A Manifesto for Mobile: Developing a Shared Mobile Resources Checklist

Theme: Best practice for the use of mobile technologies in libraries

As part of a series of workshops, and building on a pre-conference event at M-Libraries 2012, a number of UK academic libraries, as well as Jisc and Jisc Collections have begun work to develop a shared, community-sourced mobile resource checklist. Building on the work of the <u>Library Success</u> <u>Wiki</u> the checklist would provide an up-to-date indicator of the mobile friendliness of resources, as well as a clear indicator to publishers of the requirements libraries have. In particular the web-based resource and checklist will provide:

- A mobile standard (and a checklist endorsed by Jisc Collections);
- Clarity around publisher offerings;
- An international approach;
- Accessibility for all;
- Cross platform compatibility;
- Mobile as a core product offer, not a value added offering.
- Support to staff in meeting Nasig Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians

The aim of such a checklist will be to collate the requirements of university and college libraries as well as provide opportunities for publishers to work with libraries to ensure that they are producing a product that meets the needs of end-users. By ensuring the basic requirements for mobile content and access are met, the resource should enable true innovation to flourish with the provision of mobile content.

This hands-on workshop session will provide delegates with a preview of the web-resource and checklist, and an opportunity to help inform and input into the draft resource and checklist, and provide the project with a broader, international picture of library requirements for mobile content.

The session will also aim to 'future-proof' the resource and checklist by working with the participants to surface future requirements and identify potential partnerships and collaborations to make this web-based checklist a truly international resource.

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