

Making it easier to work with the Council

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Today

- Introduce myself
- Describe the Customer Contact Programme
- Ask for your involvement and support

Customer Contact Programme – what is it?

- re-design the existing Merton website to enable more on-line transactions;
- develop and roll out a Customer Portal

- Introduce ‘Pathfinder’s – a prioritized list of high volume transaction-based processes (E&R)

- implement an Uptake Plan, re-designing internal processes to promote the Customer Portal, supported by internal and external communications

- Start from April 2015 to spring 2016

Customer Account

The screenshot displays the MySouthwark website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the text "Jump to content | Change font size and colours" and "You are not signed in. Sign in or register?". The main header features the "MySouthwark" logo and a search bar. Below the header is a menu with links: Home, Your council, What's on, News, Jobs, In my area, A-Z, Maps, and Do it online.

The main content area is divided into several sections:

- My Southwark sign in:** Includes options to connect with Facebook and Twitter, a login form with fields for "Email address:" and "Password:", and a "Login" button. Below the form are links for "Sign up today for a personalised My Southwark account", "Forgotten Password", "Problem with login", and "View community council forums (read only)".
- Why register?:** A list of benefits including viewing local services, personalising the home page, paying council tax and rents online, pre-populating forms, accessing a library account, and participating in the community forum. It also mentions "And much more coming soon...".
- Service tiles:** Four yellow tiles with icons and titles: "Pay for it now" (Council tax, rent, rates...), "Say it now" (Consultations, complaints...), "Report it now" (Noisy neighbours, fraud...), and "Apply for it now" (Garages, licences, permits).
- Popular forms:** A list of links for various forms: "Council tax - Moving home", "Council tax - Single person discount", "Council tax - Direct debit instruction", "Benefits - A new claim for housing benefit and council tax reduction", "Benefits - Change of circumstances", "Parking - Garages application", and "Parking - Residents parking permit".

At the bottom of the main content area, there is a "MySouthwark services" section with a lock icon and the text "Login or register to view this information". Below this are two buttons: "Where I live" and "My nearest".

What is a Customer Portal/Account?

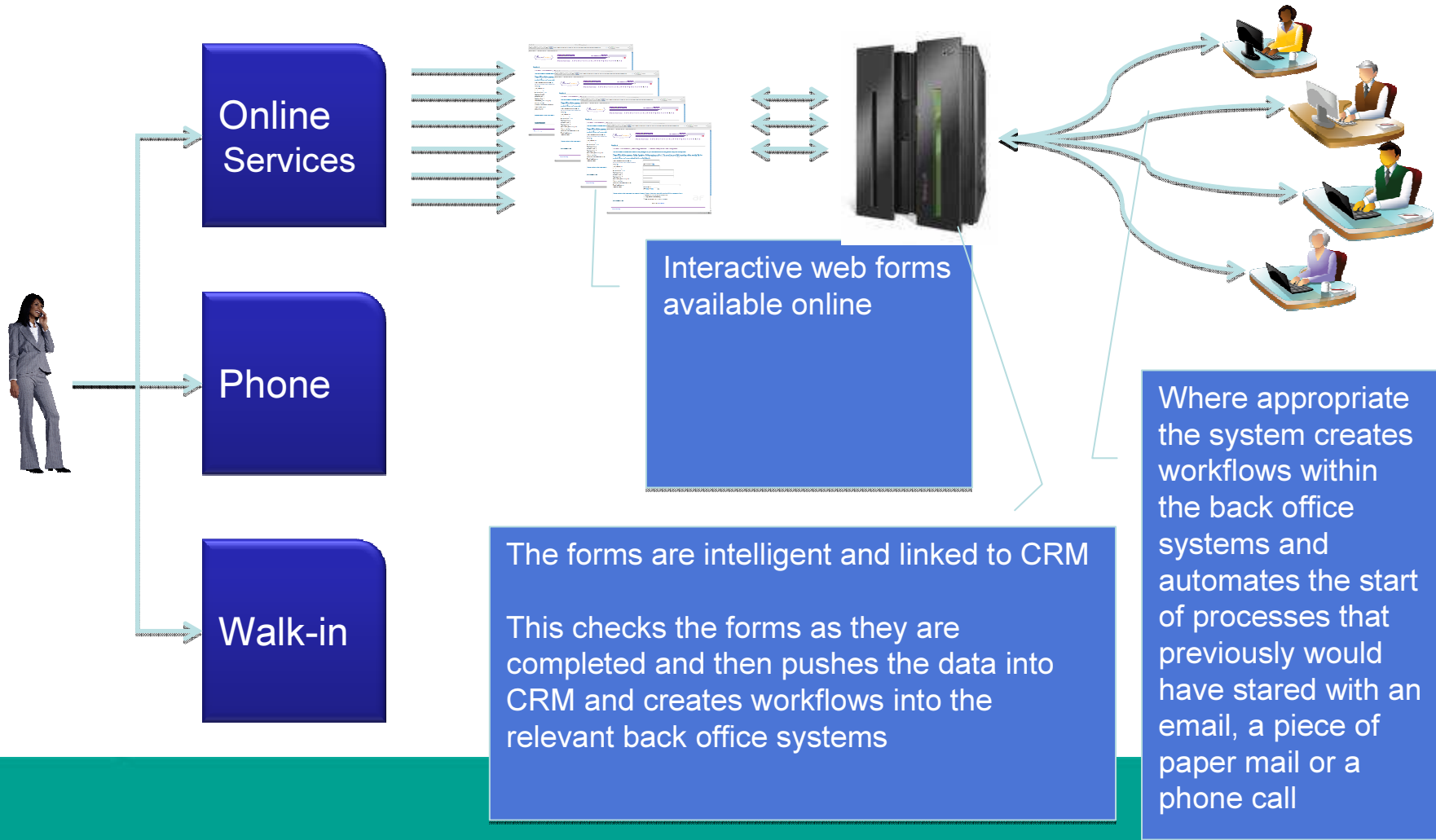
- A portal that consolidates a customer's transactions with the Council
- Transactions can be defined as requests for service, payment, searches
- Provides consolidated view with common design
- Easy to customise and with access to most/key public facing council services
- Removes barriers to use through easy navigation, auto-form filling, federated access, single sign on etc.

Current Position

- We have mix of all types of websites, Portals, hybrids, functionality providers, with different suppliers and technology, internally and externally hosted
- Meets needs of services areas but presents potentially confusing and cumbersome picture to users of on-line Council services
- Opportunity to rationalise on-line access to services and present a simpler way for residents to do business with the council

Why are we doing this?

- People want to do more business on-line
- It will save money and allow the Council to spend its money on more important things
- It will make it easier to do business with the Council
- People will feel more in control and helps to manage the pressures of complex demands



Being careful

- We need to support people who do not wish, or who cannot do more on-line business
- We are not stopping people phoning or meeting us
- We are providing Wi-Fi at council sites with staff to help you use the system
- We will make it easy to use (this is where you come in)

Your Help

- Help us choose the right design
- Help us use the right words
- Help us test what we have built
- Help us promote the new service
- Help us to support those who do not wish to use it
- Invite people to the development and testing groups



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Welcome to Merton Council

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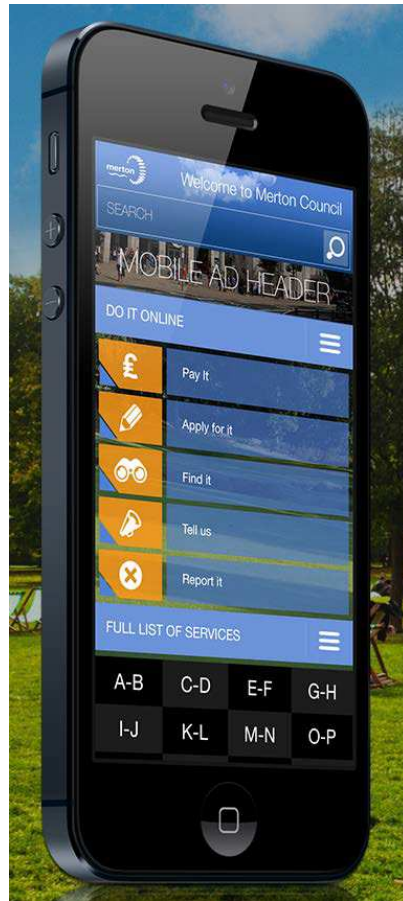
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DO IT ONLINE

- £
- Pencil icon
- Binoculars icon
- Book It
- Megaphone icon
- Close icon

FULL LIST OF SERVICES

A	Abandoned Vehicles Report Form	Active Plus School Holiday Courses	Washing Machine icon
	Adult Social Care Workforce Training Form	Adoption Application Form	
B	Births Book an Appointment to Register a Birth	Business Rates Business Enquiry	Mobile Phone icon
C	Change of Address Council Tax	Change of Address for People on the Housing Waiting List	Computer icon
	Compliments, Complaints and Comments	Council Tax	
D	Deprivation of Liberties Safeguards	Direct Payment Monitoring Form	GP icon



My Southwark sign in

Connect with [facebook](#) [twitter](#)

or

Complete all fields to login

Email address:

Password:

[Login](#)

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[View community council forums \(read only\)](#)

Why register?

- View local services and facilities such as schools, leisure centres, recycling facilities, parking and planned roadworks
- Personalise your home page to only show services that you're interested in
- Pay your council tax and rents online, and view your council tax account and benefits entitlement
- Have online forms pre-populate with your details
- View all your saved and completed online forms
- Access your library account
- Take part on the community forum

And much more coming soon...

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Council tax, rent, rates...

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MySouthwark services



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[My nearest](#)

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Joe Smith [Joe Smith](#) logged in ([logout](#))

Browse by Services

- Home
- My Borough
- Report It
- Services

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Me preferred message for service request receipts is

Email
 SMS

When my service request status changes, tell me by

Email
 SMS

When my service request is complete, tell me by

Email

I want to...

- Report it
- Apply for it
- Pay it
- Track it
- Edit my profile
- Get help

Done | Internet | Protected Mode: On | 100%



Joe Smith

[Joe Smith](#) logged in ([logout](#))

joe.smith@atemail.com

[My Services](#) | [Settings](#) | [Update contact details](#)

Browse by Services

- [Home](#)
- [My Merton](#)
- [Report It](#)
- [Services](#)

I want to...

- [Report it](#)
- [Apply for it](#)
- [Pay it](#)
- [Track it](#)
- [Edit my profile](#)
- [Get help](#)

Address 16A Lansdowne Road West
Wimbledon
SW20 8AW

Home telephone 01234 567890

Mobile telephone 07809611840

[Service Request History](#)

My Open Service Requests

Reference	Title	Requested	Status		
T-217684-G8W9	Merton Noise - 12345678	03/12/2013 12:16:10	In Progress	Update	Cancel
T-217683-K1H2	Merton Anti Social Behaviour - Portal	03/12/2013 12:03:32	In Progress	Update	Cancel
T-217682-Q2T1	Merton Noise - Portal	03/12/2013 11:50:23	In Progress	Update	Cancel
T-217619-T5C6	Merton Noise - Portal	29/11/2013 13:47:22	Initiated	Update	Cancel

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