

Development Tools

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Visual C++ 6

*Setting up VC6 and BNCS script projects to build
HTML Help Workshop help files.*

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1 Install HTML Help Workshop

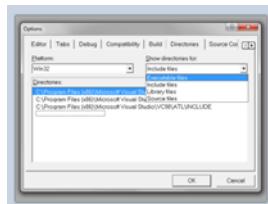
1.1 Download link

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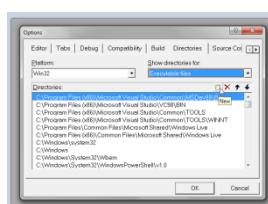
2 Set the path for HHW in VC6



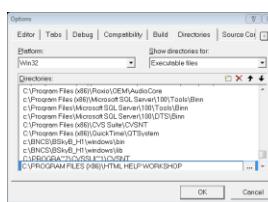
Launch VC6
Tools → Options



Directories → Show directories for ↓ Executable files



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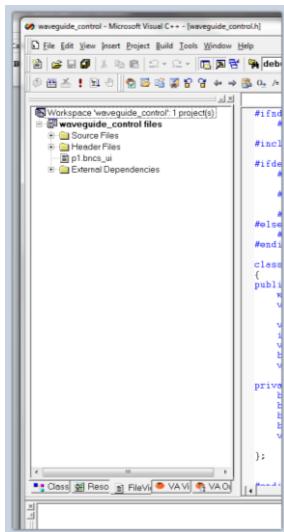
Type in path or use '...' to browse to folder for HTML Help Workshop
Select OK

VC6 now has access to HTML Help Workshop

3 Add Help files to folder in your VC6 Workspace

Open your project Workspace, select 'File View'

Expand the tree view

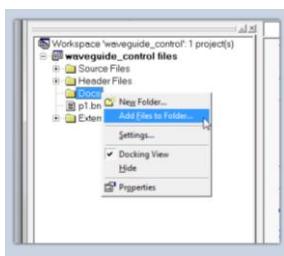


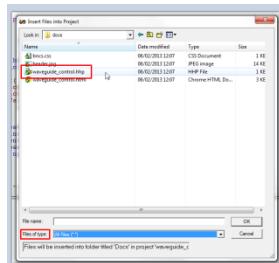
Right click on the '<project name> files' branch and select 'New Folder...'

Give it a suitable name like 'Docs'



Right click your new folder and select 'Add Files to Folder...'



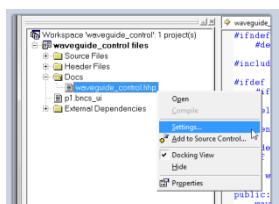


Navigate to the Docs folder within your project directory

Select 'All Files' for the 'Files of type:'

Find the '<project name>.hhp' file and select

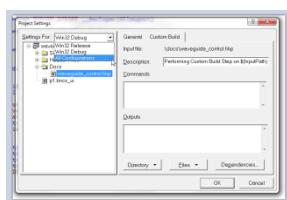
Select OK



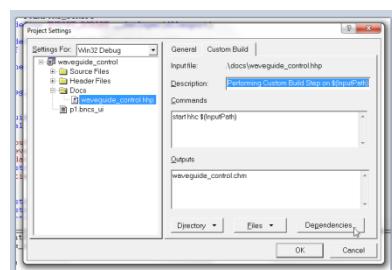
Expand the new 'Docs' folder

Right click the '<project name>.hhp' file

Select 'Settings...'



Settings For ↓ All Configurations

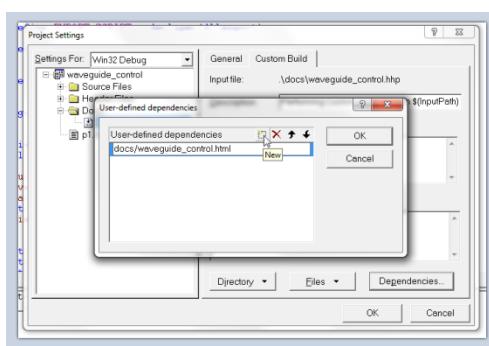


On the 'Custom Build' tab

Enter the Commands 'start hhc \$(InputPath)'

And the Outputs '<project name>.chm'

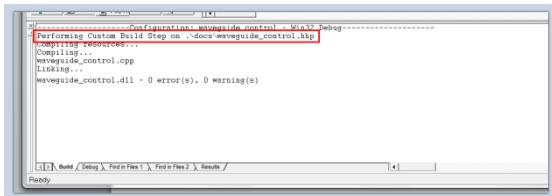
Select 'Dependencies'



Click icon to add a new dependency. Unfortunately you have to manually enter every filename (you cannot use wildcards) that, if you edit or change, would require a rebuild of the help file.

For the majority of circumstances this is just the .html file which would nominally be entered as docs/<project name>.html

Select 'OK' then 'OK'



Now 'Rebuild All' your project and in the 'Build' window you will see the custom build step reported

In your main project directory you will now have a <project name>.chm file

You will need to add this file to the Version Control System

To modify the help document, edit '\Docs\<project name>.html' using an HTML editing program such as Microsoft Expression Web.

If you then open up the VC6 workspace and rebuild, the project will know that the .html file has been edited and will run the custom build step to rebuild the .chm file

4 Version History

4.1 Document version

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1.00.00	20/2/13	First release	Steve Leatherbarrow

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