



WD-40 MANAGE AND REPORT ACROSS THEIR PROJECTS IN REAL TIME, WITH ONE CLEAR VERSION OF THE TRUTH.

In 1953, a fledgling company of three, working in a small lab in San Diego, CA. set out to create a line of rust-prevention solvents and degreasers for use in the aerospace industry. It took them 40 attempts to get the water displacing formula worked out; and they must have been good, because the original secret formula for WD-40® - which stands for Water Displacement perfected on the 40th try - is still in use today.



INDUSTRY
Chemical

LOCATION
UK & USA

CHALLENGE
Deliver a no-nonsense efficient approach to manage and report across projects and make strategic decisions.

PRODUCTS & SERVICES
Project for the web, Project Online, Power Apps, Power BI Pro

RESULTS
Consistent project management. Improved project outcomes. Better informed and faster business decisions. Improved productivity.

WD-40 were looking for a no nonsense, efficient approach to manage and report across their portfolio of projects. Very much a Microsoft house, WD-40 looked across their Microsoft 365 environment to see what was available.

CPS worked with WD-40 to provide guidance across the possibilities of:

1. Planner (already in use)
2. Project for the web
3. Project Online
4. Azure DevOps (already in use)

Project for the web was quickly chosen as the solution that could be quickly made available and configured. CPS was selected to implement and provide an on-going managed support service.

One of the key success factors is adoption, and the user experience delivered.

CPS delivered an end-to-end service, kicking-off a successful deployment that WD-40 are beginning to roll-out across the organisation, beginning in the UK

focusing on:

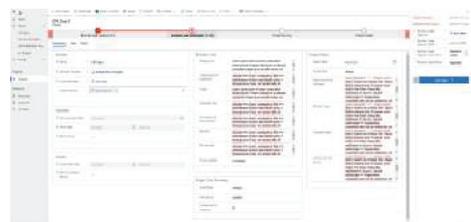
1. Business analysis
2. Technical delivery
3. Adoption / training

These capabilities were deployed via configuration of the following toolsets:

- Project Plan 1 – Project for the web
- Project Plan 3/5 – Project Online
- Power BI Pro
- Power Apps

Project for the web was extended using a Power App to enable the capture of additional data including:

1. Business case details
2. Project status to drive highlight reporting
3. Project stage gate process



Power BI reporting report currently reports from **Project for the web**. This is soon to be augmented with data from Microsoft 365 Planner via a Power Automate integration, with data being stored in the Common Data Service (CDS).



“CPS has supported deployment of a solution which provides the team with one clear version of the truth, allowing access from anywhere by authorised users. Project for the web, Power BI and Power Apps, provide information to drive delivery of our project efficiently and effectively, as well as our Continuous Improvement approach and learning. The system supports a one team ethos and makes it easier to take strategic decisions.”

Sam Giles, WD-40

A word from the team...

“CPS worked jointly with us to provide a solution that answered the question – what’s the current / now status of our projects – and can that be easily accessed, 24/7 by stakeholders? The tools allow us to view project data - schedules, status updates and business case - in real time and provide a user friendly view of the latest status.”

Omar Warrak, WD-40

“CPS works with customers to think strategically about their outcomes. WD-40 has an open culture and that allowed the two organisations to work in a way that enabled the deployment of cutting-edge technologies to support WD-40’s outcomes. CPS was able to provide services that supported one version of the truth; with WD-40 using a common set of data to make strategically aligned, informed decisions.”

Christopher Pond, Commercial Director, CPS



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