ukgovcamp

Session: 5
Room: Committee Room 2

Session title : Maintain a register of government services and Make a platform for government events

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Volunteer to continue conversation after :

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Notes

This is a list of government services.

govuk-services-list.x-govuk.org - gradually being decorated by meta-data - about 25% of the services have open source data.

Note - your browser might not let you visit the site as it has been reported as deceptive.

Currently the list is maintained in a vague community fashion and the question was how to use the site.

There was a discussion about incentivising users to fill in details of their services - talk about how Open Mapping do it. Also mention of getting the Daily Mail to take an interest and get political pressure.

It's built on github and has a barrier to use amongst some of the user base.

A register of services was made a 'requirement' in some Service Reports but people don't implement them.

A suggestion was made to make it mandatory - and writing draft legislation to make it compulsory.

Suggestion of defining roles of people who have a corporate job to update the systems - and publish a job description so that hiring for the role of maintaining data should be done.

There are a set of patterns for collaboration published at collaberative-data.theodi.org

There are problems with a x-govuk domain that means it's reported as spam/deceptive/phishing, so if you get the chance send a report that it is not a phishing site.

Suggestions as to how to help:
- a person who might want to do an Information Architecture job would be very welcome ;-)
- perhaps submit to a hackathon?
- do a presentation to the uk cross government software engineering community - uk-x-gov-software-community.github.io
- consider the documentation at https://collaborative-data.theodi.org/