

**Title: Update and Future plans for Discovery service**

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**Required Action:** Awareness of Discovery <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/discovery>

**What the User Advisory Group are being asked to do / consider:**

As requested at the last User Advisory Group meeting, you will hear about progress so far and future plans followed by a chance to ask questions or give comments.

**Background / context for discussion:**

In March 2011, we launched the beta version of our Discovery service, our new record search.

Discovery is an innovative and easily usable way for you to explore our collection and it will replace the existing Catalogue and DocumentsOnline system.

Since March, we have released a number of updates to Discovery adding new functionality, improvements and bug fixes. We are continuing to update Discovery regularly. In line with the principals of user centred design, many of the improvements are directly in response to user testing and user feedback.

Future plans include adding revenue generation, user collaboration and developing further enhancements such as additions to advanced search and linking into onsite document ordering.