & Library Services Support Services, moving from IT Support within ILS. Tom replaces **Kate Want** who has taken promotion and moved out of ILS to the Publicity & Internal Communications Directorate.

The Food Standards Agency, formed in April 2000, appointed **Rita Morris** as

Librarian in May. Since then Rita has been assembling the library service for the agency. In November last year, Helen Heathcote was appointed Systems Librarian and **Aadil Bashir**, Acquisitions Manager, both moving from MAFF. Helen was Assistant Librarian at MAFF's Nobel House Library and Aadil was **Acquisitions Assistant** Librarian at the Whitehall Library. Also from MAFF, Nora **Ifidon** is part of the acquisitions team as Assistant Administrative Officer. The FSA is due to move to new premises in Kingsway, where the new library will have pride of place on the ground floor.

At the Foreign and Commonwealth Office library, Debbie Barney joined the purchasing section at the end of September as Assistant Librarian, moving from the Enquiries Section of the library, where she had been for 5 years. Debbie has particular responsibility for book accession and replaces Caroline Branney, who has moved back to Enquiries. Caroline Mack was appointed Assistant

Librarian responsible for periodicals in August last year. **Graham Cutting** joined the team in December.

At MAFF's Whitehall library, Maggie McDonald was appointed Acquisitions
Assistant Librarian in January, having previously worked in information in the banking sector. Maggie replaced Aadil Bashir, who moved to the Food Standards Agency library in November.

At the Public Record Office, in a moved missed a year ago, Helen Pye-Smith was appointed Resource Centre and Library Manager, replacing Aileen Cameron. Helen was formerly at the National Art Library.

The Copyright Licensing Agency appointed **David Crook** in October last year as Account Manager for the Higher Education Sector.

There are a number of changes pending at DERA, as it is re-structured ready for its official splitting into two parts in April. Part of DERA will be 'retained' as DSTL - Defence Science & Technology Laboratory, and part will be privatised - what is currently called New DERA or NDERA. Chrissie Stewart is Head of Knowledge Services for DSTL. At NDERA, Geoff Kerrison is Head of Information Sciences, David Little is Business Group Manager Information and Library Services.

At DERA in Malvern, **Miles Porter** has been appointed

In memory of David Gray



It is with great sadness that we have to announce the sudden death of David Gray. David, pictured, was a well respected, well loved member of the Senior Management Team at BMBC Ltd in Ringwood, Hampshire. David joined BMBC in 1994 as Area Sales Manager. He had over 25 years experience in the book trade. David started his career at Foyles. He was also a former

Director of Bumpus, Harden & Maxwell, and held the post of Deputy Marketing Director at Persimmon Press. Upon joining BMBC Ltd, he quickly established himself as the Southern Area Manager and at the beginning of 2000 he took over the highly important and difficult position of Customer Services Manager. He was exemplary in this role.

He will be remembered for his honest, kind and smiling approach to life. David was a true gentleman. He had a vast knowledge of the trade, knew many people from all walks of life and loved his work. David was a professional man who believed that if something was worth doing, it was worth doing right. He was considerate, sensitive and had a wonderful sense of humour. He was thorough and meticulous in all that he set out to do, and had order in his life.

David leaves behind his partner, Wendy and several children. Our thoughts go out to all his family on this very sad day. David will be very greatly missed by everyone who knew him.

> Stephanie Hobson Human Resources Manager, BMBC

Electronic Journals Manager, and continues to handle all subscription purchases for the whole of DERA. In October last year, Andy Hutchinson, who had been Team Leader at the Malvern library for two years, moved to the Army Library Service. The new Team Leader is Carol Minter, who was Librarian at what was formerly the Coal Research Establishment in Bishop Cleeve, Gloucestershire. For 18

months prior to joining DERA, Carol worked in Business Link as a Knowledge Agent.

The Joint Service Command and Staff College moved in August last year from Bracknell, the site of the former RAF Staff College, to a new purpose built staff college and library in Shrivenham. **Chris Hobson** remains Senior Librarian and oversaw the move into the splendid new

library. **Suzie Critchley** left the library at the time of the move, as did **Angelika Wright**, who has now left libraries and is working in RAF Strike Command in High Wycombe.

At NATS – the National Air Traffic Services library in Swanwick, **Hannah Hemming** was promoted to the post of Librarian in September last year, replacing **Ruth Russell**. Hannah was formerly Assistant Librarian.

In the academic library sector, there have been a number of changes in the library at Brighton University following a reorganisation of the information services. Christine Moon, formerly Head of Learning Resources was appointed Registrar and Clerk to the Board of Governors in August. Robin Arak is now Head of Information Services, which was formed from a merger of the Learning Resources and the Computer Centre. Robin was previously Head of Computing. Martin Haden, formerly Head of Media Services and Deputy Head of Learning Resources, is now Deputy Head of Information Services.

At the University of Cranfield, **Louise Edwards**, Head of the Management Information Resource Centre, has been seconded to the JISC DNER team where she will be focusing on building DNER in the collection areas of primary research materials and e-books.

At the University of Leeds, Gail Russell took up the post

of Management Information
Officer at the beginning of
February. Gail was formerly
Serials and Binding Team
Leader for the University
library, based at the Edward
Boyle Library. The new Serials
Team Leader is Steve Sharp,
who will be based at the
Brotherton Library at Leeds.
Louise Cole, also at the
Brotherton Library, will be
looking after the university's
electronic resources
subscriptions.

At the University of Oxford Liz Martin of the Bodleian Law Library is to be the new Librarian for Nuffield College. Jonathan Bengtson, Librarian of Queen's College is moving to the States to take up a post in a horticultural library in the Boston area.

At Queen's University Belfast, a new directorate has been created following a review of information services. This incorporates Library, Computing and Audio-Visual Services. Norman Russell was appointed Director of Information Services for the beginning of the academic year, and six Assistant Director level posts were announced in February. Nigel Butterwick, formerly Associate Librarian Reader Services is now Assistant Director User Services. John Gormley is Assistant Director Infrastructure. He was formerly in Computer Services, as were Robert Roulston and Randall **Thompson**. Robert is now Assistant Director Administration Support. Randall is Assistant Director

Learning and Teaching
Support. Elizabeth Traynor,
formerly Agriculture and Food
Science Librarian, is now
Assistant Director Research
Support. Trevor Lyttle is
Assistant Director Resource
Management. Trevor's
responsibilities include
acquisitions, cataloguing and
periodicals.

After 23 years as University Librarian at the University of Southampton, Bernard Naylor 'retired' at the end of December to take up the post of President of the Library Association. Sheila Corrall has been appointed to a new post at Southampton as Director of Academic Support Services, starting at the beginning of March. Sheila will be responsible for both the Library and Computing Services. A new Librarian is due to be appointed shortly. In the meantime Deputy Librarian Mark Brown is Acting Librarian.

At the University of Ulster, Elaine Urquhart is Assistant Director Library and Information Services. Elaine was formerly User Services Librarian based at Coleraine.

In the medical libraries, **Gay Davies** took early retirement in
December from the Institute of
Cancer Research where she had
been Librarian for 18 years.
Gay will be missed this year at
the UKSG Conference but will
still be in touch with excolleagues, as she remains on
the Social Committee for ICML
and also on the Health
Libraries Group Committee.

At Benendon Hospital in Kent Pat Gilbert-Sneddon retired in December. Her replacement is Lesley Downs who started in January 2001. Lesley was formerly at the Royal Pharmaceutical Association.

At the beginning of January, Andy Richardson was appointed Knowledge Manager at Greenwich Healthcare Trust. For the previous few months Andy had been temporarily in post at Greenwich. One of his first tasks will to oversee the library's move to the new Queen Elizabeth Hospital nearby.

In January, **Janet Holman** retired as Assistant Director (Organisational and Staff Development) for the South Thames Region Library and Information Service.

In December **John Roy**, Technical Librarian at the Babtie Group in Reading, moved to take up a new post at Technical Indexes.

Pat Sherlock, who was Library Manager at the Law Library of the University of Westminster for a number of years before October 1996, has been working part time for the Solicitors Indemnity Fund.

Last September **Georgina Gurnhill** joined Nature
Publishing Group as Marketing
Manager. For the previous six
year Georgina was Head of
Journals Promotion at IoPP
(Institute of Physics Publishing).

Very sad news comes from BMBC of **David Gray's** sudden death in January. David was very well known in the serials world having been with Bumpus, at Pergamon and then Dawsons before joining BMBC. (see p.102)

Colin Rafferty, Regional Sales Manager for North UK, left EBSCO at the beginning of February and has emigrated to New Zealand. Colin had been with EBSCO for four years. Rob Naylor, formerly with the British Library, started at EBSCO in November last year and has now taken over from Colin.

Richard Savory joined Everetts as General Manager, TDNet UK. Richard was Managing Director of Thompson Henry Ltd, and was previously with Blackwells and Swets. Everetts are the main UK agent for TDNet UK, a recently introduced one-stop e-journal management service, which is already attracting attention. Keith Renwick (known to many UKSG members from his years at UMIST) remains with Everetts but is now Sales Manager for TDNet UK. Langley Shearer joined Everetts early in 2000 after many years' experience with Swets and previously with Blackwells. He has now been appointed Sales Manager and looks forward to renewing his acquaintance with UK librarians.

Changes too at Rowecom, where in December Des Le Roy joined RoweCom UK as Sales Manager. He comes to RoweCom from Chelsea Village Travel, where he managed a large portfolio of corporate accounts. Des replaces Heather Crosbie, who has relocated to the RoweCom office in Australia. Nathan Staniford has moved from his current customer service role to a new position as Sales Executive, focusing on accounts in the corporate sector. Nathan will also provide the whole sales team at RoweCom UK with technical support for electronic journals and CD-ROMs. In the US, NASIG Past-President Dan Tonkery has left RoweCom to join EBSCO as Vice-President and Director of Business Development.

Mark Johnson is now Sales & Marketing Manager at Treasury Today. Mark was a former Marketing Manager at Dawson.

At Swets Blackwell UK, too, there have been a number of changes. At the turn of the year, Debbie Dore was appointed Sales Manager for UK and Ireland, replacing Clare Holmes who had joined the merged company from Blackwell Information Services. Also in January Anna Lister Cheese moved from sales to a new role in Publisher Relations and Marketing. As Project Leader, Commercial Sourcing, she will be developing relationships with publishers and suppliers.