

# Enhance existing WordPress WishList Member powered website

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## Introduction

This document contains the requirements for the *PCN Enhanced Profiles* project. If you have any questions about this, please e-mail Glen Scott <[glen@yellowsquare.info](mailto:glen@yellowsquare.info)>

## Requirements

We have a project that involves enhancing an existing live WordPress site. The website is <http://www.procopywriters.co.uk>

The site uses the WishList Member plugin to provide a members directory. It allows a user to sign up and add their details to the directory. The details include their name, location, skill set and other attributes. Currently, users have to be manually approved before they appear on the site. We want to remove this approval stage.

The fields for free and paid members are to be slightly changed. They are documented here:









<https://docs.google.com/a/glenscott.co.uk/spreadsheets/d/1bTsG7ZfFYZx72pHkI10aHYdYqtJqNG-4a86cvSbJMLE/edit?usp=sharing>

The website displays these member details on a member profile page.

We would like to introduce another membership level which is paid. This membership level will allow the user to have an “enhanced profile”. The enhanced profile will allow the member to add up to 10 portfolio items. The portfolio items will have a title, description, image and optional file upload (PDF or image). The portfolio items will be shown on the members public profile page. The title, thumbnail image and shortened description will link through to a full page showing the title, full description, full size image and link to the optional file upload. We will need some basic web design for this page as well as the programming.

An example of how the portfolio might look is as follows:

## Portfolio

 <p>JEYES UK CORPORATE WEBSITE</p>	 <p>UEA WORKING LIFE BROCHURE</p>	 <p>KATIE CHRISTOFFERS BRAND STORY</p>	 <p>LARKING GOWEN CORPORATE WEBSITE</p>
Site for a leading UK brand, providing both corporate and product information	Brochure promoting the University of East Anglia as a great place to work	Brand narrative for an up-and-coming artisan chocolatier	New tone and content for a leading regional accountancy firm
 <p>SUKI SHUFU WEBSITE</p>	 <p>PRUDENTIAL ANNUITY EMAILS</p>	 <p>FUJI Z30 MICROSITE</p>	 <p>PURELOSOPHY WEBSITE</p>
Product copy for a fashionable lifestyle brand	Informational customer content for leading UK insurer	Ultra-condensed copy marketing the lifestyle benefits of a compact camera	Promoting a range of all-natural functional drinks online

The enhanced profile items will appear on a paid members profile page. Clicking on an item loads that portfolio in a new page.

The payment for enhanced profiles will be done via PayPal. The payment will be a recurring annual subscription.

The listing of members, which is currently done with another WordPress plugin called “Members List” will also need to be changed. Users with enhanced profiles should be visually different — perhaps using something as simple as a coloured outline on the listing. Enhanced members should always be shown on top of non-paid members in search results.

The search facility (<http://www.procopywriters.co.uk/members-directory/>) needs to be changed to allow searching by skills and/or locality. We also want a “show members close to me” function whereby we use the users location to show them “close” results.

Since the project involves altering a live website, we suggest setting up a cloned version of the site for development. Before making the new site live, the existing set of members will need to be imported.

## Constraints

- Development work must be done on a development server so not to interfere with the live site
- Any users that have signed up between creating the development site and making the project live will need to be imported manually -- no users should be lost

- Any amendments to WordPress plugins and/or WordPress itself must be done in such a way that it will not prevent upgrades to the core and plugins.

## Design Tasks

To be handled by Daryl Knight:

- Create mock up of enhanced profile page, and portfolio page
- Create HTML and CSS for new enhanced profile page and portfolio page

## Development Tasks

Development tasks will shortly be made available on Trello:

<https://trello.com/b/DPp5HQgG/pcn-enhanced-profiles>

- ~~Clone existing site over to development site pcn.yellowsquare.info~~
- ~~Upgrade WordPress and plugins to latest versions (if any newer versions are available)~~
- ~~Export all content from live site (Dashboard -> Tools -> Export)~~
- Import existing content into development site (Dashboard -> Tools -> Import)
- Take PSD of new enhanced profile page and portfolio page and create HTML, CSS and JavaScript
- Allow users to upload up to 10 portfolio items
- Change member system to have three levels of member - Free, Paid and Hidden
- When signing up, user has option to choose Free or Paid membership
- Certain fields on sign up form are mandatory (see <https://docs.google.com/a/glenscott.co.uk/spreadsheets/d/1bTsG7ZfFYZx72pHk110aHYdYqtJqNG-4a86cvSbJMLE/edit?usp=sharing>)
- Paid membership needs to link to PayPal annual subscription
- Website administrator must be able to make user a Paid member \_without\_ having to put in PayPal details
- Website administrator must be able to make a member Hidden. Hidden members do not show up on the front of the site
- Website administrator must be able to e-mail members -- i.e. e-mail all Hidden members
- We need to store location information for all existing members to allow the "search members close to me" -- look up lat and lon details and save with member details
- Members list page should list Paid members before Free members
- Members list page should allow searching by skills & locality
- Import any members that have signed up to the live site since development started
- Move development site over to live site when project has completed

## Open Questions for Developer

1. Does it make sense to use the existing "WishList Member" & "Members List" plugins, or should we create a new bespoke plugin for the site?