Django delete view

Django Delete View¶

- Django delete view used to delete a record from the database through user interaction.
- It identifies the object based on the primary key.

function based delete view

Look at the code below

```
from django.http import HttpResponse
from django.shortcuts import render, get_object_or_404
from my_app.models import Contact

def fbv_delete_view(request, pk):
    obj = get_object_or_404(Contact, id=pk)
    if request.method.lower() == 'post':
        obj.delete()
        return HttpResponse('Delete success')
    context = {'object': obj}
    return render(request, 'delete_template.html', context)
```

- For GET request, it shows info about the deleted object.
- Once user confirms the delete with POST request then it deletes the object and returns the response.

delete_template.html

class based delete view

- Django provides the generic view DeleteView to delete object.
- Look at the code below.

```
from django.http import HttpResponse
from django.views.generic.edit import DeleteView
from my_app.models import Contact

class CBVDeleteView(DeleteView):
    pk_url_kwarg = 'pk'
    queryset = Contact.objects.all()
    template_name = 'delete_template.html'

def form_valid(self, form):
    self.object = self.get_object()
    self.object.delete()
    return HttpResponse('Delete success')
```

- It works same as the function based delete view implemented above.
- pk_url_kwarg to identify the object or the record
- Attributes queryset or model or method get_object() is required to get the object.

configure urls¶

• open my_app/urls.py and add below code to it.

```
from django.urls import path
from my_app import views

urlpatterns = [
    # ...
    path('fbv_delete_view/<int:pk>', views.fbv_delete_view,
name='fbv_delete_view'),
    path('cbv_delete_view/<int:pk>', views.CBVDeleteView.as_view(),
name='cbv_delete_view'),
    # ...
]
```

- Open url http://127.0.0.1:8000/my_app/fbv_delete_view/1 to delete the object using function based delete view.
- Open url http://127.0.0.1:8000/my_app/cbv_delete_view/1 to delete the object using class based delete view.
- Replace the 1 with any id in the contact table.
- It throws 404 status code if id does not exist in the table.

References 1

- https://docs.djangoproject.com/en/dev/ref/class-based-views/generic-editing/#django.views.generic.edit.DeleteView
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