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It Starts and Ends with Your Users:
Provide the best possible proactive and reactive support for them

It is People-focused,
NOT Technologyfocused

The Process Begins with a Vision





Start with a strategic vision

Gather people who care to identify:

Where are you now

What you want to see accomplished

What will provide value to your people

This will change as your org, culture, and available technology shift — Don't be Blockbuster Video or Polaroid...

Start at the top – but know the magic happens at the bottom.

Remember – YMMV – Be ADAPTABLE!



Not Your Grandfather's Governance



It's about defining the rules of the road: laying the pavement, putting up guardrails, and creating on and off-ramps.

Involve key stakeholders to

Identify roles and responsibilities throughout the process

Ensure required policies are identified and baked into the architecture

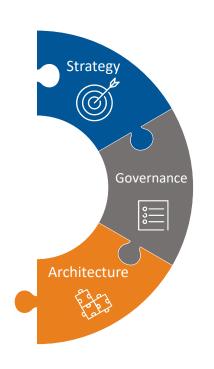
Collect feedback and analyze what's working, measurables, changes to vision, culture, or platforms, etc.

Not talking about formal policies and security rules with this Governance

Road Map



Design Beyond Functional Specs



It's NOT functional specifications, site columns or content types.

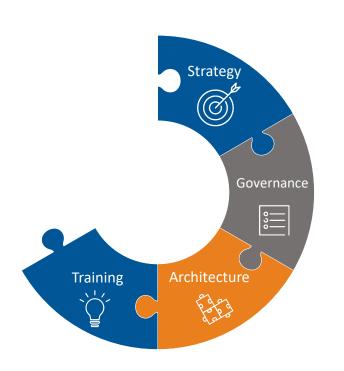
It's designing for Intranet, Collaboration, Project Management, Teams – How to provide locations for activities that....

It's aligning with Governance – How to provide tools in a structured way that align with your vision?

Identify roadmap items: Vision, Guidelines, Administration, Training, Support, and Feedback.

Designing for capabilities, not applications.

Training: Taking a Standard Class Isn't Enough



Training is NOT sending a few administrators "Office 365" classes.

Training creates awareness

Training is contextual and personalized.

Training is based on the roadmap.

Training is offered repeatedly.

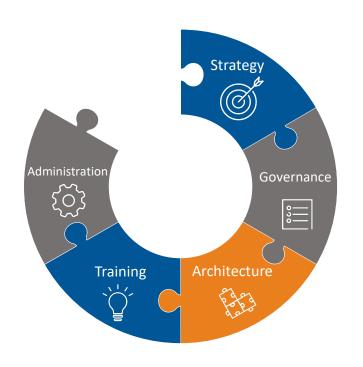
Training dictates proactive follow-up and future roadmap items.

Training requires feedback.

Training content MUST change over time.

Training done in real time

Setup & Administration Should Then Be Easier



Easiest to do *IF* you have done the previous steps correctly.

If not, this is like shooting in the dark.

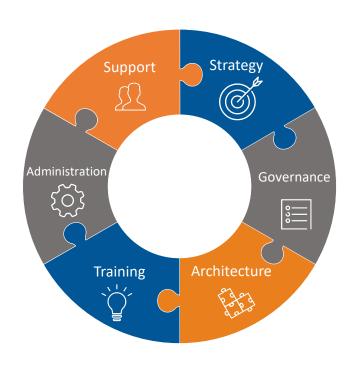
Governance, Vision, Measurables, Road Map, Design, Training plan all essentially guide what a "build" should be.

A Build has changed to "initial configuration" in many ways.

Spend a lot of time reviewing Office 365 changes, user feedback, and ongoing adjustment to the setup. Stale = Failure



Support is Where the Transformation Will Happen



Support is where the majority of DT will come from.

You MUST be there when someone needs help, it's your best opportunity to move the needle.

Best opportunity to TRAIN users on specific capabilities. Building Blocks

Support staff must be prepared for the implementation. Do not consider them an after-thought. They are the tip of your spear if you truly want to transform your organization.

Support is proactive, following up builds trust, makes knowledge stick, and prevents Shadow IT.

Final Thoughts



The process is cyclical by design – It works because you stay on it, be prepared to revisit often

Each small problem solved is a step in the right direction

Maturity levels increase over time

Platform changes over time

Common Question: HOW to ensure this all happens?

Build a Playbook!

We us Microsoft Teams / SharePoint, but even a pencil and paper can work



It is difficult to see the forest through the trees – that's OK



Questions?



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