Common Knowledge session
Aleph Enhancements Process
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Main features

- Well established
- Works – but slowly – time from proposal to delivery is long
- Focus is minor developments
- Some on a larger scale: Course Reserves; Staff privileges
- Not unified with ELUNA process; but coordination is improving
- Guaranteed quotient of development days from Ex Libris
- Dev days is per version – versions now every 2 year
- User see this as a loss and want to see it increased.
Concerns

• The wider picture:
  • Acute understanding that the real action is elsewhere:
    • Primo & URM
    • OPAC accessibility pushed back as an example of this
    • Aleph OPAC functionality in Primo taking priority
  • APWG will continue to use the process as well as possible
    • With a strong team in the APWG
    • Using the positive features of the Development Agreement
    • And strengthening coordination with ELUNA