



Unified Communications

A presentation for the DFP Committee

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Flexible Working

- Within the NICS flexible working tends to mean things such as:
 - Flexi time
 - Part time
 - Term time
 - Career Breaks
 - Special leave
 - Flexible working patterns





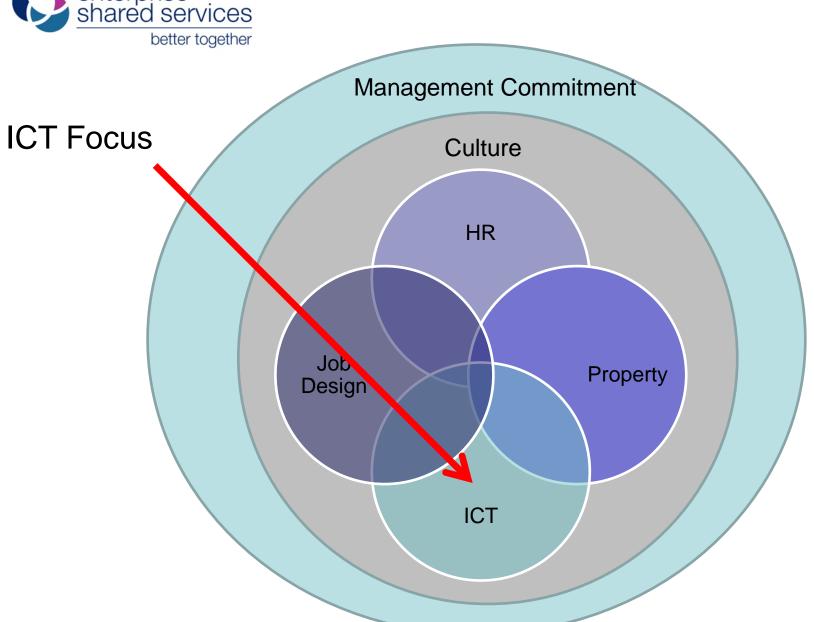
Agile Working

 Agile working is about work styles. The ability to work from any location at anytime.

"Agile working is about bringing people, processes, connectivity and technology, time and place together, to find the most appropriate and effective way of working to carry out a particular task. It is working within guidelines (of the task) but without boundaries (of how you achieve it)".

Paul Alsop – The Agile Organisation



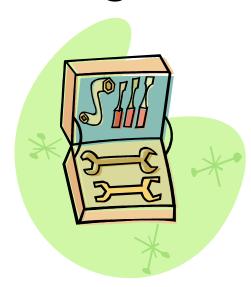




NICS Technology toolkit to support Agile Working

- NetworkNI
- IT Assist
- Secure Remote Access
 - 3G Mobile
 - Home ADSL
 - Personal Broadband
- BlackBerry Service
- Unified Communications (UC)

A set of technologies which can be combined to support agile working patterns and work styles





UC Consists of...

Main Components

- Email
- Voice
- Voicemail
- Presence
- Instant Messaging
- Telepresence \ VC
- Audio Conferencing
- Video calling
- Online meetings
- Application integration

Extended capabilities

- SMS
- Mobile UC
- Social media integration
- Integration with Internet based services such as Jabber Video and Skype
- Inter business federation





Key Benefits

- Replacement of aging technology
- Business Continuity
- Better communication and collaboration
- Support for flexible and agile working
- Integration capabilities





IP Telephony (IPT)

- Telephony modernisation project
- Leverages investment in NetworkNI and ITAssist
- Rolled out to over 16,000 users
- Another 12 to 18 months to run
- New features made available including
 - Extension mobility
 - Single Number Reach
 - Access to voicemail via Outlook
 - Meetme conferencing facilities
 - Better information on callers and call history
 - Better voice quality





Video



- Integration of existing and new video conferencing capabilities
- Leveraging the investment in NetworkNI, IT Assist and IPT
- Significant improvements in quality and ease of use
- Integration of video capabilities including room based systems, PC based systems and video telephony
- Consistent and easy connection to external sources and locations
- Better reporting and statistics



Instant Messaging and Presence (IM&P)

- Features include:
 - Instant Messaging
 - Presence
 - Voice integration with handset
 - PC Based Voice
 - HD Video
 - Voicemail Integration
 - Ability to participate in multi-way video conferences in HD
 - Leveraging the investment in NetworkNI, IT Assist and IPT





Demonstration

- Basic video telephony
- Basic Instant messaging
- Group IM
- Conference call
- Group video
- Scenario based demonstration

