



FACT SHEET

Key Benefits

Core functionality delivered within weeks, allowing staff to begin using the SharePoint solution, learning what it does and helping them decide what they need in the final solution based on knowledge and experience

Higher value solution - the project team are freed to focus on what is unique and specific about their solution rather than debate what should be standard, out of the box capabilities

Earlier project completion - shorter requirements gathering phases and development times leads to more rapid delivery and go live

Concurrent training and content migration. The accelerator is designed to be used as an operational system, so staff can be trained on it and content can be entered while the extended requirements are worked on

Advanced corporate capabilities, including:

- Enhanced search, featuring people search, faceted search etc
- Add-ons for management and Information Governance of documents
- Rich content types
- Areas for Performance, Programmes and projects, Staff, News, Corporate documents

SharePoint 2010 and 2007

Microsoft SharePoint Server is a hugely broad and powerful information platform. The 2010 release builds on the success of 2007 (MOSS), adding powerful and relevant new features, a better interface and addressing many limitations and provides an extensible platform for future needs. Applications built on SharePoint can support a huge variety of business needs.

Businesses trying to make the most of this technology have a range of circumstances which make implementing SharePoint difficult or inefficient.

We have found that companies who use SharePoint straight out of the box are utilising only roughly 60% of its true potential; by taking a different approach and employing the Solution Accelerator, not only will projects be completed rapidly and efficiently, but the individual needs of the business can be taken care of in the later stages of development. The Solution Accelerator means that around three-quarters of the framework is already done, meaning that bespoke applications and pilot phases can be implemented sooner, and with more time for developmental discussions.

A consequence of businesses attempting SharePoint projects is that they often lack the level of commitment, planning, project control and commitment of technical and business resources to make it a success. Most SharePoint projects fail as a consequence. Companies know their business but not how to achieve it using SharePoint; nor do they have the skilled

resources needed to develop the detailed Information Architecture required for an effective SharePoint solution; trusts want their users and directorates involved, but don't know how to explain the vision and deliver the approach.

The SharePoint Solution Accelerator

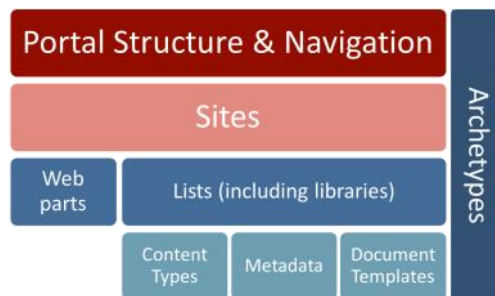
Search alone can save information-orientated staff over 15 minutes per day, every day.

The SharePoint Solution Accelerator is an approach Cloud2 adopt for delivering better SharePoint projects. It places Architecture before Applications (IA) and Configuration before Development, to offer a broad and deep framework for an intranet which includes elements of

document management, collaboration, information storage and retrieval, extranet and more. The core framework, features and functions meet about 80% of the company's needs, leaving more project time to focus on the unique and important differences. The Solution Accelerator includes a predesigned Information Architecture (IA, based on over a

man year of development - far more than most organisations can commit to developing) combined with a set of features that meets the core needs of enterprises. It includes specific developments for

Enterprise Search, People Search, a Document Centre for the management and publication of corporate documents; a range of other features and areas provide tools for the entire organisation. The design has proved





About Cloud2

Cloud2 specialise in providing SharePoint solutions to large enterprises.

We are known for our frank and supportive project style and our ability to deliver successful projects rapidly. Our solutions and services include:

- Intranet, Extranet and Internet
- Document Management and collaboration
- eForms and workflow
- Rapid Business Intelligence & Performance Management
- Slate computing
- Rich search
- Access database migration
- Programme/Project Management
- SharePoint Support

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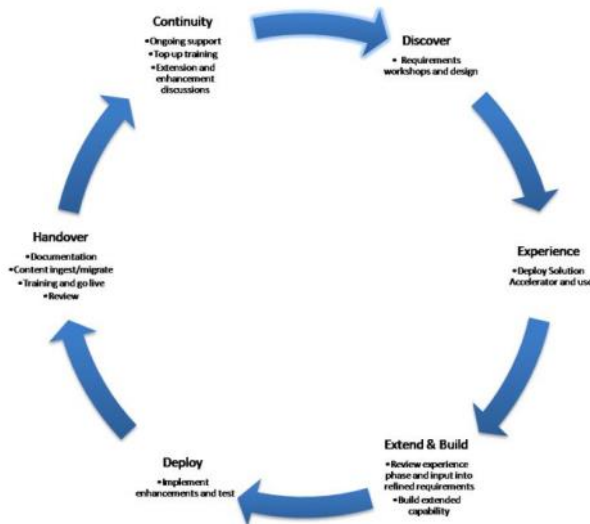
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flexible enough to accommodate whatever new applications and types of content we have been challenged with. A range of Archetypes are included – information designs for various information problems that can be used as the basis for solutions to new business needs.

Top to bottom architecture

The high level navigation typically includes

- Document management, including Policies library, corporate library, templates and forms library, slide library and image library - ensures organisation wide information is accessible and properly managed
 - Department sites with restricted access sub-sites - provides a collaboration and publication mechanism for day to day work
 - Performance area for business intelligence and reporting - provides a central location for analysts to create and publish their reports which can feature dashboards, Scorecards and KPIs. These can be expanded to use SQL Reports, PerformancePoint, Excel charts and other BI tools subject to licences
 - Programmes area for strategic programmes and related project sites - provide 'project-lite' tools for managing projects across directorate and organisational boundaries
 - Staff Zone - information and tools to help and engage staff, such as Vacancies, For sale & Social notices, Social events, Canteen menu/sandwich run
 - Knowledge Centre for FAQ's, news, library and information resources, information pages, FAQ, wiki, and useful information list - offers a store for 'soft' and previously tacit organisational knowledge
 - Advanced search for documents, information, people based on the sophisticated metadata model - greatly improves the ability to find information within seconds
 - My Sites for personal content, personal profiles and corporate social networking features - helps replace personal drives
 - Active Directory integration providing a rich and fast Staff directory
- Homepage with tools for relevant and corporate RSS feed news, Site wide search • and People



search, Executive announcement/Mission statement, Links, My Details custom web part (showing personal profile summary and offering Active Directory update, signposting to content and links to organisation wide applications

- Extended search includes full text searching of all content, faceted filtering of results, optional indexing of file shares, people search and more

Specific site and library templates are included, complete with standard metadata, content types and features; so the policies area includes Policy Content types that include expiry dates, retention periods etc. that can be leveraged to support the management of the entire document

lifecycle.

Implementation

Although the Solution Accelerator is a pre-configured framework, project delivery focuses on configuring it for each business. We install the base version very early in the project and continue to configure it based on a small number of initial workshops and regular Live Meeting reviews in order to reach UAT as quickly as possible - most of your learning and needs emerge when the solution is in use so we focus on achieving that quickly and continuing to develop the platform based on this experience.

Implementation of the base SharePoint Solution Accelerator takes a couple of weeks, in parallel we work with the trust to identify and configure anything we need to tweak, add or remove. Our clients typically can go live within 12 weeks of project start.

Following go-live SharePoint can be used to build further solutions for your changing business needs. Cloud2 has a range of sites, templates and applications for many of these and can offer help, advice and support as needed. However we also fully expect our clients to be able to manage without us and ensure that suitable knowledge transfer takes place. If you need additional support, however, we can provide it through Flexible Support, Proactive Support or on a project basis.