The Welsh Repository Network: Where do we go from here?

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Looking back

- Phase 1 – 2007-2009
- Money for hardware
- Assistance with installation
- Support and guidance
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Achievements

- Twelve repositories
- 100% coverage across the country
- Launch event in Feb 2009
- Press coverage
- Case Studies
- Network of people
So where are we going...

- April 2009 further JISC funding secured
- The Welsh Repository Network Enhancement Project (WRNEP) begins
- Lots of ideas and activities ...
Building on what has gone before ...

- Content, content, content
- Continued support and assistance
- Exploration and experimentation
Enhanced support network...

- New methods of communication
- Blog
  [http://welshrepositorynetwork.blogspot.com/](http://welshrepositorynetwork.blogspot.com/)
- Maintaining momentum between site visits
- Pro-active support agenda
  - Policy
  - Best practice guidelines
Tools and spin-offs...

- Repository interface improvement, configuration, personalisation
  - Easier to use
  - More likely to get ‘buy in’
- Community learning spinning out from support deliverables
Realising the network...

- Welsh Thesis Harvesting Service
  - Working in conjunction with National Library of Wales
  - ...and EThOS
  - Taking the harvesting of e-theses across Wales from a proof of concept/pilot set up to a fully working system.
Experimentation...

- Mediated Deposit Bureau
  - Outsourcing material ingest
  - Reporting on staff resource and costs
  - Cultural acceptance of the model?
And maybe more...

- More ideas may emerge
- We’re only just getting going
- Watch this space

- Thanks for listening