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A Lasting Power of Attorney is a legal document that lets you appoint someone to make decisions about your welfare, money or property. It can be used at any time when if you are not able to make your own decisions. Find out more about a Lasting Power of Attorney.

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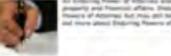
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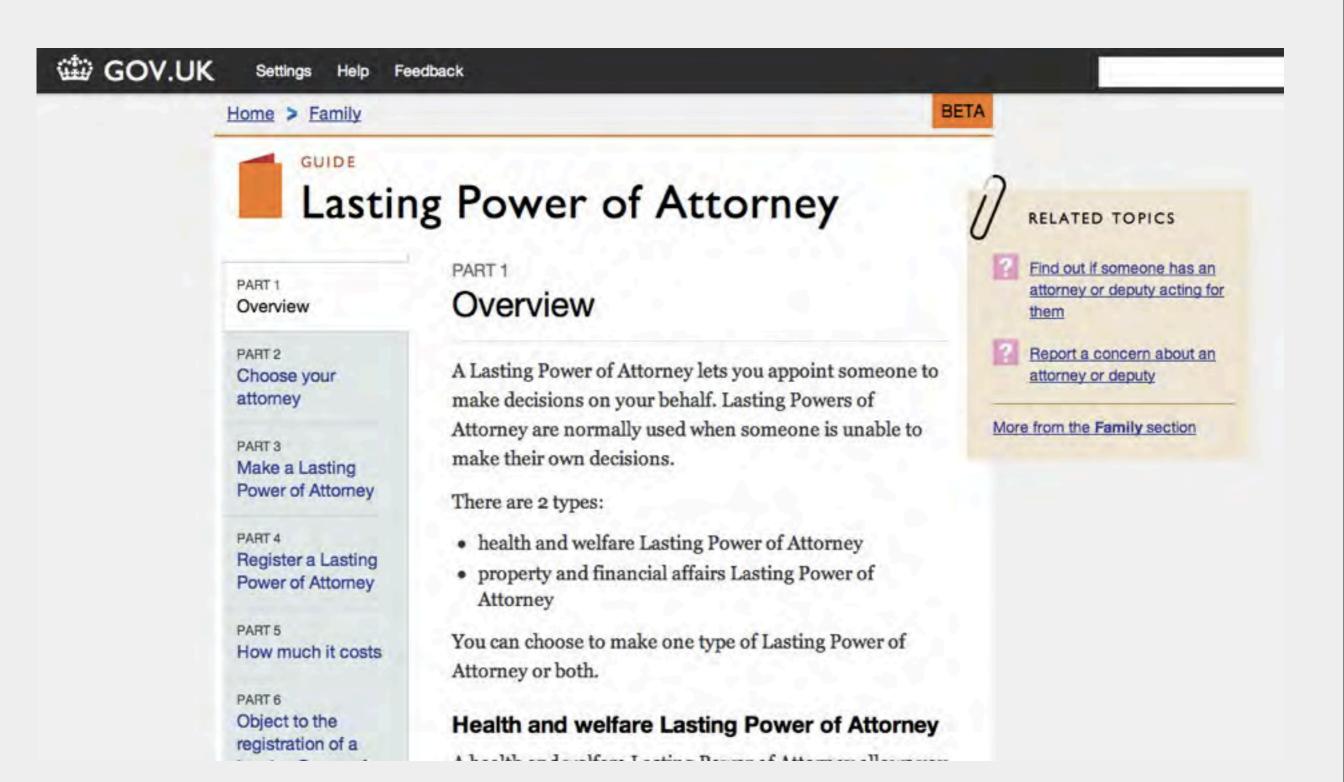
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Bank holidays and British Summer Time



Bank holidays are holidays when banks and many other businesses are closed for the day. Public holidays are holidays which have been observed through custom and practice. Find out about the bank and public holiday dates and when the clocks go forward and back for British Summer Time.

Bank and public holidays in England and Wales

England and Wales	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
New Year's Day	3 January*	2 January*	1 January	1 January	1 January
Good Friday	22 April	6 April	29 March	18 April	3 April
Easter Monday	25 April	9 April	1 April	21 April	6 April
Royal wedding	29 April		4		-
Early May Bank Holiday	2 May	7 May	6 May	5 May	4 May
Spring Bank Holiday	30 May	4 June*	27 May	26 May	25 May
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Summer Bank Holiday	29 August	27 August	26 August	25 August	31 August
Christmas Day	26 December*	25 December	25 December	25 December	25 December
Boxing Day	27 December*	26 December	26 December	26 December	28 December*

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UK bank holidays

These are the dates of UK bank holidays for 2012 and 2013.

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Scotland

Northern Ireland

The next bank holiday in England and Wales is:

Christmas Day

25 December

2012 bank holidays in England and Wales

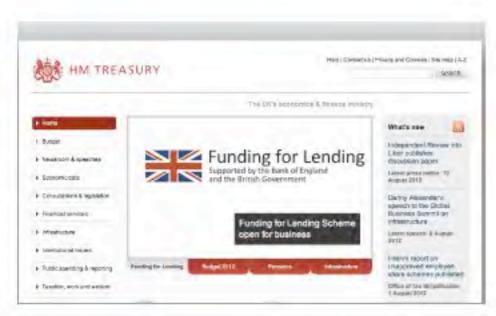
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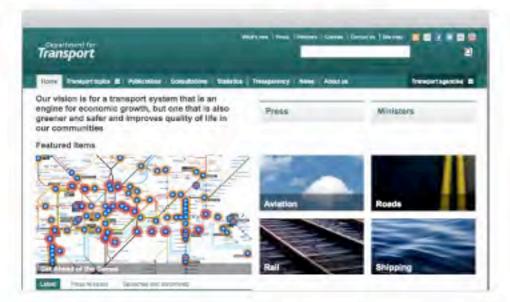
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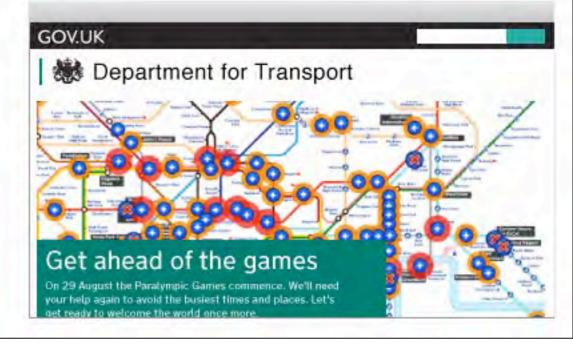












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Statutory Maternity Pay



To help you to take time off work before and after your baby is born, you may be able to get Statutory Maternity Pay (SMP). This is a weekly payment from your employer. Find out who can get SMP and how to claim.

Who can get SMP?

To qualify for SMP you must have been:

- employed by the same employer continuously for at least 26 weeks into the 15th week before the week your baby is due (the qualifying week)
- earning on average an amount which at least equals the lower earnings limit which applies on the Saturday at the end of your qualifying week

The lower earnings limit is the amount you have to earn before you are treated as paying National Insurance contributions. This is £102 a week if the end of your qualifying week is in the 2011-12 tax year.

If you have a visa that allows you to live and work in the United Kingdom you may be able to get SMP. If your visa includes the condition that you have "no recourse to public funds" you may still get SMP provided you satisfy the qualifying conditions. The qualifying conditions for SMP depend on your recent employment and earnings history. Because of this SMP does not constitute public funds.

Please read 'Statutory Maternity Pay - eligibility' for more information.

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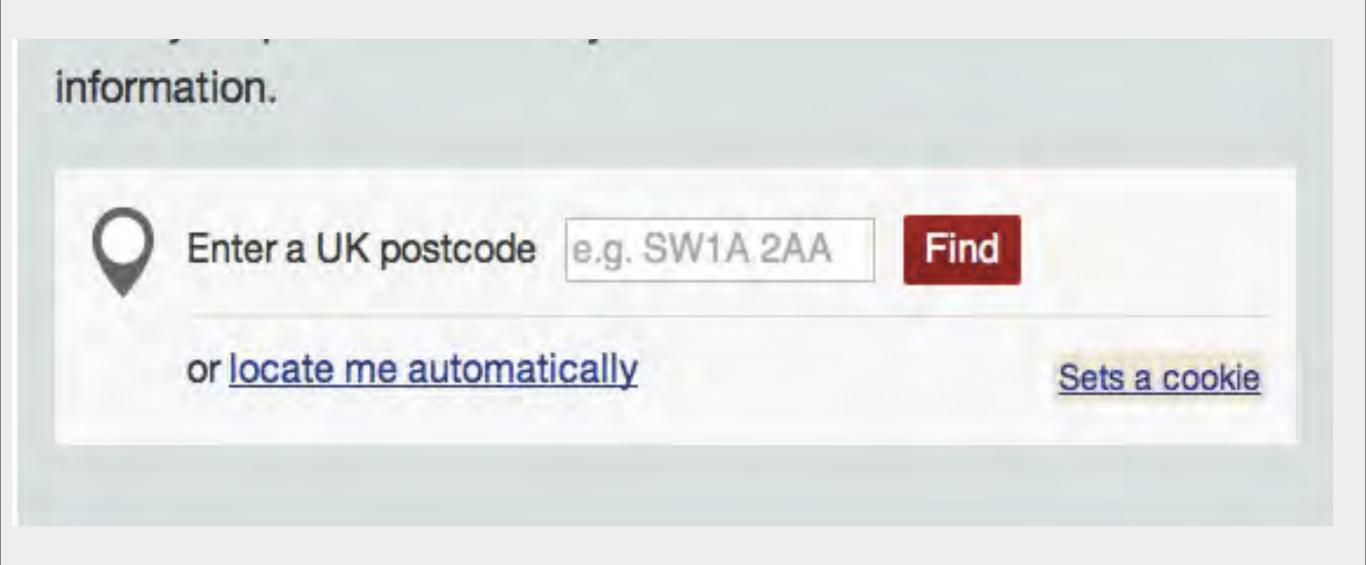
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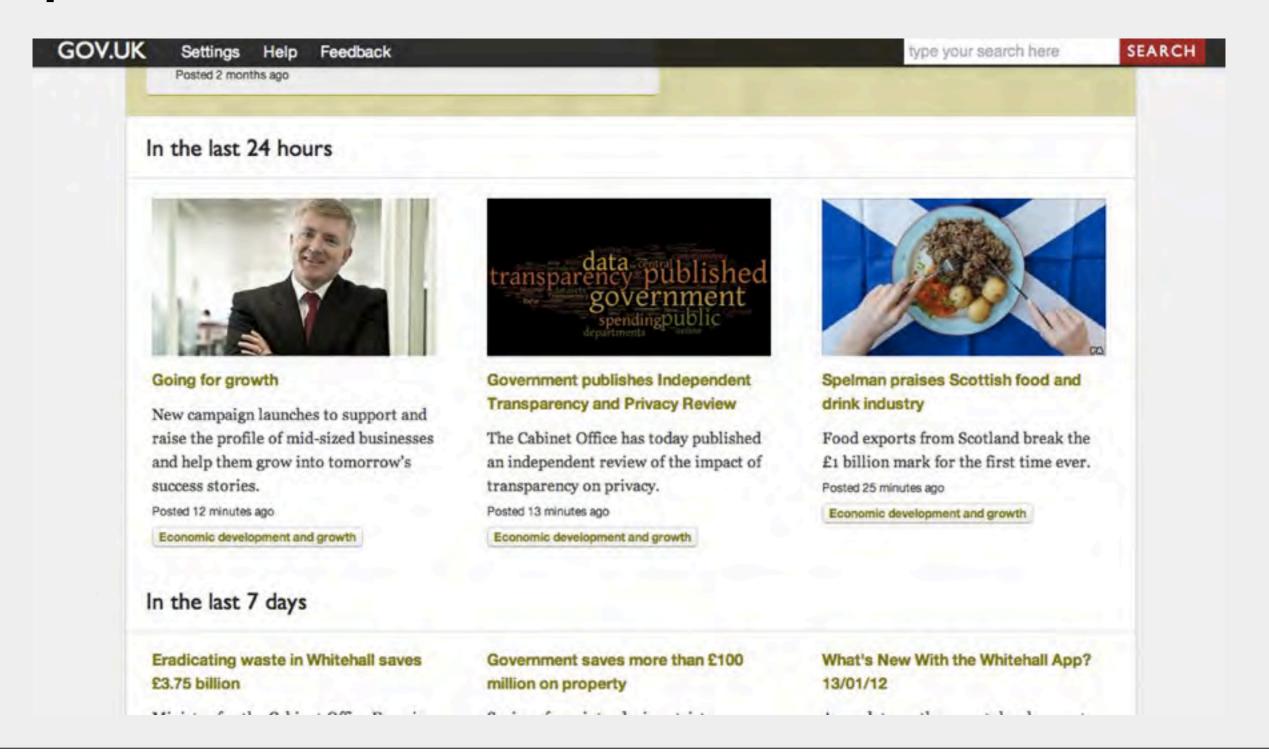
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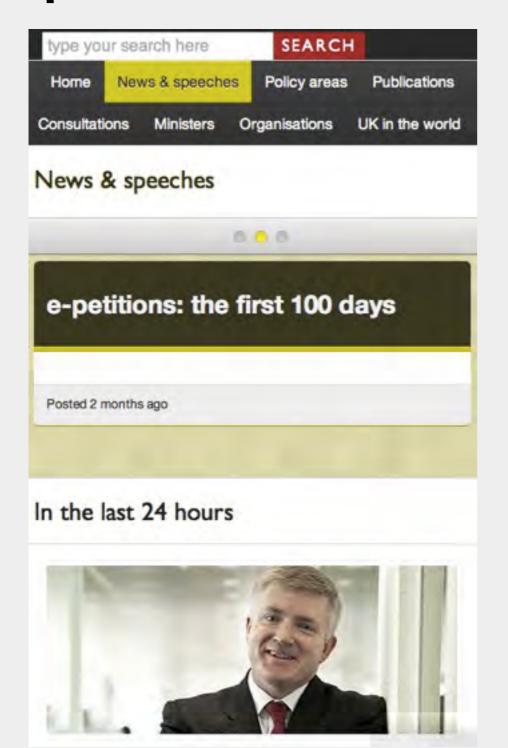
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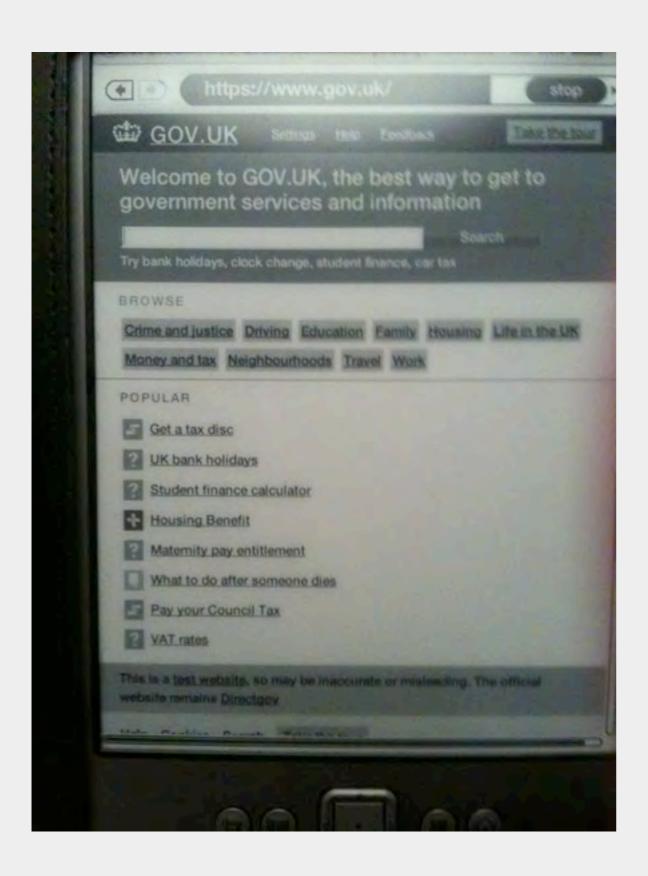
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Keeping bees



Bees play an important part in the natural world a grown food crops. The number of bees has been a survival rates by providing plants for them to feed

Why do bees need help?

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Parents

Guarding children against trips and falls



Every year over 390,000 children under the agreementing from a fall at home or in the garden. lead to injuries with long term consequences. help your child avoid a serious injury.

In the home - general safety tips

- bunk and cabin beds are not suitable for children under six if you play on the top bunk
- use safety glass in glass doors and windows or cover the panes with being seriously cut if they trip or fall into the glass

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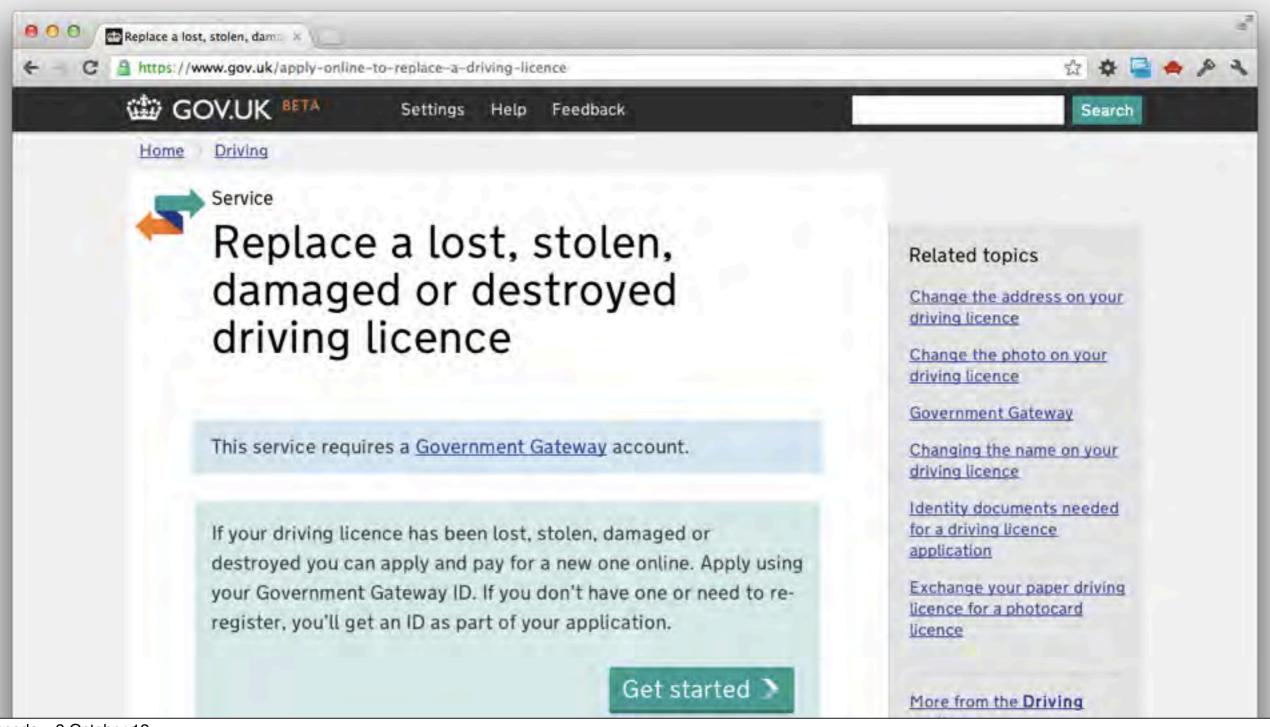


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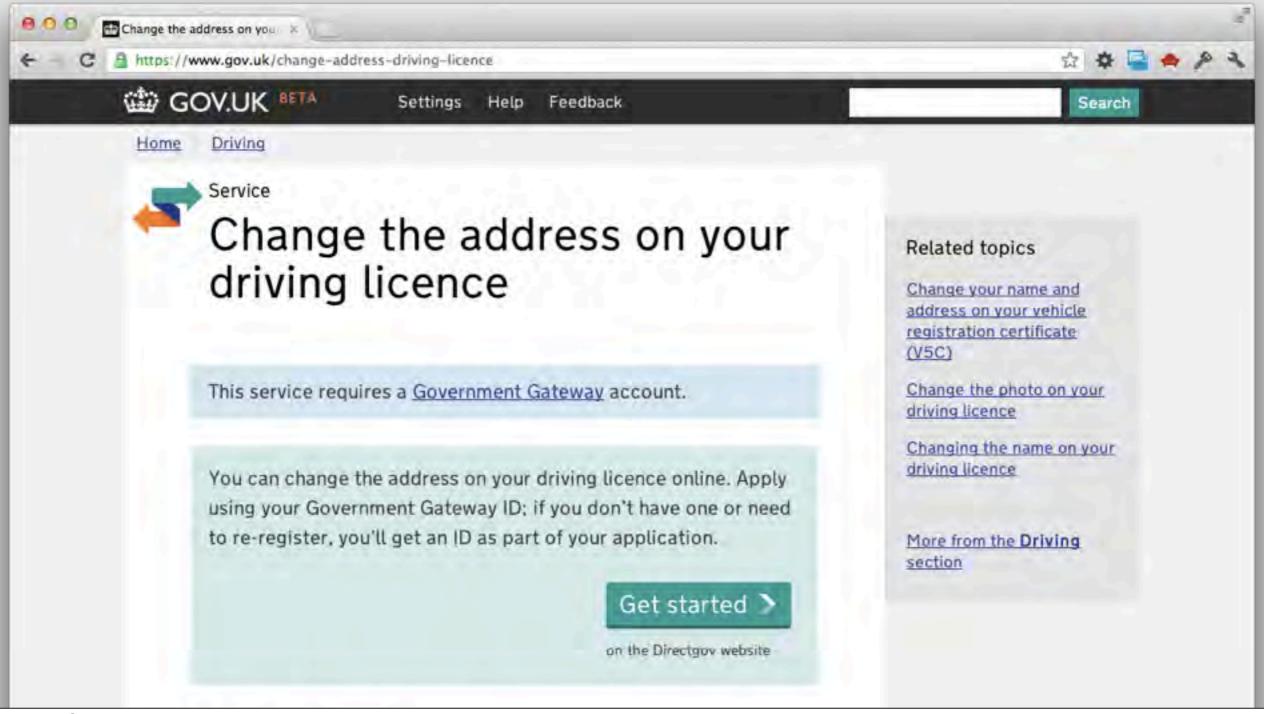
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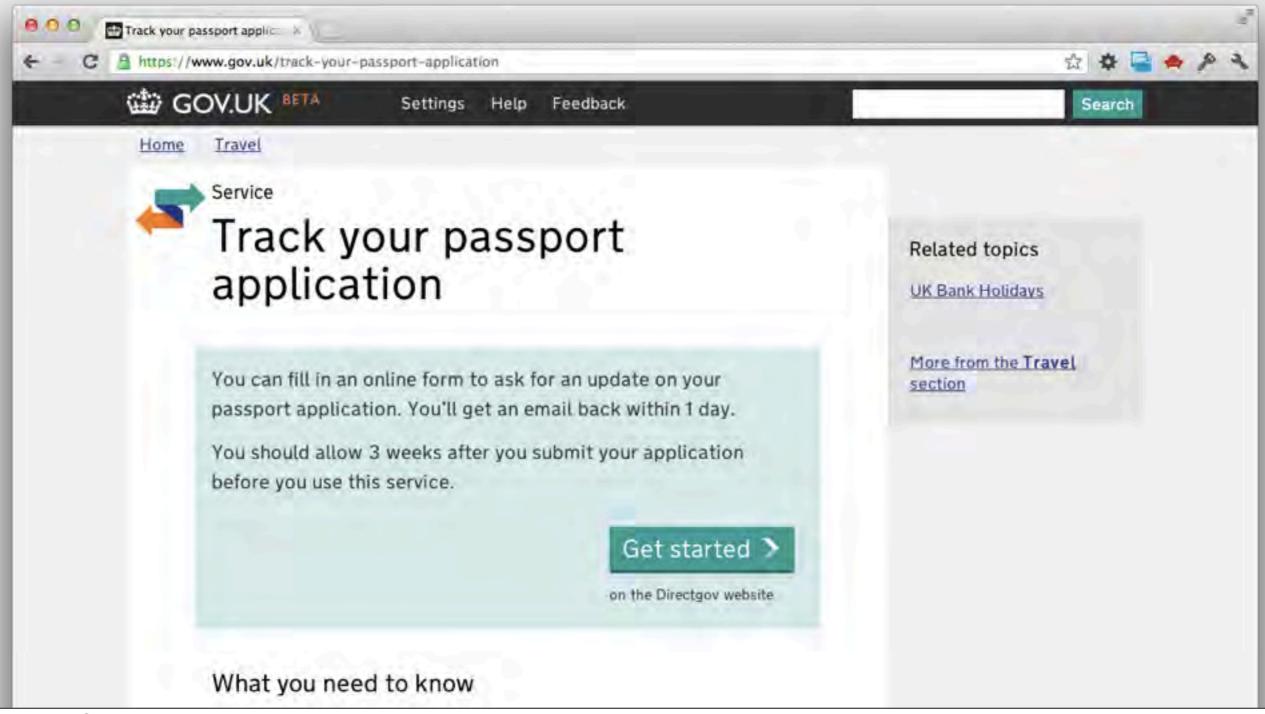
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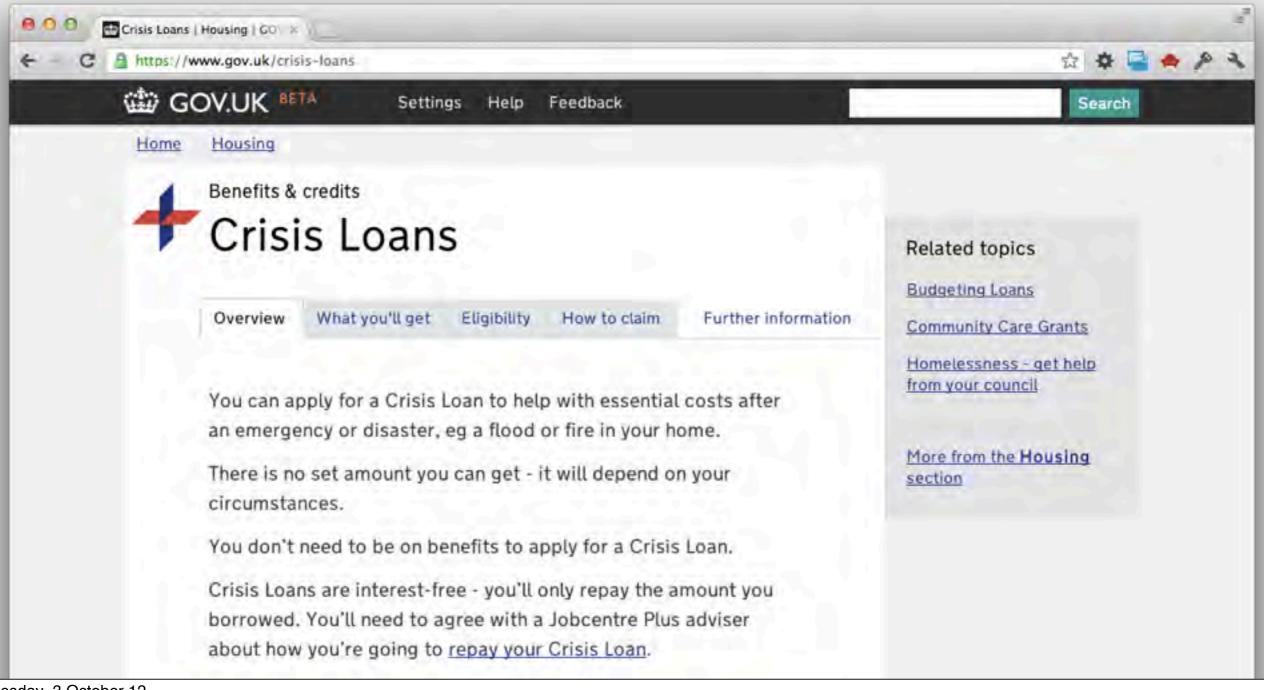
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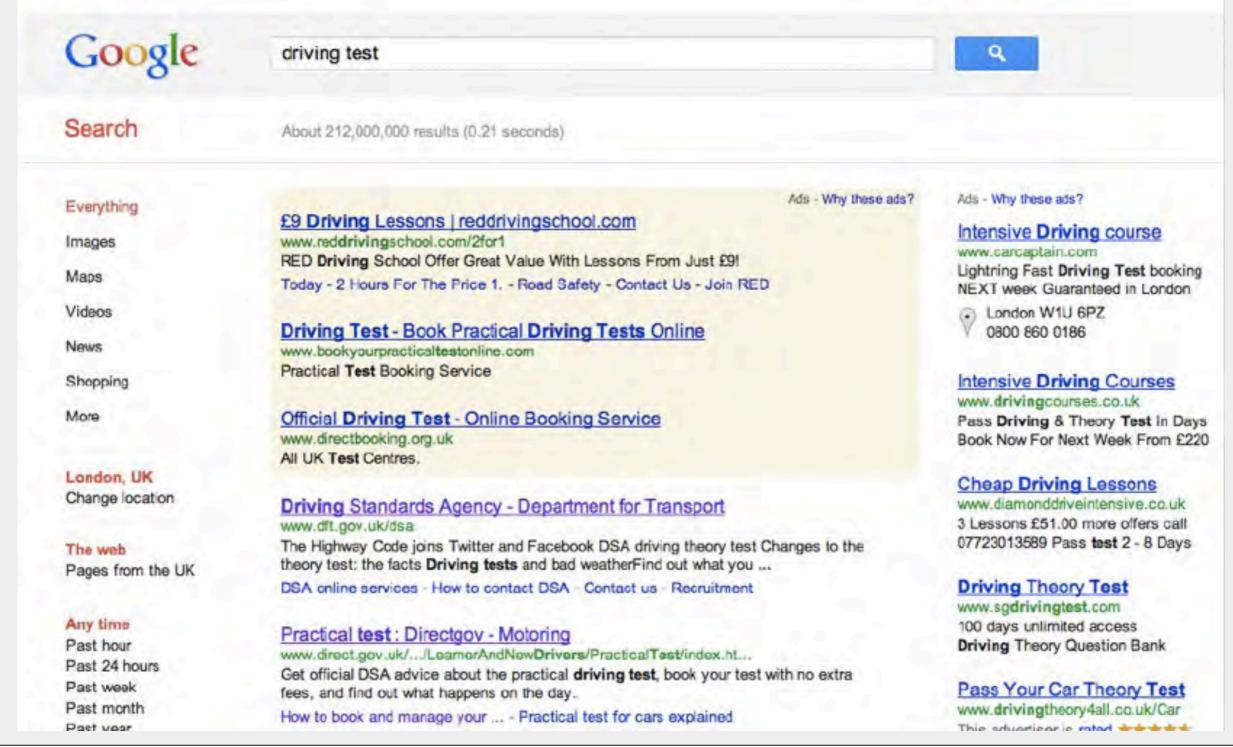


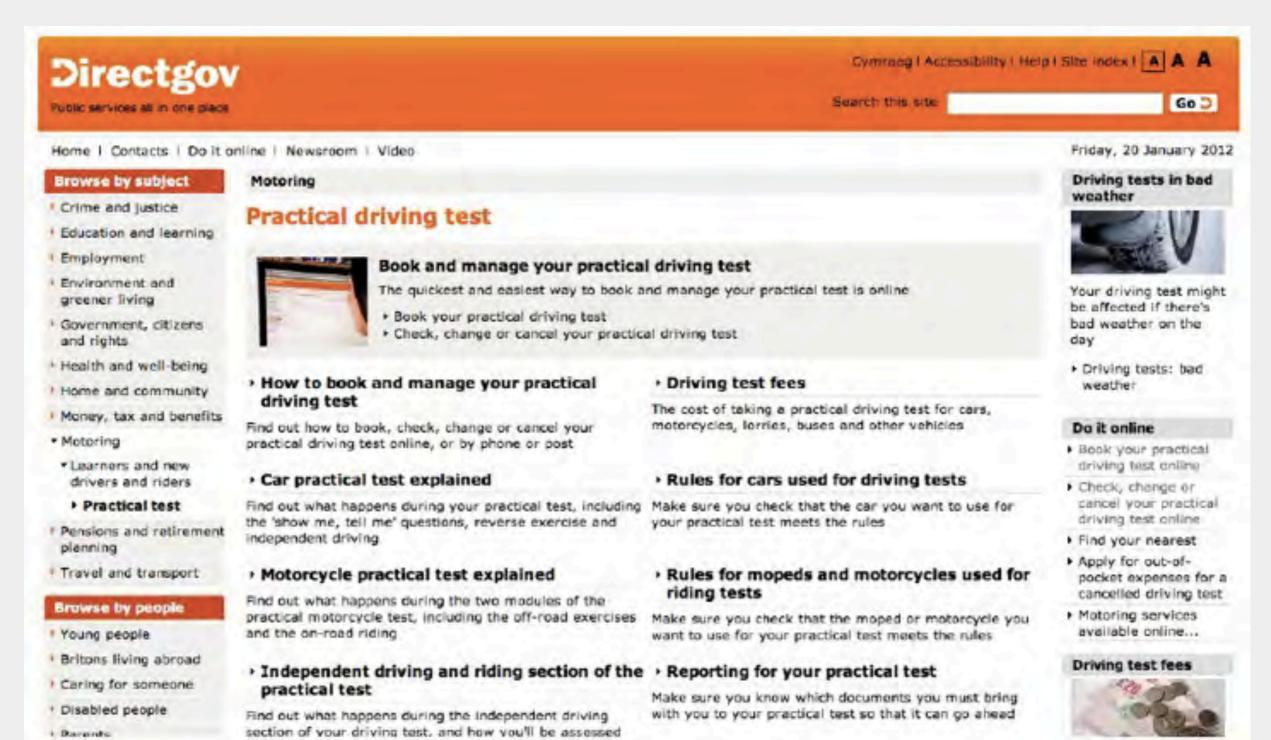
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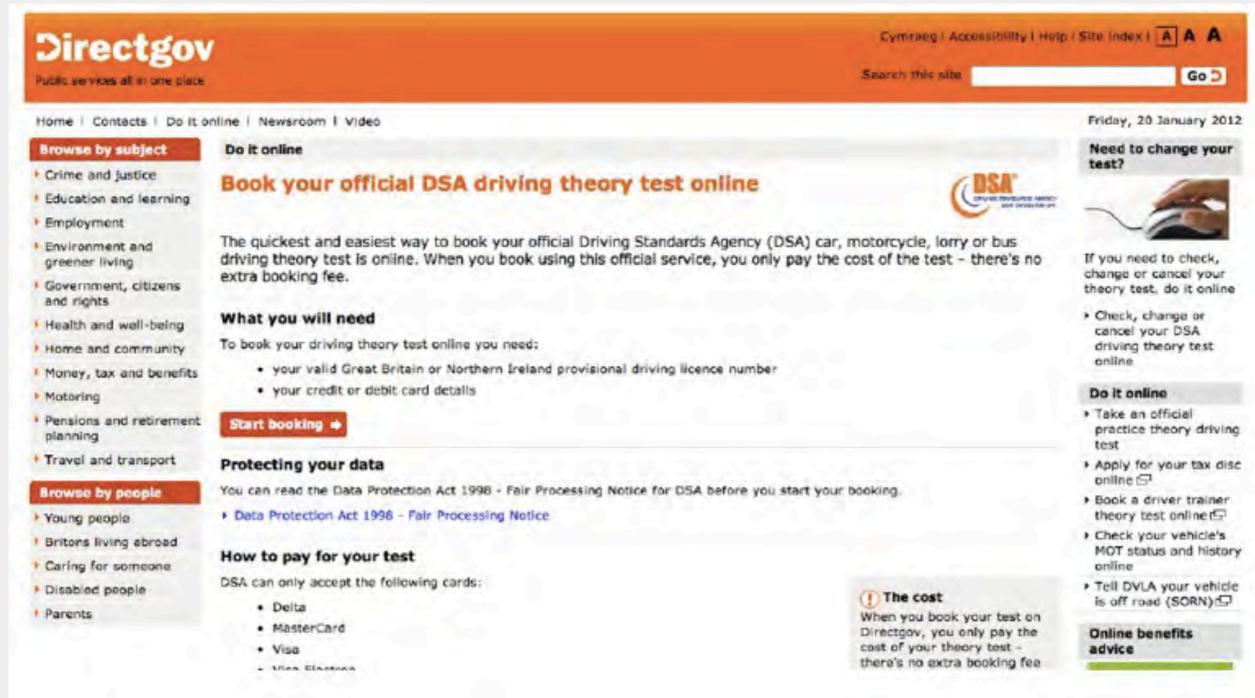


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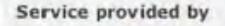








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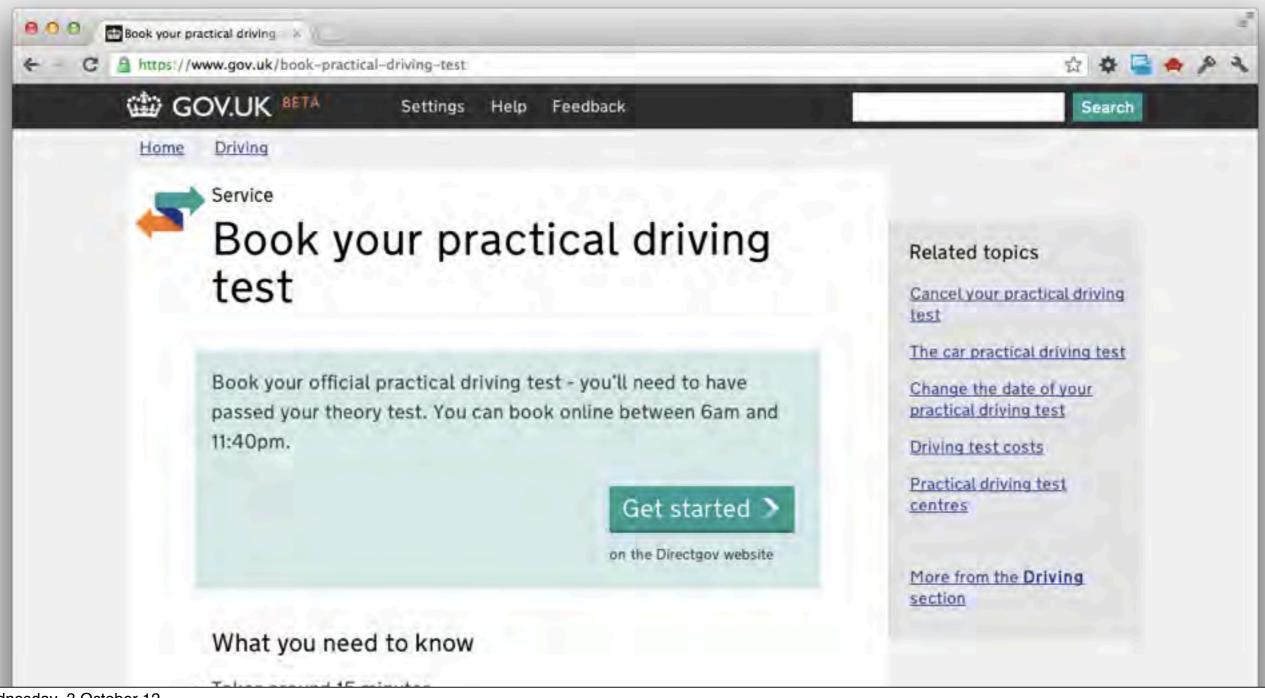
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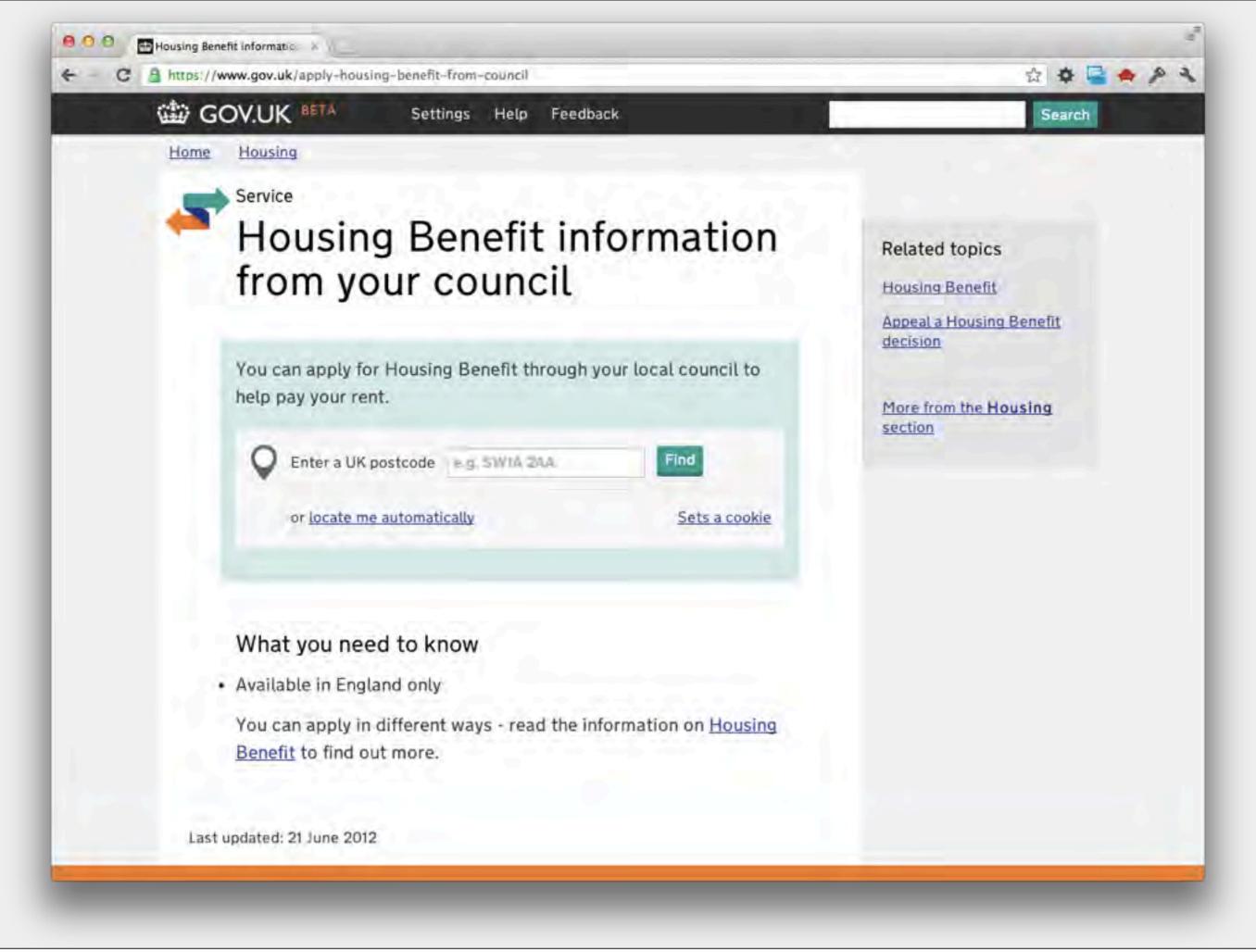
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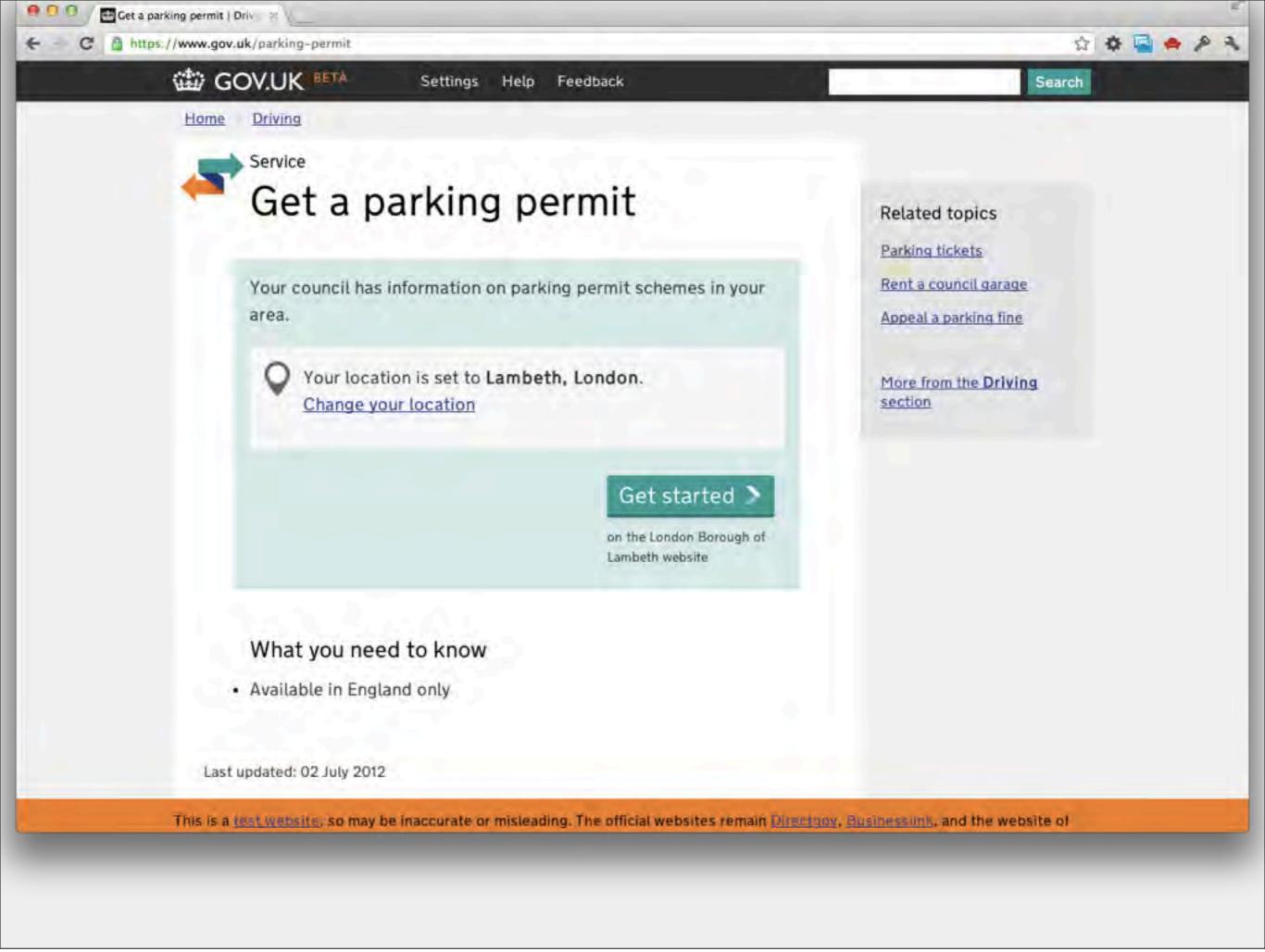


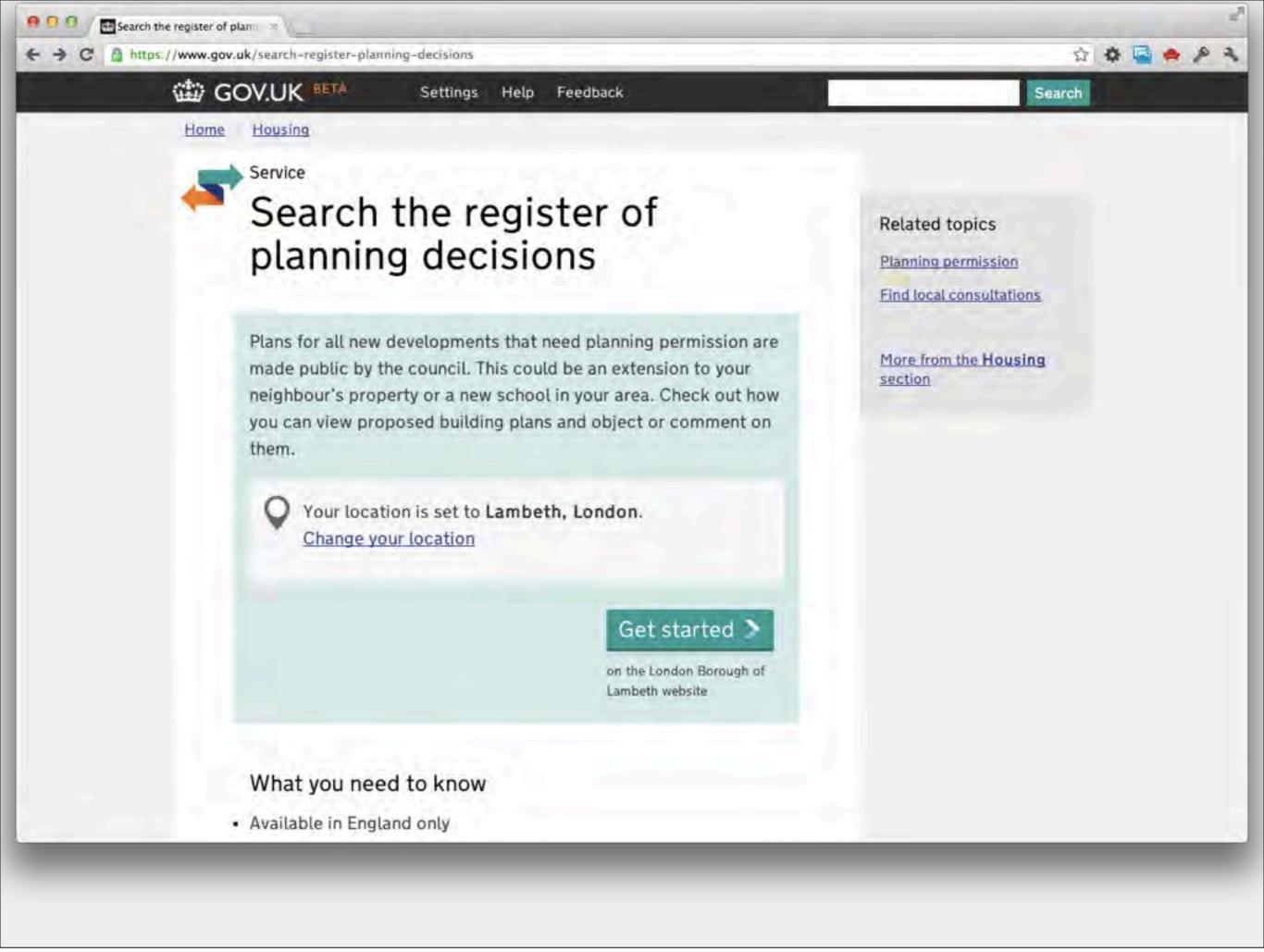
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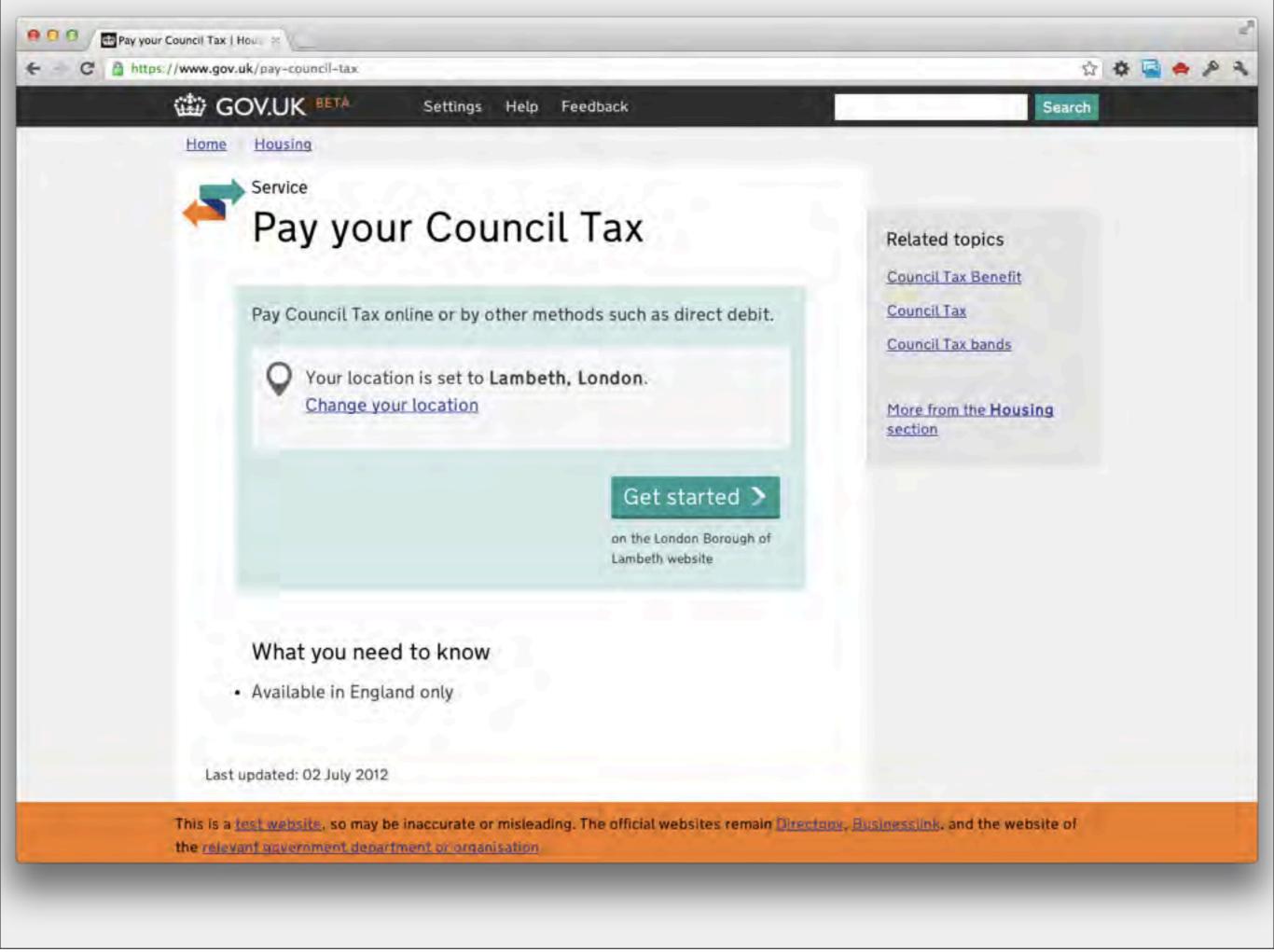
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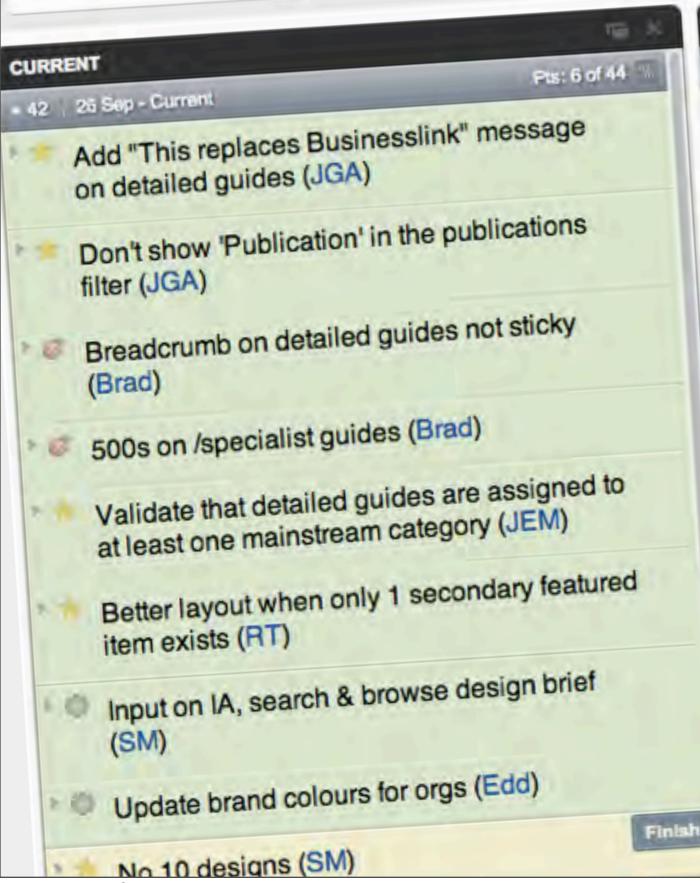


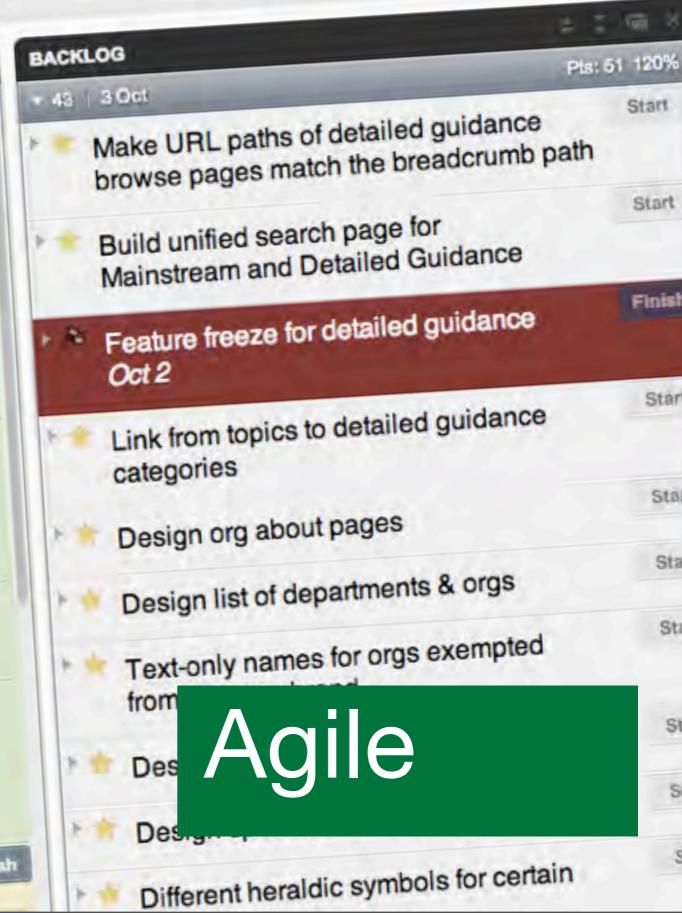
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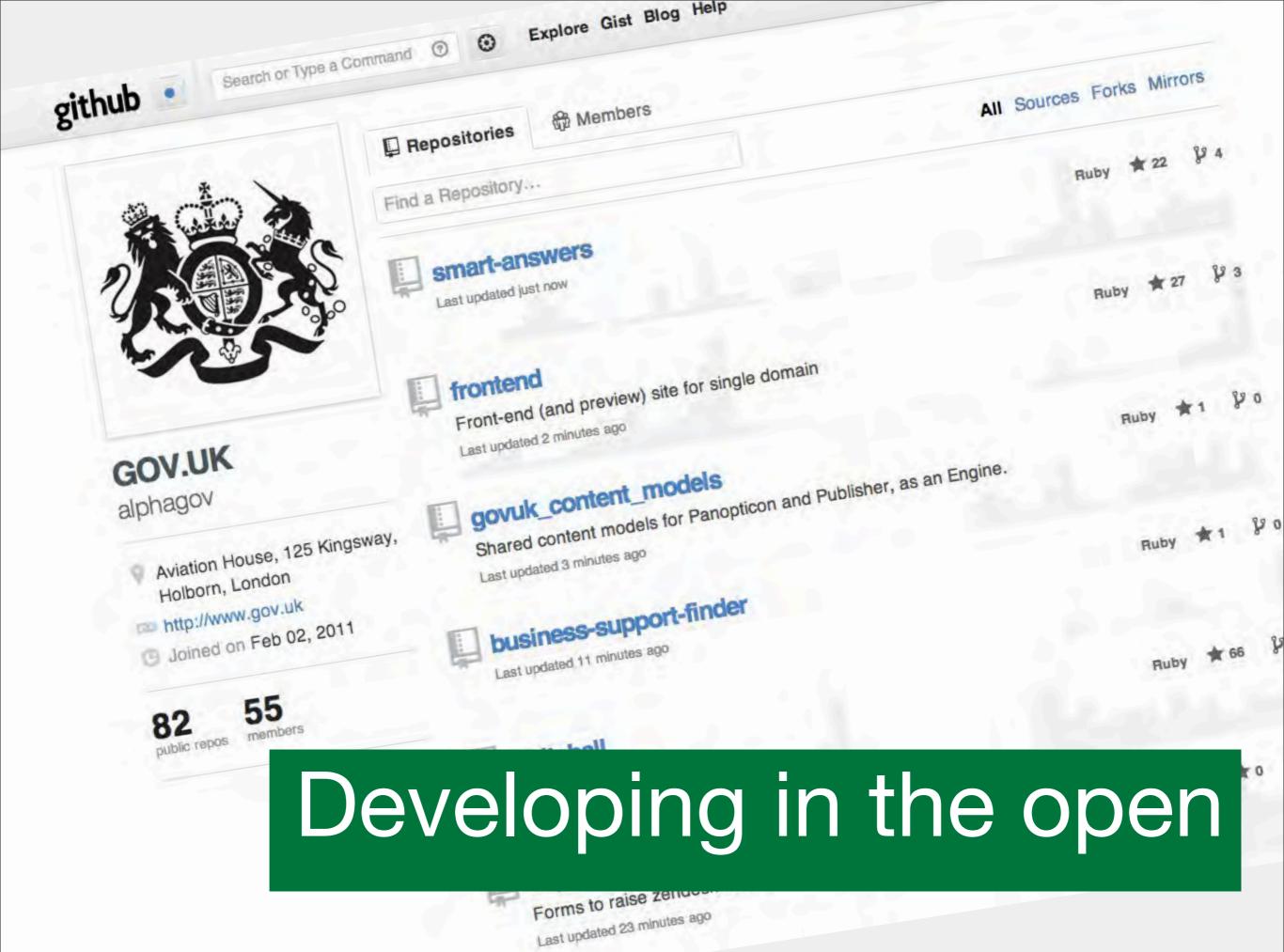
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