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SharePoint 2013

Out of the box features that can improve your Housing Association

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SharePoint 2013

What is SharePoint?

- Document Management
- Collaboration
- Content Management
- Business Process Automation (BPA)
- Search

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Typical applications of SharePoint in Housing Associations

- Intranets
- Staff Directory
- Replace paper forms with online forms - BPA
- Teams working together
- Knowledge Base
- Portals
  - Resident Portals
  - Supplier Extranets
- Web Sites

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Benefits of SharePoint

- Reduced use of email
- Less duplication
- Easier to find information and people
- Efficiency and less paper

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What I'm going to cover

- Introduction to Parabola Software
- Changing the look of the site – Design Manager
- Search and the value of Metadata
- SharePoint Apps and the App Store
- Mobiles and Tablets – Smart Devices support
- Community Sites

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Parabola Introduction

- Microsoft Gold Partner
  - Gold in Collaboration and Content
  - Silver in Application Development
- Implementing SharePoint solutions since 2006
- Technology Focus
  - Microsoft .NET development using SQL Server since 2002
  - SharePoint
- Based in Kingston-Upon-Thames

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Parabola's Services

- SharePoint Consultancy
- SharePoint Server Farm design
- SharePoint in the Cloud
  - Office 365 implementations
- SharePoint Health-Checks
- Systems Integration
- Web design and styling
- Custom business software
- Technical advice and guidance
  - Windows Server, .NET, SQL Server, SharePoint
- Project Management
- Training
- Support

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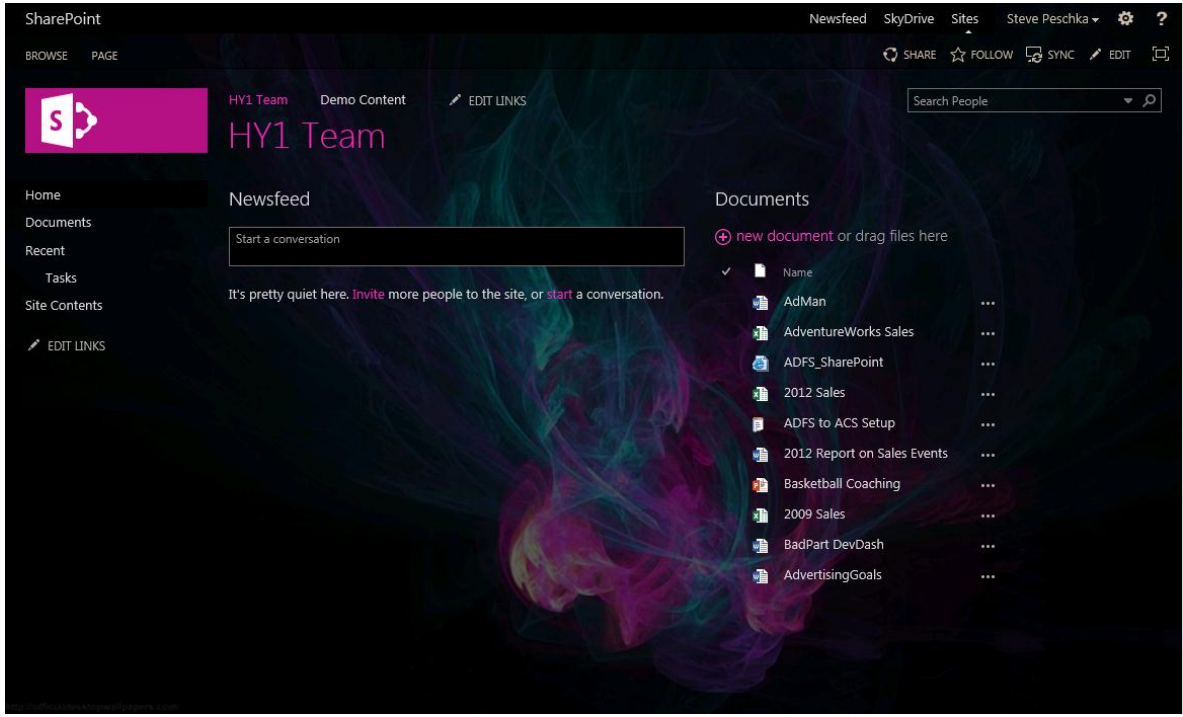
Changing the look of the site – Design Manager

- Composed Looks - Power Users
- Design Package – Web Developers using a web design tool
- More Advanced Development – SharePoint .NET Developers



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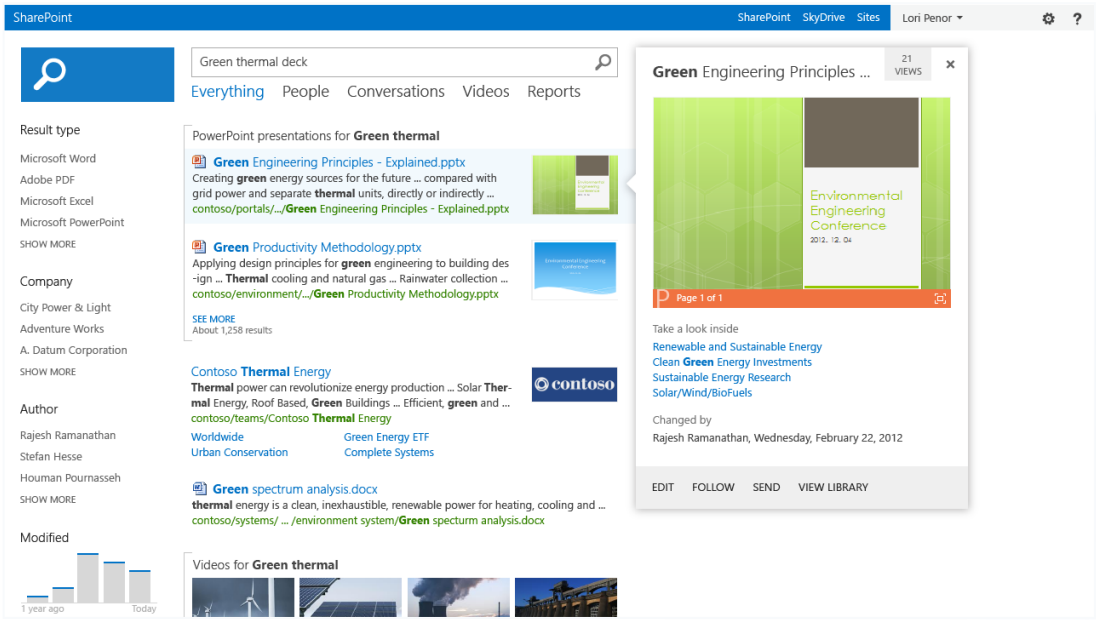
Search in 2013

- New features
  - Continuous Crawl
  - Search for People, Videos and Conversations



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Demo

- Composed Looks
- Search

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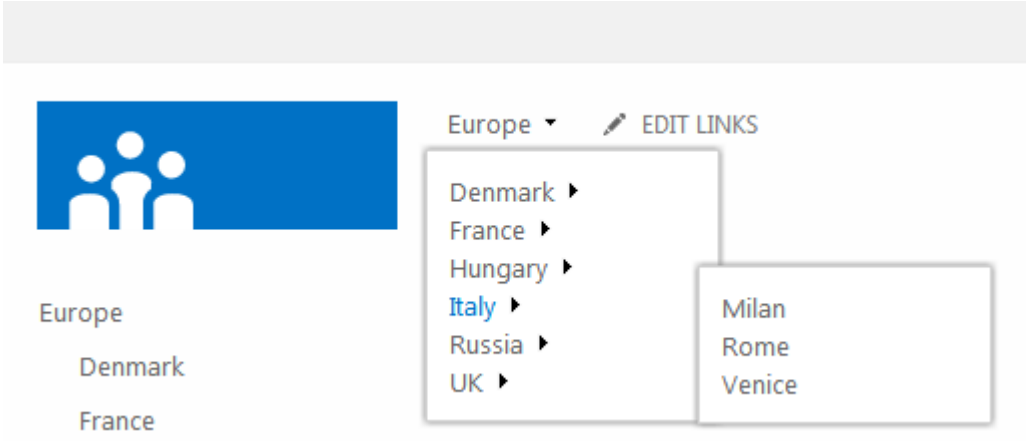
Information Architecture Design

- The key to success with SharePoint
- An area where experience and expertise make the difference



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The Importance of IA to SharePoint Implementations

“SharePoint buyers expect intuitive navigation, contextual search, and easy administration out of the box. But such benefits depend on how content is structured, labelled and categorized”

“*The information architecture behind a SharePoint deployment has lasting consequences for the end user experience and for Web site management”*

- February 24, 2009

By Leslie Owens, Rob Koplowitz with Matthew Brown, Norman Nicolson

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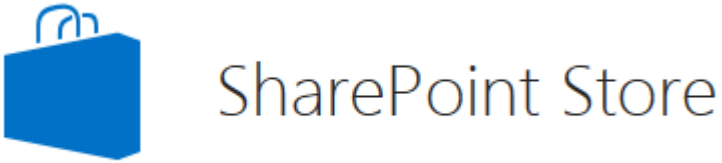
SharePoint 2013 Apps and the App Store



- 3rd party and internal web parts
- May be hosted on a different server

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Demo – SharePoint Apps

SharePoint Store

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Supporting Smart Devices

- That BYOD and Smart Devices thing
  - There are more mobiles in the world than PCs
  - People will try to access the portal on Smart Devices
- SharePoint 2013 offers a number of optimised views to support Smart Devices

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SharePoint 2013 – support for Smart Devices

- Out of the Box
  - PC View
  - Classic (same as 2010 mobile view)
  - Contemporary View
- Custom Options
  - HTML 5 support - Responsive Web Design
  - Device Channels

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PC View on a Mobile

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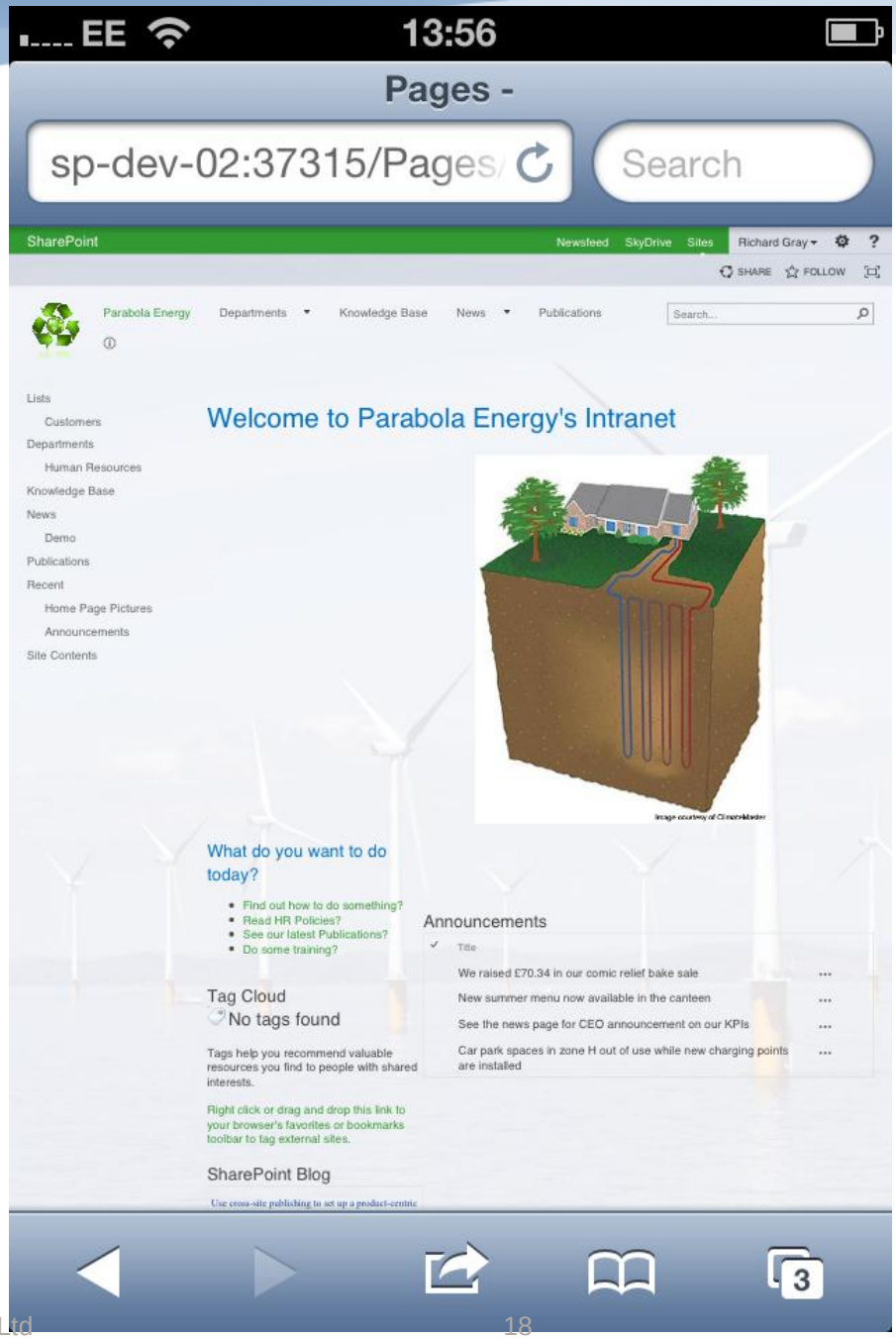

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Classic View for Mobiles

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Contemporary View for Mobiles

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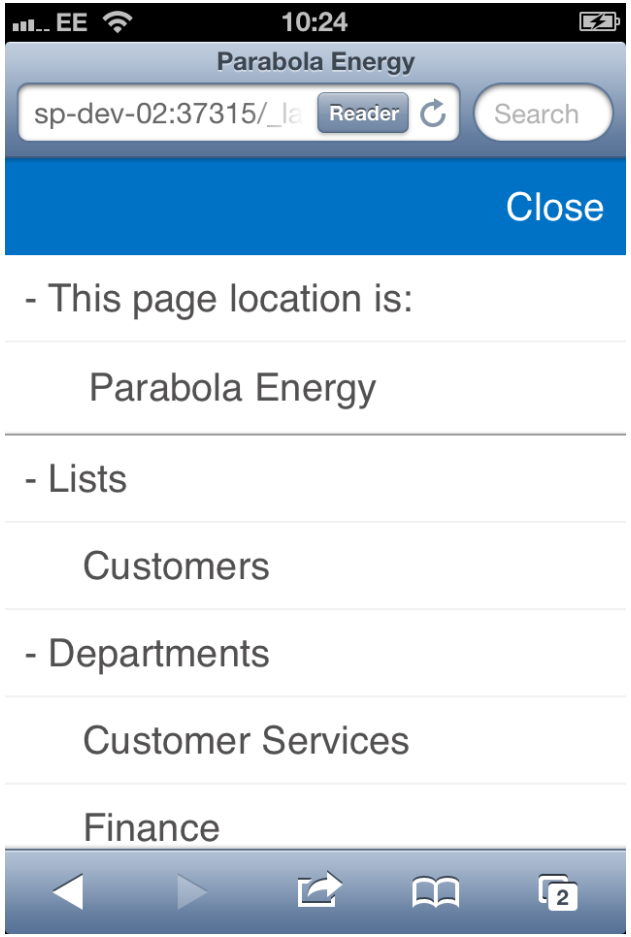
Contemporary View – iPhone



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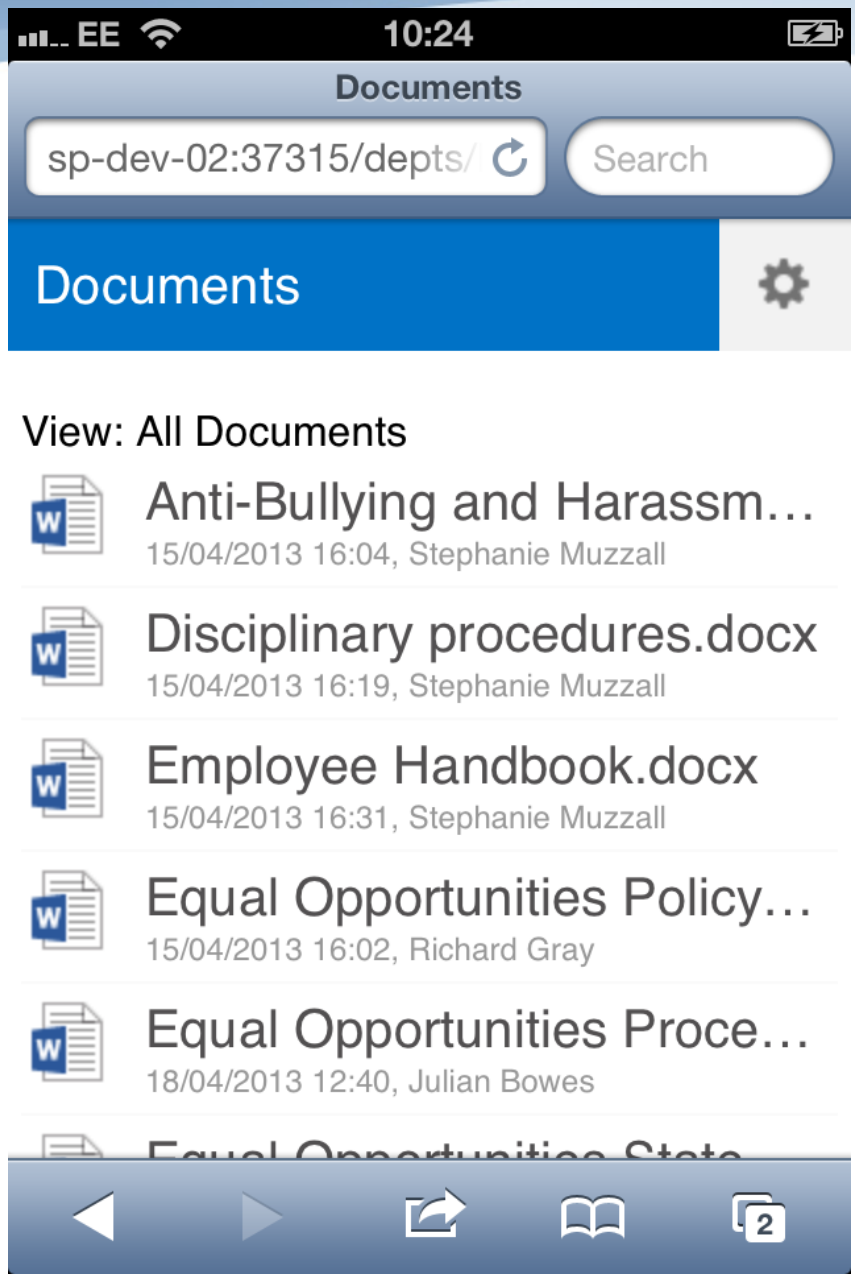

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Custom options view for Smart Devices

- Device Channels
- Responsive Web Design using HTML 5

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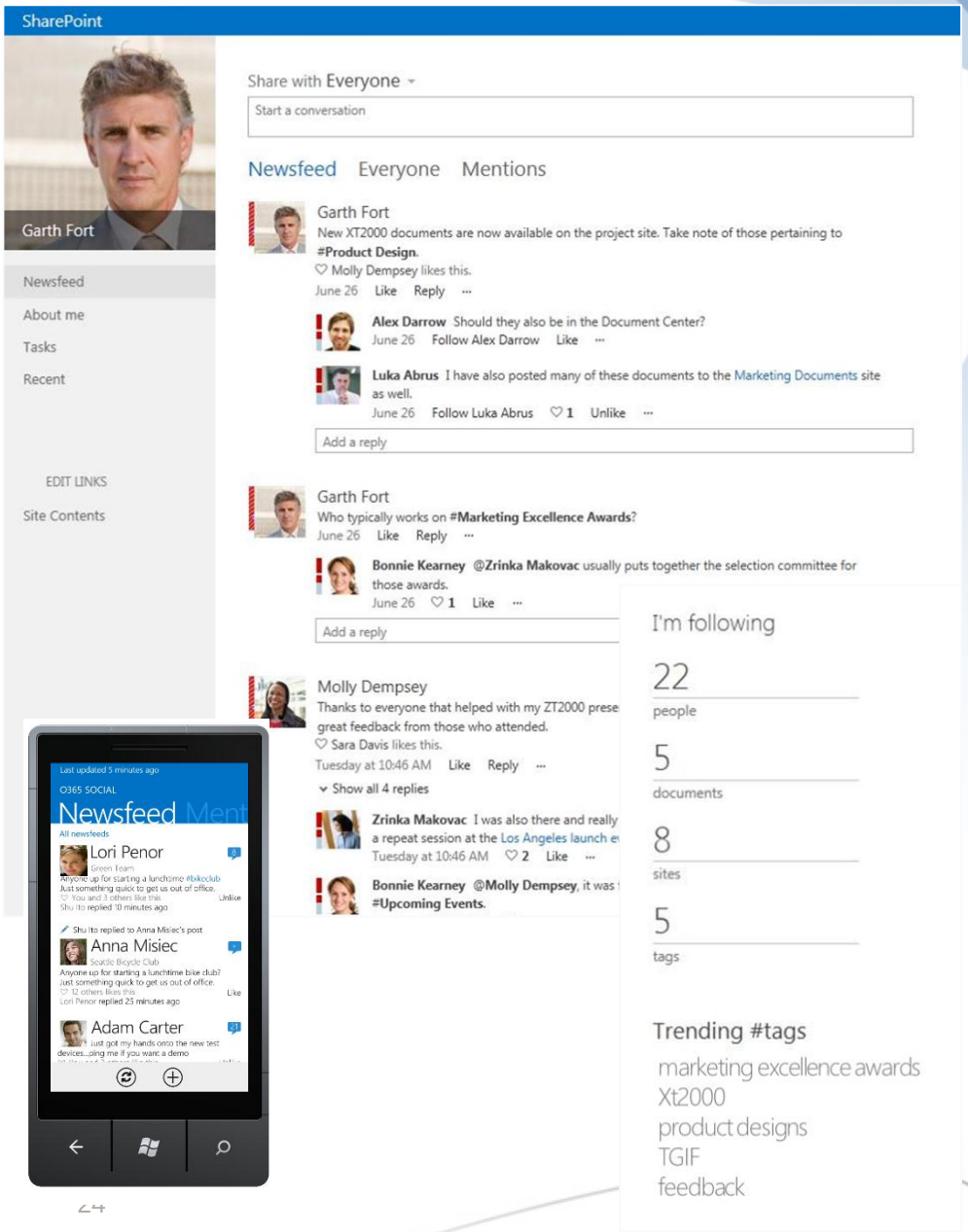
A company social network

- Harness your employee's knowledge
- Find expertise
- Encourage collaboration



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Community Sites for Collaboration

- Discussions
- Members and Gamification
  - Reputation
  - Badges
- Moderation

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