User Manual

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IT Helpdesk Portal

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

This document tries to describe installation of the application on the reader's system and how to use the application and exercise the test cases. This project assumes that the data is passing through an encrypted channel like HTTPS.

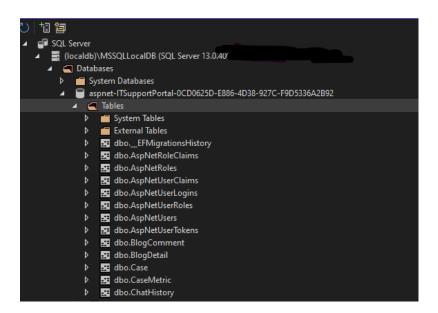
1.2 Setup

After cloning the repository install Visual Studio 2022 which has .NET 6.0 SDK support by default. Visual Studio 2019 does not support SDK 6.0. During Installation select ASP.NET and web development under workload options. Open the solution file located at ITSupportPortal/ITSupportPortal.sln and Build the Solution. Open the Package Manager Console and type "Update-Database" command to apply migrations to database.

For running the test cases, select Test from the menu bar and click on Run All Tests. To look at the test cases view the Folder ITSupportPortal.Tests/Controller.

Logs can be viewed at ITSupportPortal/Logs/ folder.

For viewing the database, click view on the menu bar and select SQL Server Object Explorer.



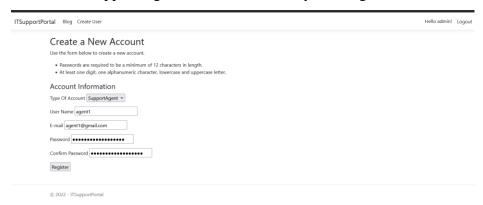
2. Usage of Application

Initially only one administrator account is created with credentials "admin" and "Securepassword@123". Other account for support agents and admins can be created using this account.

Normal registration flow will create customer accounts. For the purposes of demonstration, I have already created 1 customer account with name "customer1" and 1 agent account with name "agent1".

2.1 Admin Perspective

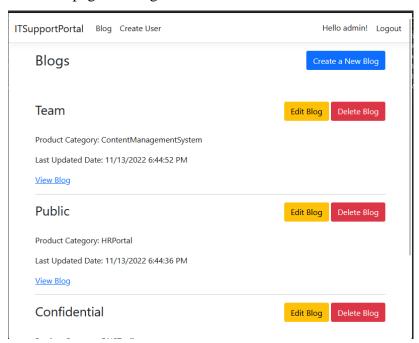
1. Create new Support Agent / Admin account by clicking on 'Create User' on the header.



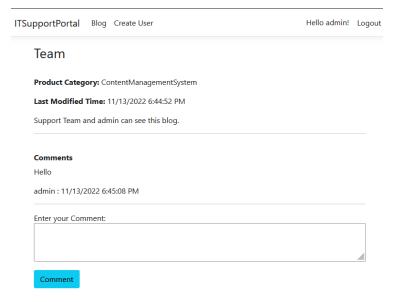
2. By clicking on the 'Blog' on the top bar, admins can create/edit/update blogs and set authorization levels.



3. The main page for blogs looks like below where admins can modify/delete blogs.



4. And add comment on them after clicking view blog



5. Metrics for the product category are pulled from database into the home page of admin users which can be accessed by clicking on the Top Left "ITSupportPortal" banner.

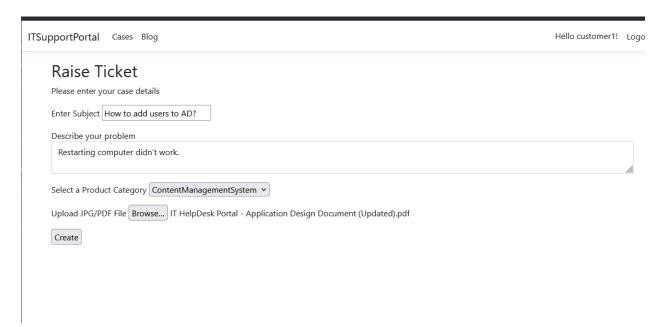
Welcome to IT Support Portal

Case Metrics

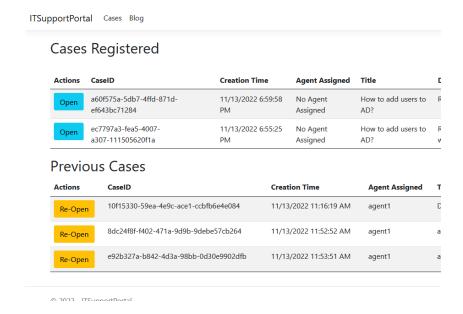
Product Category	Number of Cases	Average Assignment Time	Average Resolution Time
ServiceAfter	2	0:00:01:04	0:00:00:59
DNSToolbox	1	0:00:01:13	0:00:00:05

2.2 Customer Perspective

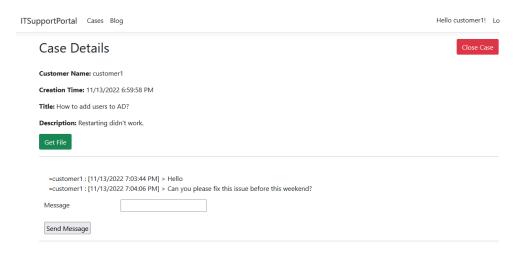
1. Click on Cases on the Header and select create new blog. Users can create new case and optionally add a file to the case only of type jpg or pdf.



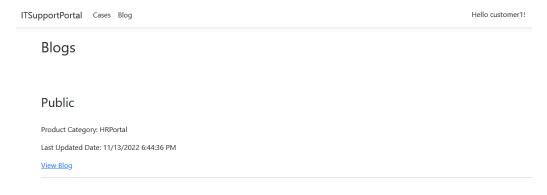
2. After creation the case will move to the queue which will be displayed in the next section of support agent. Meanwhile the cases view for customer will look something like this.



3. Upon clicking the open button customers can add comments and chat real time with the support agent if they are online.

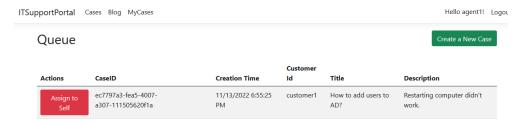


- 4. Either Customer or Agent can close the case which will move the case to Previous-Cases queue. And can be re-opened by customer by clicking on the Re-Open Button available on the cases page.
- 5. Lastly by clicking on the Blog tab in the header blogs with authorization level of Public will be displayed to customer and they can comment on those blogs.

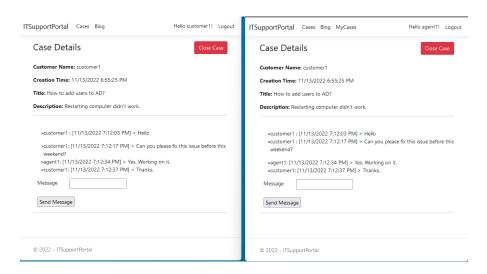


2.3 Support Agent Perspective

1. The Cases Tab in the agent account is the queue from which the agent can assign the cases to self, and they will be transferred to the case tab of agent. It can be viewed using "MyCases".



2. By clicking on Open button, the agent can start answering the queries of customers by real time chat. And view previous messages entered by customers.



- 3. In addition to these functionalities the agent can also view and comment of blogs that have authorization levels of public or team.
- 4. Support agent can also create case tickets on behalf of customers.