

PUBLIC LIAISON AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Progress report from Paul Morris 18 July 2007

I've downloaded the technical manual for Joomla from the main website (<http://www.joomla.org>). It's 183 pages long and not as clear as I'd like, but I've already got a rough idea of the answers to our questions, which I will firm up over the next week.

To be absolutely sure of how it works, I'd probably need to download the software myself, but it looks quite involved and I'm not sure I have the time. I will have more time in the three weeks between the committee meeting and next full council meeting, so I may try it then. In the meantime, I'll make sure I have all of the answers we need regarding Joomla and the KCC parish site, nicely documented ready for Thursday 26th.

By the way, Ravenswood IT is an unrelated company which is not responsible for Joomla itself but has written an optional "add-in" component for it - specifically, the Directory or "mini-site" component. This goes by the rather dull name of "UHP2", and, as detailed on their website, it is the free version of this component that has the restriction to five pages per site. There are a great many of these add-ins available (listed here: <http://extensions.joomla.org/>), so in theory there are many ways in which wyeweb could be customised should the need arise.