



Marathon and a Sprint

Moving to Leganto at the University of Leeds

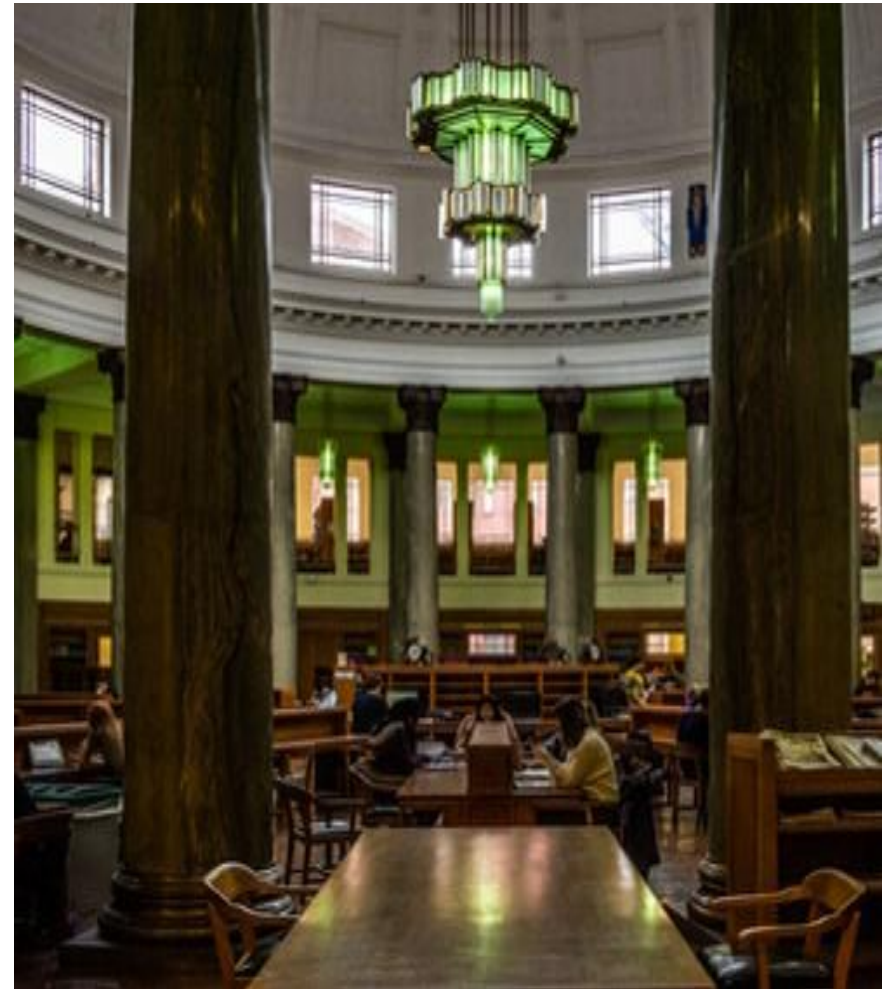
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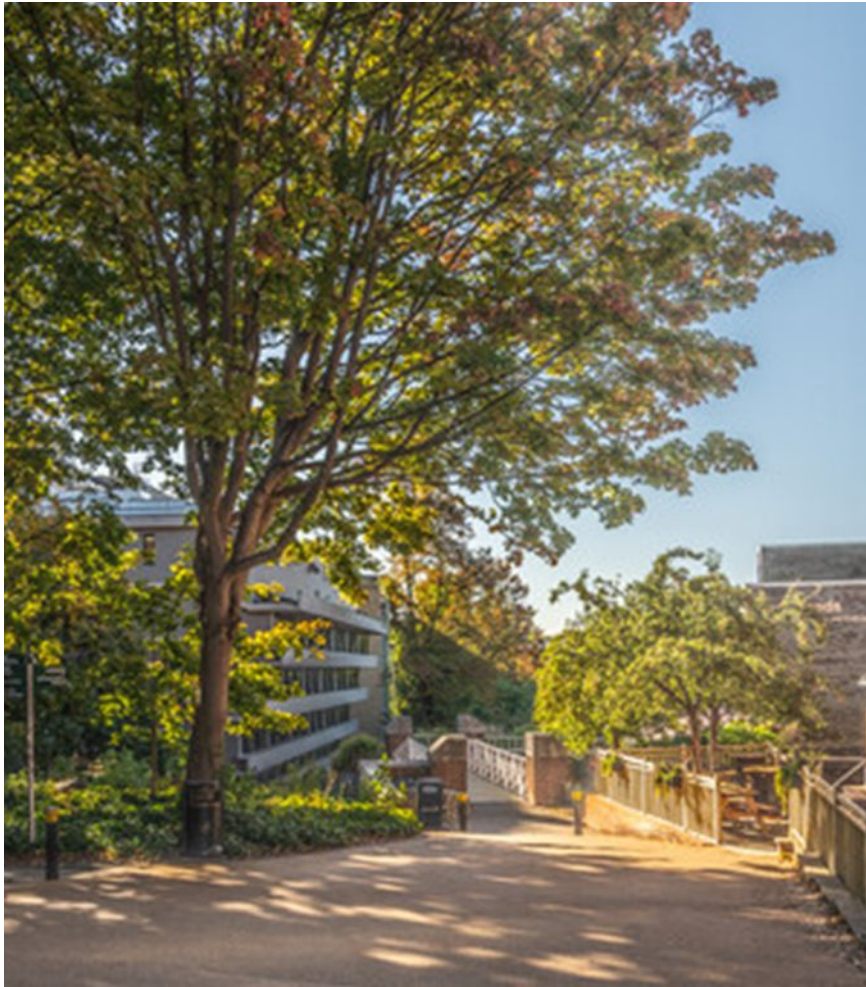
Jon Cook – Project Manager



University of Leeds

- Founded in 1904
- Campus university in Leeds
- Member of the Russell Group of research-intensive universities.
- ~39,000 students: 28,300 undergraduates, 10,700 postgraduates
- 9,200 staff





Background

- Existing Systems
 - In-house
 - Reading lists
 - Digitised Content
- Key Drivers
 - Central systems upgrade project
 - IT/Systems Team
 - Lack of system development potential



Why Leganto?

- Alma/Primo
- Digitised content integration
- User Group/Community
- Tight timeframe





Timeline

- VLE Project
 - Established deadline
- Ex Libris onboarding
- 18 month project
 - Minerva (VLE)
 - Data migration
 - IT involvement in data migration
 - Communications with stakeholders
 - Recruitment!



Migration of Data

- c.4500 existing lists to move across.
- Decision made to transfer (nearly) everything
- Substantial IT representation in project group.
- Representation included lead architect of previous in-house reading lists system.

HIST2117 Module Reading List

Conquerors and Conquered: England, 1000-1135, 2021/22, Semester 1

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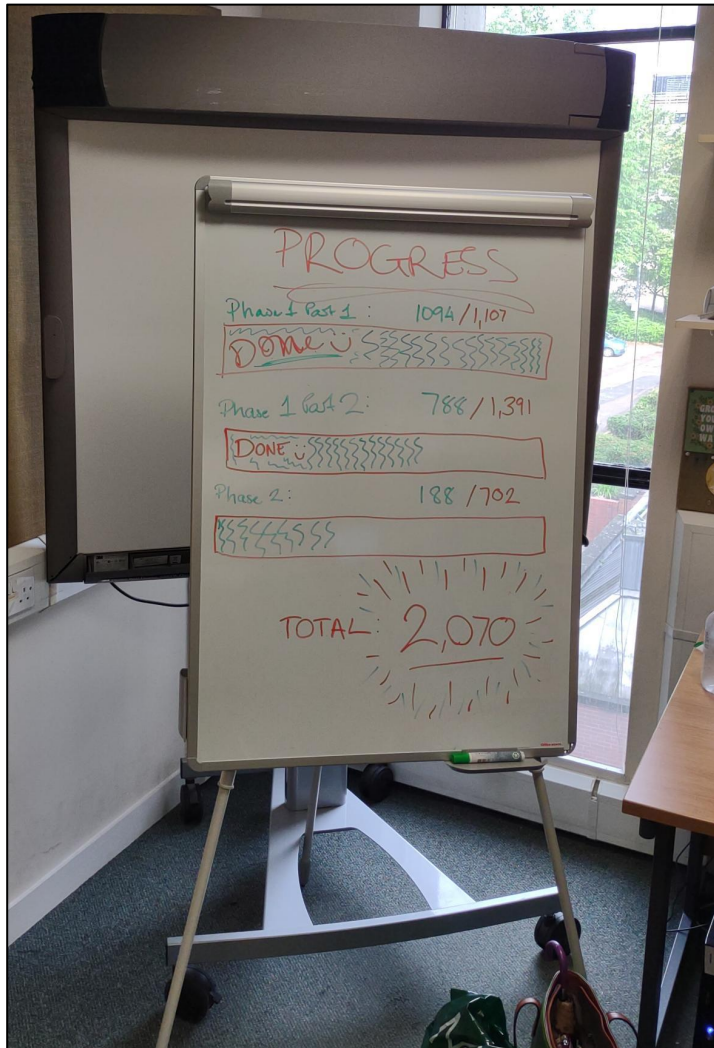
Tutor information is taken from the Module Catalogue

General books on the period, especially for introductory reading. Some of them are very suitable for purchase.

Pauline Stafford, ed. *A companion to the early Middle Ages : Britain and Ireland c.500-1100* (Chichester and Malden: Wiley-Blackwell, 2009), chs. 19-25, 27

Christopher Harper-Bill and Elisabeth van Houts, ed. *A companion to the Anglo-Norman world* (Woodbridge: Boydell, 2002); covers English and Norman political, social and cultural history from c.900 to c.1200

Julia Crick and Elisabeth van Houts, ed. *A social history of England, 900-1200* (Cambridge: CUP, 2011)



Migration of Data

- Migration script tested on pilot data and then refined through testing and feedback.
- Amount of data involved required a phased approach. (5 transfer batches)
- How to capture updates (and not duplicate work)?
- Migration process caused formatting and other errors.
- 6x Project Assistants working on cleaning-up migrated lists.



Workflow Development

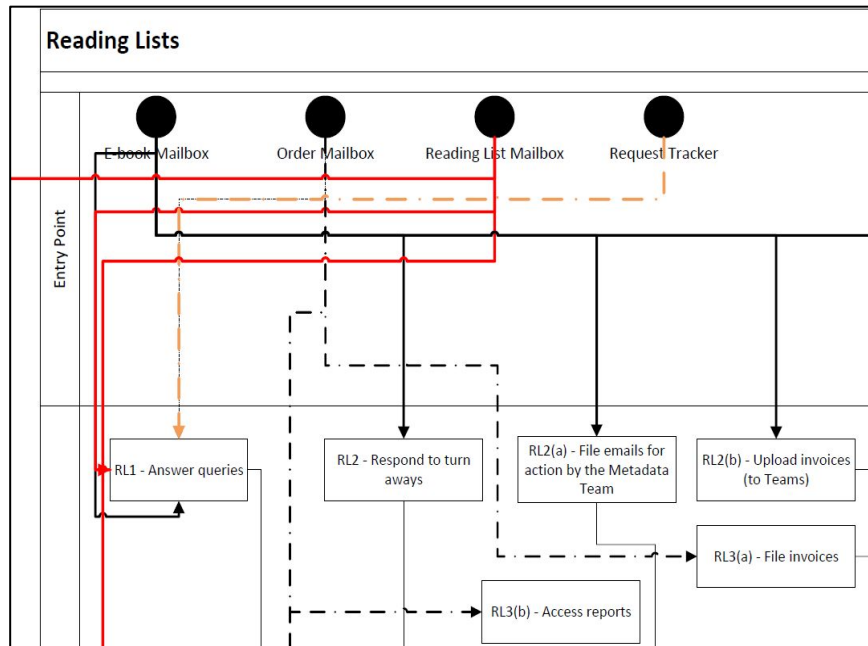
- Where to start? – so many configuration options!
- Start from principles: Don't try to recreate existing workflows.
- Ex Libris default workflows don't necessarily fit our context.
- Collaborative process – a subset of the reading list team formed a Leganto Implementation Team.

Mapping Table

	parameter key	parameter module	parameter value	free text description
1	add_auth_to_url	general	true	Whether to add auth=
2	authentication_method	general	SAML	Define the login meth
3	citation_availability_format	general	1	Display citation availa
4	citation_export_style_order	general	list	The order to export ci
5	course_display	general	code	(name/code) Whether
6	default_language	general	eng	Define the default Lar
7	default_processing_depart	general	MAIN	default Processing De
8	delete_reading_list	general	logical	true- any list deleted
9	display_digital_in_collectio	general	true	Whether to display di
10	display_digital_representat	general	true	Whether to display di
11	display_inactive_digital_re	general	false	Whether to display in:



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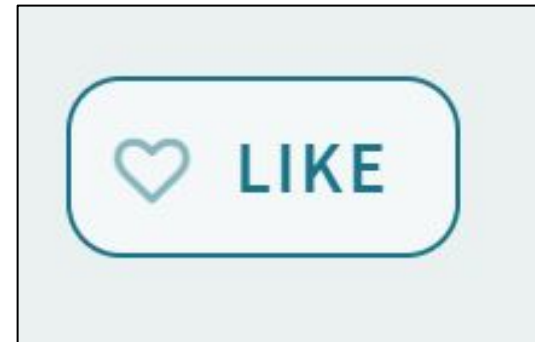


- Initially a (very slow) online process.
- Worked with a consultant to map existing processes + identify areas of improvement.
- Transitioned to face-to-face *sprint* workshops.
- Iterative process – try it, it doesn't matter if it doesn't work.
- User community = invaluable.



Tutor Engagement

- Starting from an interesting place – more difficult to outline benefits of new system.
- Frank and open about the reasons for migration.
- No Academic Liaison Librarians – need to be creative in identifying comms channels.
- Pilot - of limited value to wider engagement.





Tutor Engagement

Are sure you want to delete your current Reading List system?

Please note, this will make everyone very angry.

CANCEL OK

- Early outreach in Spring 2022 to introduce system and ask for feedback on existing processes.
- Led to wider (and invaluable) user experience research project in the Summer.
- Regular training drop-in session across the Summer/Autumn.
- Still working on process for regular reading list reminders (and tracking engagement for Semester 1)



Reflections – Timeline

- Difficult to fit into another project's timeline.
- A follow-up onboarding period would have been extremely useful.
- Fine-tuning config will be an ongoing activity. (as will Analytics)
- Great opportunity to use project time to rethink how we gather feedback from users.



New reading list system
launches



Reflections – Project Setup

- Composition of the project team (and Board) was well considered.
- Realistic budgeting from the outset was important as the project developed.
- Knock-on effects on Metadata team were overlooked.
- Other systems have had significant impact on project (e.g. Module Catalogue)



Reflections – Staff Development

- Team have adapted to new system and processes extremely well.
- The project has created new posts but also development opportunities for existing staff.
- Cross-pollination of skills will take time.





Thank You