

Response of the Board of Trustees of the National Library of Scotland to the report of the Research Support Libraries Group

The Final Report of the Research Support Libraries Group was considered by the Board of Trustees of the National Library of Scotland at its meeting on 3rd March 2003.

The Board welcomed the report, and noted the need for a strategic national approach to meet the information requirements of researchers. The Board supported the recommendation that a new body, the Research Libraries Network, should be established by the sponsors of the report, and the recommendations concerning the need for a nationally coherent approach to the description, acquisition, and accessibility of collections.

The Board welcomed the Report's recognition that the national libraries should be adequately funded to fulfil their roles in the UK network of libraries. The Trustees gave their strong support to the conclusions of the report, and recommended that they should be widely disseminated.