



## Delivering shared services for research data

## Research at risk

66 This must be sorted and pulled together. Jisc can offer leadership here. 99 John Shemilt - Director of ICT, Imperial College, RUGIT



Realising a robust and sustainable research data management infrastructure and services to enrich UK research.

### Challenge

There is currently an inefficient and fragmented approach to research data management throughout the UK. This leads to underperformance and cost inefficiencies across universities. There is a real risk to universities in failing to comply with government and funder requirements.

#### Who it affects

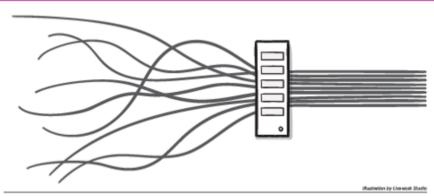
- >> Researchers need to comply with government and funder requirements
- >> IT directors need to store and manage research data
- >> Librarians need to ensure other researchers can access the data

### Why it matters

Timescale

benefits?

- >> Ability to attract and retain researchers
- >> Reputation of universities can be affected by mismanagement of research data
- >> Support better research collaboration (internationally)
- >> Comply with requirements of research funders



#### Success criteria

- >> Cost effective national brokered infrastructure as a service
- >>> Research outputs discoverable and reusable
- >>> Fewer impediments to doing research
- >>> Research Data Management is business as usual

### Strategic framework

How does the challenge fit with Jisc's strategic framework?



### Jisc audience

Which members of Jisc's audience will be most interested?











Quick wins, requirements and plan

How long until we can expect to see the

### Commitment

Who in the steering group pledged to commit two days of their time?



- Mile Fraser - Director of Infrastructure Services, University of



## Compliance

- EPSRC Mandate HEI's need established infrastructure and processes to ensure :
- Retained EPSRC-funded research data is preserved for a minimum of ten years
- Effective data curation is provided throughout full data lifecycle
- Knowledge is provided about their publicly-funded research data holdings
- Discoverability; recording of third party access requests
- Notice and justification of access restrictions, for example 'commercially confidential'
- Awareness and use of relevant law, for example FOI
- Awareness and compliance with research data policies
- Adequate RDM resource allocation for example from quality-related research (QR) funding or research grants
- <a href="https://www.jisc.ac.uk/guides/meeting-the-requirements-of-the-EPSRC-research-data-policy">https://www.jisc.ac.uk/guides/meeting-the-requirements-of-the-EPSRC-research-data-policy</a>

https://pixabay.com/en/chaos-regulation-shield-board-391652/

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## **Data curation**

Its hard to do so, why look after data?

- Needed to prove research is valid
- Need it to be able to replicate research



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Data\_sharing



## Opportunities – data curation



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Collections\_management\_ %28museum%29

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## Opportunities – more innovative research

The launch of 100 floating sensors into the Sacramento River for the Floating Sensor Network project



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ Center\_for\_Information\_Technology\_Rese arch\_in\_the\_Interest\_of\_Society



# Research at Risk projects

### **Shared Services**

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# Shared services in active RDM & storage



To determine the need and scope of a shared service, underpinned by a clear RDM architecture. To then procure the development & delivery of a shared service for RDM.

- •Blog: http://bit.ly/1IMKkn6
- •End Goals: HEIs can meet funder mandates easily and have a cost effective solution.

# Shared services in the preservation & curation gap



To work with institutions to determine the need and scope of shared solutions to meeting research data needs for curation and preservation

- •Website: http://bit.ly/1IMKkn6
- •End Goals: Shared service to meet preservation needs so HEIs have trusted long-term access to data.

# Research Data Management Shared Service

- Blog:
- •End Goals: RDM shared service that enables easy implementation of a solution for RDM in UK HEIs





### **Shared Services**



### **UK Research Data Discovery Service**



To develop a shared service to make research data easier to discover and re-use - this aims to be a shared national catalogue of research data

- •Website: http://bit.ly/1lseikh
- End Goals: A shared service for research data to enhance re-use and impact of data; possibly part of the RDM shared service

### Journal Research **Data Policies** Registry



To develop best practice on journal policies between publishers & other stakeholders. To make it easy for researchers to know how to follow policies and for journals to create RD policies

- •Website: http://bit.ly/1Ks8jhb
- •End Goals: A shared service with easy access to journal research data policies and common related standards

### **Usage Statistics for** Research Data



To increase understanding of metrics & usage for RD, to develop a usage statistics service to enable UK HEIs to count data use, to contribute to incentives for sharing research data & to contribute to determining the point of use

- •Blog: http://tinyurl.com/ gcxfaao
- •End Goals: a shared research data usage statistic service & common related standards





### Research Data Spring



To bring together key actors in the research data management arena to develop innovations for improving workflows, interoperability and new shared tools and services

- •Website: http://bit.ly/1LCrmEG
- •End Goals: A range of interoperability issues improved, shared advice & in some cases tools for all HEIs.









### **Advice and Guidance**

## **Jisc**

### **DIRECTIONS FOR** RDM in UK Universities



A shared state of play and set of directions in consultation and collaboration with key stakeholders, in particular ARMA, SCONUL, RLUK, RUGIT and UCISA.

- •Outputs: Workshop, http:// bit.ly/1T4XG5l Report, http://bit.ly/1KgoUjl
- End Goals: A plan for the way ahead & a baseline for progress

### **Business Case and** Costing for RDM



An agreed set of guidance for the case for RDM and costing information to support the business case in HEIs for research data management.

• End Goals: Defined value of RDM, business case template and costing tool for HEIs

### Guidance on meeting Research Funder requirements O



Clear guidance on how to meet funder policies & engagement with Research Data Concordat Group on funder policy harmonisation and implementation.

- •Outputs: Guide on meeting the EPSRC research data policy & case studies http://bit.ly/1Jtpfko
- End Goals: funder policies are easier to meet.









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## What institutions told us they'd like



## What would you like Jisc to Provide?

- "A national data repository"
- "Clarification of issues across requirements of multiple funders that at times seem contradictory..."
- "Working with research funders on data storage requirements, for them to provide suitable discipline specific data storage and preservation..."
- "Currently the UK is running a very inefficient model requiring individual institutions to establish their own repositories. Influencing future central/research council provision would be useful"
- "If not able to provide e.g. data repositories, influence funder or sector/community provision to support the needs of that funder/community."
- "Data access and user tracking tools and statistics on shared archive services"

## Find out more...



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