

People, Data and Things



Introducing... Steve Dungworth

Change Agent

• Creating a digital vision for ICT staff and operational managers

Communicator

 Helping 'people' understand how the 'things' work

Programme Manager

• Resources, risks and benefits



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People

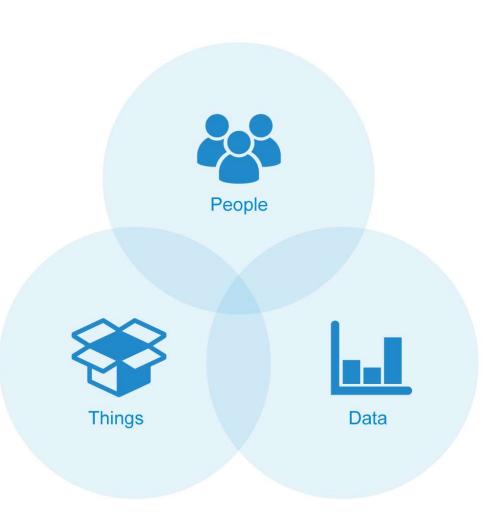
 Passionate about housing – it's what we do!

Data

 Financial, asset management and customer insight – building strategy and case for change

Things

 Plugs, sockets, wires and boxes



Digital Natives

- People make the difference...
- People and Things don't mix well
- Recruit socially skilled (T-shaped) ICT staff
- ICT and HR working together
 - Training
 - Flexible working
- Mobile working constrained by systems, equipment and paper



What's happening out there?

 Our customers (and staff) are driven by experience of consumer services

Generational gap

- Millennial expectations (fingers
- on screens) vs corporate leaders (big systems)

Scary monsters

 Cyber attacks, GDPR regulations and unlimited costs



How can we compete?

ASOS recently announced a £100m CAPEX investment in ICT

Over the past 12 months, over 20% of the UK population placed an order with an ASOS website

> Over the past 6 months, ASOS had 230 tech releases

Since 2014, Accent has invested around 2.8% turnover in technology?

What can you buy for 3% of your turnover?

Overhead cost or investment?

What is the role of your ICT team?

Service provider or peripheral activity

Additional customer channels

Catalyst for transformation

Where to start... customer experience or ICT infrastructure?

- Housing management systems homogeneous – service / influence
- Not built for fingers on screens
- Build your own or bolt it all together

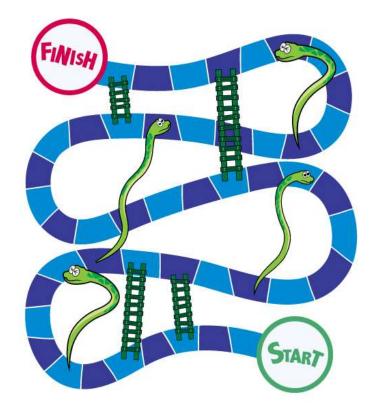
 challenges the capability of your
 ICT team
- Complexity and regulation

 difficult to maintain



Current themes

- Customer experience and customer journey
- Big data and artificial intelligence
- Internet of Things
- Digital Inclusion



Customer Experience

- 500,000 customer contacts per annum
- 80% of contact through contact centre
- 80% of incoming contacts about repairs and rents
- Skype for Business telephone system
 video enabled
- Integration with contractors as part of re-procurement
- Existing website portal, now building selfservice website v2



Accent Connect

- Skype for Business telephone system
- Unified communications:
 - Incoming voice
 - Call back for repairs
 - Web chat
 - Incoming email
 - Rent arrears call
 - Customer satisfaction call back (from text)
- Presence management location and status of all staff – seamless transfer
- Real time management information
- Future federation with contractors, video analysis





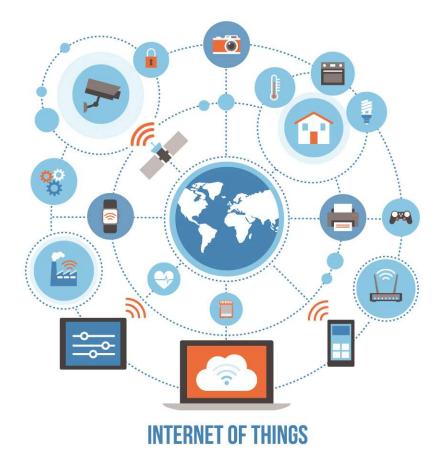
Big Data and Artificial Intelligence

- CRM and asset databases
 jewels in the crown
- Data driven decision making
- Challenges on missing data, KPI definitions and system reporting
- Segmentation digital marketing thinking
- GDPR preparations
- How do we utilise AI opportunity?



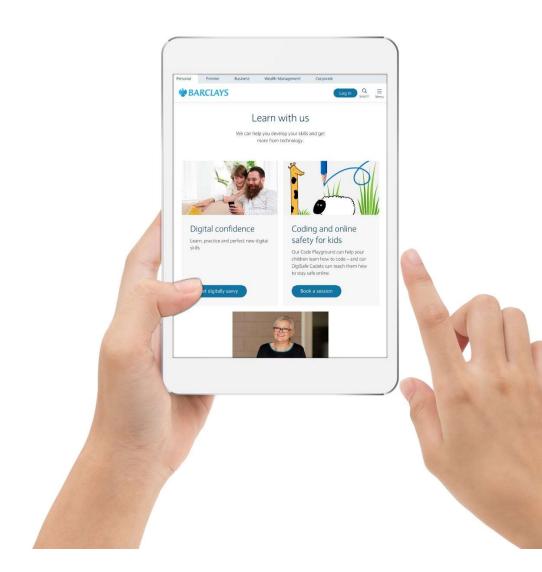
Internet of Things

- Not yet started...
- Early days with new contractors up to them to assess value of smart boilers etc.
- More opportunities for supported housing
- Plan to focus on personal needs not corporate needs – help residents and WAGs (Worried and Guilty)



Digital inclusion

- Moving forward include in new property specifications
- Retro-fitting Wi-Fi depends on geography and supply
- Everyone needs more education (customers and staff) – Barclays lead the way



Lessons Learnt

- People
 - Time and influence required to persuade Execs and Boards of investment at time of financial uncertainty
 - Digital influencers within ICT teams
- Data
 - Managers less interested in systems and processes – but reporting capability of products
 - Sentiment, segmentation and AI in housing
- Things
 - Always something new, difficult to keep pace
 - Housing management systems under pressure from small systems



