



PUBLIC IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

Renewing the central government website

A public account of the work behind the new govll.org, how it compares with the first complete government website, and how the earlier version has been preserved.

94	23+	28	1.0
current launch score / 100	canonical public pages	representative routes tested	previous website preserved

The central website has moved from a collection of manually maintained static pages to a structured, accessible publishing service with a lightweight ProcessWire content management system.

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Prepared for public release alongside the launch announcement. This report describes the central govll.org website; linked government services have their own systems and release cycles.

1. Executive summary

The renewal keeps the restrained government identity of the original website while replacing its underlying publishing model. Editors can now manage pages, news, documents, public holidays and reusable media without editing source files. Visitors receive clearer navigation, consistent page layouts, mobile support, search, accessible focus treatment and dependable status pages.

The work also introduced a branded CMS, a structured Media Centre, account lifecycle email, technical search metadata, a dynamic sitemap, stronger browser security headers, clear privacy information and warnings when visitors leave the government domain.

Public outcome

- A consistent central website for government information, services, institutions and announcements.
- A lightweight CMS suited to the existing VPS rather than a heavier enterprise platform.
- Reusable publishing workflows for news, files, holidays, images and supporting documents.
- A permanent archive catalogue with the former website isolated as version 1.0.

Independent of the launch presentation, the staging build underwent hands-on route, responsive, accessibility, CMS, email, SEO, performance and security checks. The original audit scored the staging build 89/100. Launch fixes and the completed migration raise the public implementation assessment to 94/100; the scoring is explained on page 5.

What this report is not

This is a public implementation record, not a claim that any website is permanently finished or risk-free. Content, accessibility and security require continuing review. Detailed credentials, internal paths, mail configuration and exploitable operational information are intentionally excluded.

2. Old and new: the practical difference

The earlier website was an important first proper government presence. Its limitation was not its historical value, but the amount of manual technical work required to keep it consistent and current. The redesign turns that foundation into a maintainable public service.

Area	Website 1.0	New govll.org
Publishing	Individual static HTML files changed by a technical maintainer.	Structured ProcessWire pages with roles, drafts and editor workflows.
Navigation and layout	Page-by-page implementation with uneven content depth and limited reuse.	Shared government header, navigation, breadcrumbs, templates and footer.
News	No integrated editorial news publishing workflow.	News index, dated articles, drafts, images and supporting documents.
Documents and media	Files and assets maintained directly in site folders.	Categorised public documents plus a folder-based Media Centre.
Public holidays	A hand-maintained page.	Editable structured entries with year selection and accessible state.
Search and discovery	Limited discovery and static metadata.	Site search, canonical metadata, social cards, structured data and XML sitemap.
Accessibility	Useful foundations but inconsistent behaviour between pages.	Keyboard focus borders, skip links, landmarks, labels, contrast and responsive layouts.
External links	Visitors could leave the main domain without a consistent explanation.	Separate warnings distinguish government-managed subdomains from third-party websites.
Continuity	Previously at risk of being replaced in place.	Preserved under a versioned National Archives collection.

3. What was delivered

Public website

- Government homepage, institutional and citizens sections, contact, documents, holidays, search, news, accessibility, privacy and terms pages.
- A responsive navy, blue and gold visual system with a shared official-site banner, navigation, breadcrumbs, footer and branded 404 page.

Content management

- A Links Land-branded ProcessWire administration area, simplified start dashboard and folder-based Media Centre.
- Structured news, public documents and holidays, including rich text, media selection, supporting documents and PDF display options.

Trust, safety and privacy

- Accessible focus borders and separate link warnings for government-managed and non-government websites.
- Account lifecycle email, a first-visit notice, detailed privacy information and website terms without forced consent to advertising or analytics tracking.

Technical foundations

- Canonical and social metadata, Schema.org data, a dynamic XML sitemap, compression, asset caching and hardened browser headers.
- A separate, versioned archive host whose historical records cannot be confused with current guidance.

4. Testing and public scorecard

Testing covered 28 representative routes and all major content types. It included desktop and 390-pixel mobile layouts, keyboard and semantic checks, search, document filters, holidays, external-link warnings, CMS login and publishing, Media Centre selection, news drafts, account email, sensitive-path exposure, metadata, sitemap output, compression and service health.

Section	Score	Public assessment
Public functionality	95/100	Major routes, search, documents, holidays and error handling
User interface and responsive UX	94/100	Consistent templates and mobile layouts
Accessibility	94/100	Strong semantic, keyboard and contrast foundations
CMS and editorial usability	93/100	Structured workflows with a simplified media selector
Technical SEO	96/100	Canonical production metadata, sitemap and structured data
Performance	91/100	Small assets, compression and cache policy
Security and privacy foundations	90/100	Hardened delivery and transparent essential processing
Content and archival continuity	94/100	Public legal pages and versioned website archive

94 Overall public launch assessment

The score is a weighted implementation judgement, not a certification. Scores of 90-100 indicate launch quality with continuing improvements expected; 80-89 indicate a good service with meaningful outstanding work.

Changes since the staging audit

The site has moved to govll.org, obsolete Forms promotion was removed, the official Discord invitation was corrected, production metadata was activated, the main account was confirmed, legal information was expanded, and the former site was recovered into a proper versioned archive. The shared VPS PHP version was deliberately left unchanged because the careers service depends on it.

5. The new archive

archives.govll.org is now a catalogue rather than a loose copy of a website. The first complete central government website is preserved at a permanent versioned address:

archives.govll.org/collections/government-website/1.0/

- The archive homepage explains how historical material should be used.
- Every preserved page carries a prominent notice and a route back to the archive catalogue and current website.
- Internal links and assets are rooted inside the version 1.0 collection, preventing them from accidentally displaying current-site content.
- The catalogue can later accept additional website versions, documents, images or other digital records without altering version 1.0.

Preservation principle

An archive should preserve context as well as files. Archived pages therefore remain visually representative of their time, while the surrounding warning and catalogue make clear that they are historical and may contain old contact details, forms or links.

Continuing work

The Government will continue reviewing content, accessibility, media-selector performance, infrastructure capacity and linked services. The new CMS makes those improvements possible without another full rebuild, while the archive ensures that the earlier public record is not erased.

Public links

- Current website: <https://govll.org/>
- Government Archives: <https://archives.govll.org/>
- Website version 1.0: <https://archives.govll.org/collections/government-website/1.0/>
- Accessibility statement: <https://govll.org/accessibility/>
- Privacy notice and terms: <https://govll.org/privacy/> and <https://govll.org/terms/>

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