# Package 'alluseful'

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**Description** This is a personal package created to contain all the useful elements I need for effective coding. It contains functions to set up my rstudio IDE how I like, personalised themes, templates for scripts, packages etc. It is not intended for distribution or use by anyone else.

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add\_editor\_fonts

add my custom fonts to the editor selection

### **Description**

Adds my custom fonts (all open source) to the editor UI

#### Usage

```
add_editor_fonts(dash = TRUE)
```

### **Arguments**

dash

logical, default TRUE. If TRUE uses .config file on DASH RStudio server, else uses windows.

#### Value

fonts added to UI

### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

add\_proj\_files

Add default project files to an existing project/repo

### **Description**

Simple function to add the standard project files to an existing R Project or local GitHub Repo. This should be used when setting up a new project after initial set up - particularly useful for if you have just cloned a new GitHub repo and want to add the template project files.

### Usage

```
add_proj_files(
  path = here::here(),
  title = "Project title",
  readme = "github",
  gitignore = TRUE
)
```

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### **Arguments**

path	string containing file path to add files. Default is current directory (set using here())
title	string with project title. If no title provided, defaults to "Project title"
readme	string specifying readme format. One of "github", "markdown" or "html". Default is "github"
github	logical controlling whether a gitignore is added. Default is TRUE

### **Details**

The function is designed to be used after manually creating a local version of a GitHub repo.

The function will add the following:

- data, src and outputs folders
- README using create\_fs\_readme
- pipeline script using create\_fs\_script
- optionally creates a gitignore using create\_fs\_gitignore

The function allows users to include the author and project title when calling the function, which will be prefilled

### Value

project files added to specified directory

### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

add_	themes	Add my rstudio themes

## Description

Function to add my rstudio themes from within this package.

### Usage

```
add_themes()
```

### Value

themes added to the rstudio api

#### Author(s)

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connect\_github\_pat

Connect RStudio to your GitHub account via PAT

#### **Description**

This is a simple function which connect RStudio to GitHub, allowing you to work on GitHub repositories. This is an essential part of Reproducible Analytical Pipelines and best practice for coding.

### Usage

```
connect_github_pat(defra = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

defra

default TRUE. If TRUE will set the defra proxy in the terminal (needed for linking to github)

#### Details

This is a simple function which will set you GitHub credentials and Personal Access Token (PAT) and connect RStudio to GitHub. This is essential if you want to work in RStudio in projects/repos stored on GitHub.

It uses system() to run the necessary code in the terminal to set your credentials, and uses gitcreds\_set() and set\_github\_pat() from the gitcreds and credentials packages to connect your RStudio to GitHub.

gitcreds\_set() is an interactive function and will prompt users for input. To replace existing credentials/PAT choose option 2. You will then be prompted for you PAT. PAT should be changed every 30 days to ensure security.

An additional feature I have added, not mentioned in the Defra instructions is to add the <code>set\_github\_pat()</code> function call to your .Rprofile. This will ensure your PAT is set for every R session, meaning you wont need to provide your PAT when running functions such as <code>install\_github()</code> from the devtools package.

Note: For this function to work you must:

- · have git installed on your local machine
- · have a GitHub account
- have created a Personal Access Token (PAT) on GitHub.

Guidance on how to create a PAT can be found here: ADD LINK.

### Value

GitHub credentials and PAT set

#### Author(s)

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connect\_github\_ssh

Connect RStudio to your GitHub account using a SSH

#### **Description**

Connect RStudio to your GitHub account using SSH - this is the preferred method of connecting RStudio and GitHub on the DASH platform. The function is set up to use my username and email address, using these to set my credentials and generate an SSH key. Once the SSH key has been added to GitHub, the function does the final bits of set-up. All steps and outputs are printed in the RStudio console rather than the terminal, which offers a more user friendly experience.

### Usage

```
connect_github_ssh()
```

#### **Details**

The suggested method for connecting RStudio and GitHub on the DASH platform is via SSH. The alternative is via Personal Access Token, but this method can be a bit clunky and frustrating on the DASH platform. With SSH providing a much smoother user experience.

This function is designed to simplify the connection process and avoid the me having to interact with the terminal. Instead, all prompts and outputs are returned in the RStudio console.

The function will set my username and email then print an output to confirm they have been set. The function will then create a hidden SSH folder and sub-folder for "id\_ed25519" (~/.ssh/id\_ed25519). Once done, it will then generate an SSH key and save it to this folder. The SSH key will then be printed in the console. The function then adds GitHub as a known host.

At this point, the function pauses and asks the for confirmation that the SSH key has been added to GitHub. Now I can then copy the SSH key from the console, go to GitHub -> settings -> SSH and GPG keys and add the SSH key.

Once added, the I can respond to the prompt and the function will finish establishing the connection. If all works as expected, the message "Hi jpmoatt! You've successfully authenticated, but GitHub does not provide shell access" will be printed in the console.

### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

create\_gitignore

Create a gitignore file based on the my template

### **Description**

Use this function to create a gitignore for a project.

#### Usage

```
create_gitignore(type = "default", file_path = NULL, custom_txt = NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

type description controlling which gitignore is added. "default" will add the standard template. "custom" will enable the user to provide a custom template via

custom\_txt.

file\_path optional argument allowing users to specify file path where gitignore should be

created. If not entered, will default to current project/working directory.

custom\_txt optional argument allowing users to provide their own gitignore template. Must

be provided as a string. Only used if type set to "custom".

#### **Details**

This function will create a gitignore for a project using a pre-defined template.

Used as default, it will automatically add the data and output folders (as created in the project template). This is to ensure nor restricted data or unpublished results are accidentally pushed to GitHub.

Alternatively, a custom gitignore can be provided by setting type to "custom" and providing a custom template to custom\_txt as a string.

Note it will replace any existing .gitignore files present in the project already.

#### Value

A gitignore file is added to the project.

#### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

create\_readme

Create a README using my template

#### **Description**

Use this function to create a README for a project.

### Usage

```
create_readme(
  format = c("markdown", "github", "html"),
  file_path = NULL,
  readme_title = NULL
)
```

### **Arguments**

format controls the output format of the README. Default is "markdown", but can be

"html" or "github".

file\_path sting containing file path where README will be saved.

readme\_title string containing README title. If no string provided will be set to "README

(edit title)".

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#### **Details**

This function will create a README for a project using a pre-defined template. The function will create a Quarto (.qmd) file and do a first render producing a desired output.

The output type can be controlled using the format option (default is markdown). Can also be html or github (gfm).

#### Value

Output is a .qmd file containing the desired README template and an initial render of the README in the desired output.

#### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

create\_script

Create a new script with my header.

### **Description**

This function will create a new script with my header added.

### Usage

```
create_script(
  file_name = NULL,
  file_path = NULL,
  project = NULL,
  date = format(Sys.Date(), "%d/%m/%Y")
)
```

### **Arguments**

file\_name string containing desired name for script.

file\_path string containing folder name to save script. This is built on the here function in

R, so will follow your root directory. If you want to save in a sub-folder, enter

the full folder sequence, e.g. "folder/sub-folder".

date string containing a date. By default, this will be set as today's date.

### Value

An R script will be saved in the root directory or in the specified folder.

#### Author(s)

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lighttheme\_addin

Apply my rstudio themes via addins

### Description

Addins to apply my rstudio themes

### Usage

```
lighttheme_addin()
kisstheme_addin()
draculatheme_addin()
cobalttheme_addin()
```

#### Value

themes added to the rstudio api

### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

proj\_template

Create RStudio project template

### Description

This is a function that is called in the "New project" viewer pane when the user chooses the useful project template. It should not be used away from the RStudio "New project" viewer.

I have not included additional information on how to use this function, as it is not intended to be used outside the template call.

To subsequently link this to a github repo, the best plan is to use use\_github().

### Usage

```
proj_template(path, ...)
```

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roxygen\_addin

Addin to open new script with roxygen template

### **Description**

This addin will open a new blank R script which is populated with a standard roxygen header.

#### Usage

```
roxygen_addin()
```

#### **Details**

This addin will create a new blank script that is populated with standard roxygen header.

Addins must use the rstudioapi package. This addin uses the documentNew() function from the rstudioapi package to open the new R script.

Note: this opens an normal untitled script. It must be manually saved in the correct directory.

#### Value

A script will open in RStudio.

#### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

script\_addin

Addin to open new script with my template

### **Description**

This addin will open a new blank R script which is populated with my header.

### Usage

```
script_addin()
```

#### **Details**

This addin will create a new blank script that is populated with my template header.

Addins must use the rstudioapi package. This addin uses the documentNew() function from the rstudioapi package to open the new R script.

Note: this opens an normal untitled script. It must be manually saved in the correct directory.

### Value

A script will open in RStudio.

#### Author(s)

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setup\_rstudio

Apply my preferred RStudio settings and layout.

### **Description**

This function will change the settings and layout of RStudio to my usual preferences. This has the source pane on the left, the console and terminal on the top right and all others on the bottom right. It also applies my usual global options (E.g. rainbow brackets, hexcode preview on etc).

### Usage

```
setup_rstudio(font)
```

### **Arguments**

font

string containing name of font to load. Need to refresh the browser window for font change to take effect.

#### Value

RStudio configured to my settings

#### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

set\_console\_prompt

Add my R console prompt.

### **Description**

Function to change the R console prompt from default to one of two custom options. Either a themed emoji and the git branch, or just the git branch. This can be set at the user level or the project level.

### Usage

```
set_console_prompt(scope = c("user", "project"), prompt = c("emoji", "git"))
```

#### **Arguments**

scope string. "user" sets the prompt globally, "project" sets it just for the active project.

prompt string. "emoji" sets the prompt to be a themed emoji and git branch (if active)

or "git" sets it to the active git branch.

### Value

Altered R prompt

#### Author(s)

set\_proj\_pat

set\_proj\_pat

Add set\_github\_pat() to project specific .Rprofiles

#### **Description**

A simple function to add the credentials::set\_github\_pat() function call to your project specific .Rprofile. This is needed for projects where renv is activated, so you can avoid hardcoding your PAT anywhere. See connect\_github\_pat for full details and reasoning behind this function.

#### Usage

```
set_proj_pat()
```

#### Value

updated .Rprofile

#### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

set\_script\_template

Create an default R script template.

#### **Description**

This function can be used to create a default R script template. All scripts opened from this point will have this template applied as a header.

## Usage

```
set_script_template(
  format = c("mine", "manual_edit", "blank"),
  template = NULL,
  dash = TRUE
)
```

### **Arguments**

format what format the template will take. There are four options: "mine" (my de-

fault template), "custom" will apply a custom template (provided as a string), "manual\_edit" will open the template so you can manually edit the template, and "blank" can be used to remove all pre-existing templates. Note: manual edit

can also be used to edit existing templates.

template default is NULL, only used if format = "custom". Used to provide custom tem-

plate design. Must be provided as a string. Must be provided if using format =

"custom" or the function will return an error.

dash default is FALSE. If TRUE changes the file path to the one needed for the RStu-

dio server on DASH

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#### **Details**

This function is used to create a new template for R scripts. This will be the default that all subsequent R scripts opened will contain. By doing this is it should be easier to follow best practice and properly comment all scripts you create.

The default is stored in the appdata folder on your c drive: "~/AppData/Roaming/RStudio". It will create a "templates" folder where the default will be stored.

The function has various ways it can work which will give you the ability to create whatever header template you wish. It has four ways formatting options:

- mine
- · custom
- manual\_edit
- · blank

"mine" will pre-load the default script with my template.

"custom" will allow you to provide your own custom template as a string, which will then be added to the default.

"manual" will allow you to manually edit the default template. It will open it in your R studio window and manual edits can be saved. Note, this can also be used to tweak a pre-existing template (e.g. to add your name and email to all scripts).

"blank" will delete the default R script and template. This returns R back to normal, and any script opened subsequently will be blank.

#### Value

New .R file created containing the script template

#### Author(s)

Josh Moatt

use\_github

Create a GitHub repository from local project.

#### **Description**

This simple function will turn your local R project into a git repo, then create a repo on GitHub and perform the initial set up and commit.

By default it will create a private repo on the Defra-Data-Science-Centre-of-Excellence organisation on GitHub. You can change where the repo is created using the defra\_org argument and change the repo visibility using the visibility argument when calling the function.

Note: this function requires you to have a PAT and to have set this in your RStudio environment, even if connecting via SSH. This is because a PAT is required to create new repos, even when using SSH. See usethis::use\_github for more details.

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#### Usage

```
use_github(
  message = "Initial commit",
  defra_org = TRUE,
  visibility = "private",
   github_method = "ssh"
)
```

#### **Arguments**

message initial commit message. Default is "Initial commit".

defra\_org logical, default is TRUE. Whether the repo should be created under the Defra-Data-Science-Centre-of-Excellence (TRUE) or a personal repo (FALSE).

visibility string controlling visibility. One of "private" (default), "internal" or "public". If defra\_org is FALSE repos can only be private or public. When "internal" used when defra\_org is FALSE, a private repo will be created.

github\_method sting specifying GitHub connection method. One of "ssh" or "https". By default, the function uses "ssh" as this is the recommended connection method on the DASH platform.

#### **Details**

This function will take an existing R project on you local machine, turn it into a git repo and create a GitHub repository.

By default it will create a private repo on the Defra-Data-Science-Centre-of-Excellence organisation on GitHub. This can be changed using the defra\_org argument.

The function will do the following:

- · add a gitignore
- initalise the git repo
- · stage any uncommitted files
- · commit the files
- · create a GitHub repo
- restart RStudio to activate the git pane in R

The gitignore is added using the create\_fs\_gitignore() function within this package.

The repo initialisation, staging and committing is all done using the gert package.

Creating the GitHub repo uses the use\_github() function from the usethis package.

By default the function will create a private repo. There are three options controlled by the visibility argument:

- · private
- internal
- public

For the differences between these options, see GitHub. Internal is only an option when creating a repo within the Defra organisation. If createing a personal repo with visibility set to "internal", this will create a private repo.

For this function to work you must:

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- have git installed on your machine
- have a GitHub account
- have your GitHub credentials entered into RStudio
- have your Personal Access Token (PAT) entered in RStudio

Note: occasionally the function seems to fails to set the master branch and users are unable to push changes. If this happens try running git push -u origin master in the terminal, this should set you current branch as the master. We're not sure why this happens, but it is advisable to use fs\_connect\_github() to set your credentials properly before trying this function.

#### Value

R project is turned into a git repo and an associated github repo si created in the users github account.

### Author(s)

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