

Voyager breakout session: EPUG-UKI 29 March 2011

Site updates and 'like to hear' for future sessions

LSE (Michael Fake)

Currently working on: integrating Voyager with VUFind (reserves etc); integrating Voyager with CampusM institutional mobile application.

Would like to hear: how people found the Voyager enhancement voting, any ideas/comments on how we do it in the future. Why did so few institutions vote: was it the process or general disengagement?

University of the Arts London (John Humphreys, Ray Delahunty)

Currently working on: RFID for full collection over the summer (tendering now); moving to 7.2.4 after Easter.

Organisational changes: John retiring, cat & acq centralising, move of one campus (large volume location change)

University of Hertfordshire (Karen Allen, Sarah Halliday, Jackie Harrison)

Currently working on: migrating from 6.1 to 7.2.4 in August

Would like to hear: about online payments

Plymouth University (Peter Price)

Currently working on: Looking at Voyager Direct; EDI invoices, integrating these with University financial system (Agresso); recently implemented web payments (using Talis)

Cardiff University (Chris Fleet)

Currently working on: upgrading Voyager 7.2.0 to 7.2.4 in April; implementing Primo

Cambridge University (Iain Burke, Rachel Marsh)

Currently working on: integrating Voyager with AquaBrowser; looking at new hardware, moving to Linux; plan to move to Voyager 8.0 in December (barring any 'breakages')

Would like to hear: about online payments

College of Law (Andrew Smith)

Currently working on: migrating from 7.2.0 to 7.2.4; putting WebVoyager customisations for 7.0.4 into 7.2.4

Society of Antiquaries of London (Ortrun Peyn)

Currently working on: migrating classic opac to Tomcat. As a library without circulation have to customise the Tomcat opac a lot to remove items.

Would like to know: currently on 7.2.1 would it be easier/more efficient to move to 7.2.4 or 5 or wait until 8.0.

Consensus answer from the group: choose whether to upgrade based on functionality in the release, don't upgrade just for the sake of it, if you are interested in GDC wait for that.

Questions for Ex Libris:

1. Question above from Ortrun (giving Robert the chance to consider the answer further)
"As long as they're not in a hurry to implement Tomcat WebVoyage, we would recommend they switch when they upgrade to Voyager 8.0. There will be several OPAC fixes in the Voyager 7.2.5 SP, which will also be in Voyager 8.0. Starting with Voyager 8.0 will ensure that they have the very latest configuration files."
2. Are the new Voyager alerts in self-issue? Ie are those alerts that were shown in the circ client, like loan shortened due to patron expiry, also alerts in self-issue? (Peter, UP)
"The new staff alerts are controlled by individual preference settings at the client level and available exclusively in the Circ client. They do not display as messages in self-check devices. If you submit an enhancement request - we will look at the issue further."
3. In the presentation there are figures about the per centage of calls dealt with. What are the total number of Voyager incidents per year? (Ray, UAL)
"I'm afraid I've not yet been able to find a figure for the total number of Voyager incidents per year."