

Staff Gateway Project

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Background

- Scope
 - Improve the information architecture beneath <u>www.ox.ac.uk/staff/</u>
 - Create a new gateway of links on top of existing web content
 - Gather information for planning future improvements to the website
- Work is being carried out in three phases
 - → User research, analysis of requirements and specification
 - Design of information architecture
 - Implementation and usability testing
- Five groups involved in the project

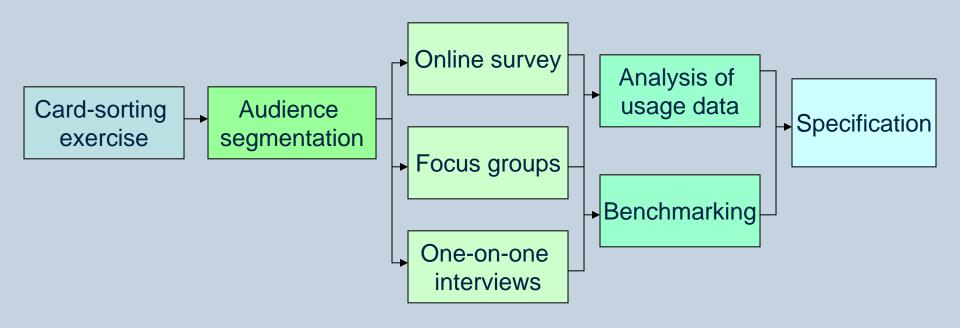


User research

- Provides a clear framework for the information architecture
- Identifies different user groups
- Helps understand user needs and search preferences
- Draws on different methodologies:
 - Quantitative research to identify usage patterns and satisfaction rates
 - Qualitative research which focuses on needs analysis



Research techniques





User research headlines

- 1,719 responses to web survey
- 43% use <u>www.ox.ac.uk</u> and/or <u>www.admin.ox.ac.uk</u> daily
- Top content:
 - Term dates
 - Personal finance (e.g. pay dates, pension)
 - Maps / directions
 - IT support & services
 - Libraries
- Top tools:
 - Contact search
 - Webmail
 - OLIS
 - OxLIP
 - Weblearn



User research headlines – IT and web staff

- 143 responses to web survey
- 32% use <u>www.ox.ac.uk</u> and/or <u>www.admin.ox.ac.uk</u> daily
- Top content:
 - IT support & services
 - Personal finance (e.g. pay dates, pension)
 - Staff benefits
 - Job vacancies
 - Maps / directions
- Top tools:
 - Contact search
 - Webmail
 - Branding toolkit
 - Helpdesk information
 - Weblearn



Baggage

- How often do you use the staff pages?
- What do you use them for?
- What frustrates you about the site?





Helping staff find relevant information

How should the new Staff Gateway fit in with Department / College / unit sites?





Tailored routes to tools & services?

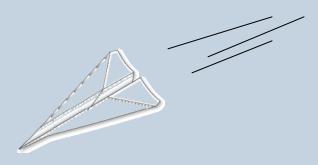
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Content feeds?

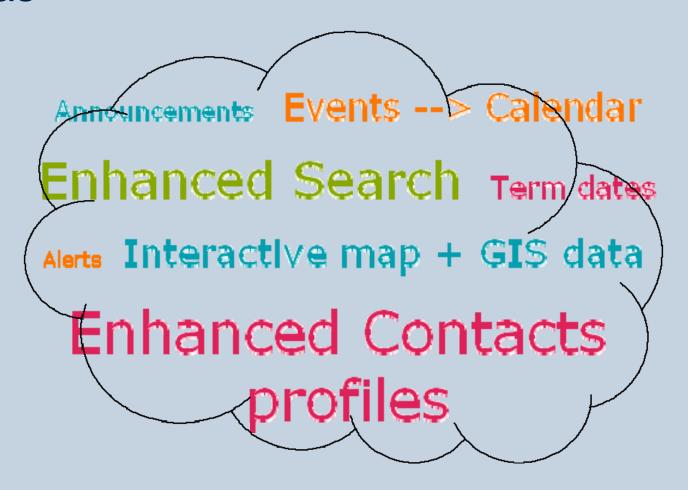
What content do you want from us?

What content should we take from you?





Ideas





What next?

- Feedback relating to site structure and navigation will be fed into site redesign and launched as an output of this project
- Other feedback will be passed to site and content owners and used to identify and prioritise plans for future web projects
- See https://wiki.oucs.ox.ac.uk/oxweb/meeting-2008-06 for 'User research for the Staff Gateway project' slides
- Comments and questions to <u>staff.gateway@admin.ox.ac.uk</u>

