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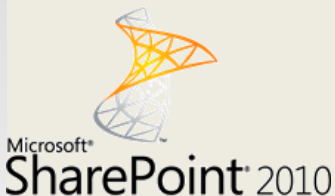


Adam Smith College — SharePoint 2010

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"IRW were efficient and professional which enabled us to implement the solution with a minimum of disruption to staff and maximum benefit to the organisation."

ADAM SMITH COLLEGE
INSPIRING LEARNING



THE CUSTOMER: Adam Smith College is the third largest Further Education College in Scotland with approximately 35,000 students and 900 staff. The College, located in Fife, has a strong presence in the community with four main campuses, in Kirkcaldy, Glenrothes and Leven, as well as local learning centres.

THE REQUIREMENT: The College was seeking to improve the internal business processes and to create an ideal information portal and platform for this, by upgrading their existing Microsoft Office SharePoint Server 2007 environment to SharePoint Server 2010, in order that they could take advantage of the improved features and benefits of SharePoint 2010 for the business side of the College.

THE SOLUTION: IRW was requested by Adam Smith College to review the current system, highlight any possible issues and perform the upgrade. Given the high level of customisation in one of the web applications and the short time constraints that were in place, it was recommended that the web application was left in place on 2007 and the other web applications were upgraded.

Adam Smith was amenable to this as the existing educational SharePoint web application would continue to work satisfactorily, given its customisation, and the business web application would still get the increased functionality that the College was seeking. IRW firstly set up new Web Front End servers on Windows Server 2008 R2, upgraded the SQL Server cluster to SQL Server 2008 R2, then installed and configured the new SharePoint 2010 environment, migrated the business web application across and upgraded the database.

BUSINESS BENEFITS: With the original SharePoint 2007 farm still operating, the College is able to maintain compatibility with customisations while the new SharePoint 2010 farm provided the added functionality and benefits that were required for the business.



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