

## Issue 7 – May 2010

Last year we started a Collection Moves programme of low to nil use items to a new storage facility at our Boston Spa site, in West Yorkshire. It is the largest programme of moves we have undertaken since the opening of St Pancras in 1998 and it is intended to secure the condition of these items for the long term.

### Latest news on Collection Moves

The first phase of moves to the new Additional Storage Building is scheduled to be completed by the end of May 2010, and subject to the successful completion of the end-to-end delivery system, the embargo on the following shelfmark items will be lifted on **Tuesday 1 June 2010**:

**P.101 – P.2000**  
**PP02 – PP4970**  
**PP6000 – PP7900**

These were items previously stored at St Pancras. Access to remaining material will be rolled out in subsequent days throughout June and early July. We will let you know if there are any changes to this date.

After the end of this embargo the system for ordering items will remain unchanged, and material will be delivered to Reading Rooms in St Pancras from the Additional Storage Building in Boston Spa within 48 hours, as is presently done.

### Details of the next items to be moved

#### Newspapers

As mentioned in the previous Collection Moves Reader News Bulletin (Issue 6, April 2010), part of the Library's newspaper collection is moving to the Additional Storage Building. This starts on **Thursday 6 May 2010**, and includes:

- The print copies of the UK national newspapers collection, currently stored at 120 Colindale

These will continue to be available at the Newspaper Library in Colindale, in microfilm or digital format.

Two million pages of fully searchable 19th century newspapers are available through a micropayment site at <http://newspapers.bl.uk/blcs>

A further one million digitised newspaper pages from the same period are also now available in Library Reading Rooms.

### **Collection items currently stored at Woolwich**

We also said that collection items will now be moved from the Woolwich site to the Additional Storage Building. The lease of the Woolwich building expires at the end of this year, so this material needs to be relocated.

The embargo for this material will start on **Monday 17 May 2010** and these items will be unavailable for Reader requests.

Upon start up of retrieval services from the Additional Storage Building, collections moved from Woolwich and stored in this building should become available in 48 hours.

The Woolwich shelfmarks covered by the embargo are:

**13007 to 13008**

**14120 to 14164**

Plus items shelfmarked from **Abor-Miri B to ZP.9.a – b, d**, and identified on the Integrated Catalogue as coming from **Woolwich**.

The full details of the list can be found at [www.bl.uk/collectionmoves](http://www.bl.uk/collectionmoves)

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank Readers for their patience and understanding. The Collection Moves programme is a major and complex undertaking that will bring long-term benefits to storage, preservation and access to the collection.

"I appreciate that the Moves programme does cause disruptions but at all times we have done everything we can to minimise the impact," said Patrick Fleming, Associate Director for Operations and Services, London.

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### **Have your say! More opportunities to attend a Reader workshop on the Library's Newspaper Moves Strategy**

We are continuing with more workshops this summer, offering Readers the opportunity to give us feedback on the Newspaper Moves strategy, to help us manage the transition as smoothly as possible and help users adapt to access arrangements in the future. These will be on:

**Tuesday 15 June 2010, 10.30 – Midday, at 130 Colindale**

**Tuesday 22 June 2010, 10.30 – Midday, at St Pancras**

This will be an opportunity to voice your views, and as places are limited, please either book at the Reference Enquiry Desk at Colindale or email [fiona.mccarthy@bl.uk](mailto:fiona.mccarthy@bl.uk)

We will keep you regularly updated on this Collection Moves programme. The next news bulletin will be available in July 2010. You can also visit [www.bl.uk/collectionmoves](http://www.bl.uk/collectionmoves)

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