

## COMMUNITY USAGE AND INTERAUTHORSHIP

- public authored content
- crowd sourced content
- user generated content - micro communities creating joint content

There was real concern that the report did not cover this important area. To enable the use of the web for its key potential, connectivity between small to large groups of people, working/creating together through local-to-local processes, is an imperative. These group creations need to be taken into account, as do the process of rights protection in relationship to these projects i.e. creative commons etc

Examples were put forward from within the groups experience of :-

- community activist and networking sites - where the community is empowered through the use of simple publishing tools to develop web sites allowing them to publish issues and concerns of the locality, creating a network of information -online group creations processes developed through the uploading of media (video, sound and text) by communities at a distance to each other to co-create projects e.g. books written in relay by sentences input by 500 people, films using 30 sec clips uploaded by 300 different people, communities gatherings for live events and mass creation projects - the use of telematics ( full bodied video conferencing) to connect people in gestures, in debate and in performances for educational and social usage, knowledge, advice and information exchange - the shared mapping of human geographies - economics, social and political - linked to community concerns - community owned networks for exchange and broadcast- used for care in community projects, local news, rural connectivity etc

There was concern about an over focus on UK Original content and a question about whether any content is really for the UK only .....it was felt that local-to-local connectivity, one of the key potentials of the web, must be used to enable debate between one community and another distant community with a similar issue e.g flooding, farming, education, whatever country the communities are in. This must not be limited by UK focussed thinking ....as the best advice/information may come from a community in another country.