



Voice next steps training manual

**Introduction to layout and
content boxes (includelets)**

Introduction to page layouts

Content Item

Your Content Item is your main webpage content. When you are typing text or adding other information in the Edit tab for the page, this is the box you are adding information to. You must have a Content Item on every page.

The screenshot shows the 'Sorrel test Page' editor. At the top, there are tabs for 'Index', 'Edit', 'Layout', 'Relations', 'Permissions', and 'Publishing'. Below these are 'Preview' and 'View Live' buttons. The main content area is divided into three sections: 'Content', 'Scratch', and 'Trash'. The 'Content' section contains a 'Content Item' box with 'Add includelet', 'Configure', and 'Copy' buttons. A pink arrow points from the 'Content Item' box in the 'Content' section to the 'Content Item' box in the 'Scratch' section. The 'Scratch' section also has an 'Add includelet' button. The 'Trash' section is empty. Below the main content area, there is a 'Current template' section showing 'One column' as the selected template, with a 'Change' button. Below that, there is a 'Choose a page template' section with radio buttons for 'One column', 'Two column left', 'Two column right', 'Three column', and 'Five area'. A pink arrow points from the 'Change' button to the 'One column' radio button.

Scratch

Move includelets to Scratch if you want to save them as drafts.

Trash

Move boxes to Trash if you do not need to save them. They will be deleted and no longer available the next time you log in.

Current template

You can change your template to have more than one column available. However, most of the time you do *not* need to use this feature. Having one **Content** column is enough. This is because you will normally use includelets to structure your pages.



What are includelets?

'Includelets' are boxes that can display information such as text, images and videos in a variety of ways. They are used to structure webpages more effectively and dynamically.

Includelets can display:

- ✓ snippets of information from other webpages
- ✓ grids of images or other media
- ✓ Information from applications e.g. display the latest events from your calendar
- ✓ information to automatically appear on all pages within a section or across the whole site e.g. a newsletter sign up at the bottom of every page, without having to manually add the sign up to every page

Custom Content

The Custom Content offers the same editor as your webpage. You can use it to add text between the other includelets to build your webpage.

Home Home page

Index

Edit

Layout

Cancel and go back

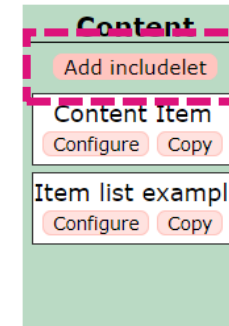
Pick an includelet for the

- ▶ **Audio Asset**
An audio file from the Assets l
- ▶ **Background Begin**
Select a colour or full width in
- ▶ **Background End**
Used to mark the end of the a
- ▶ **Carousel, Accordion, or Grid**
A Carousel, Accordion, or Grid item opens it up in a modal.
- ▶ **Child List**
A list of links to pages below t
- ▶ **Community Information**
Display info about your comm
- ▶ **Contact Information**
Display your site's contact info
- ▶ **Content Item**
Displays the content you adde from the edit tab twice, or bec
- ▶ **Content Item Metadata**
Shows some extra info about
- ▶ **Contributions**
Displays the latest forum post
- ▶ **Custom Content**
Places some custom WYSIWY



Adding and saving any includelet

1. Go to the layout tab of the page you would like to edit
2. If the page is published with no changes, you need to click on the link 'Create a new revision to make changes' to open the layout tab for editing.
3. Click on the pink button 'Add includelet'
4. Select the includelet you would like to add to your page
5. Complete the fields or commands for the includelet
6. Save changes when you have finished
7. Go to the Publishing tab to publish the latest version (revision) of the page by clicking on the pink Publish button



Revision History

Live	Revision	Creation date	Created by	Published at		
	#52011115	2024-04-22 14:38	Sorrel Parsons	2024-04-22 14:38		
	▶ #50638017	2023-11-29 11:50	Sorrel Parsons	2024-04-22 14:34		
	#50637364	2023-11-29 11:16	Sorrel Parsons	2023-11-29 11:16		

To edit an includelet, double click on the white box to open it.



Moving and deleting any includelet

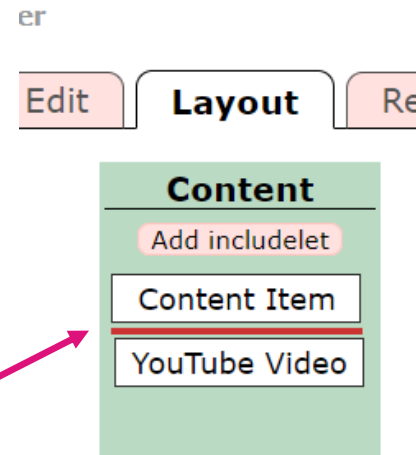
The following options are available to you:

1. Move it up or down the webpage
2. Move it to Scratch (save, not visible to visitors)
3. Move it to Trash (permanently delete)
4. Move it to a different column

To use the options above:

1. Click to create a new revision if needed
2. Click and hold on the includelet
3. Drag it to your chosen position
4. Release when a thick red line appears (this will automatically save its position)
5. Publish under the Publishing Tab or in the Edit tab.

Remember: Never remove the Content Item from the Content Column as this is the main body of your page (what you see in the Edit tab)



YouTube or Vimeo includelet

Everything marked with a * is a required field.

* Display mode

[i] Inline puts content directly on page, Panel puts it in a box

Panel ▾

* Panel colour

[i] Standard colours defined in the Bootstrap theme

Default (usually grey) ▾

Title

[i] Leave blank for no title

Description

[i] Leave blank for no description

* YouTube video id or URL

Aspect ratio

Natural (as source) ▾

CSS class

[i] CSS Class to use - leave blank for default.

* Inherit this includelet to subpag

No ▾

Save changes

Aspect ratio

Natural (as source) ▾

Natural (as source)

Square

4x3 (postcard)

16x9 (widescreen)

2x1 (wider)

3x1 (very wide)

NO

1. Choose a display mode. Panel will surround your video with a coloured line. Use Inline to have a transparent background.
2. If you are using a Panel, choose a panel colour in the dropdown box
3. Title: leave blank for no large title above your video. Leave blank for videos at the top of your page, for example, where you already have a page title showing in full
4. Description: if you want to put some text before the video displays
5. YouTube video id or URL: Copy and paste the YouTube share link into the box. You do not need an embed code. Just the link e.g. <https://youtu.be/HMhOaQnaF48>
6. Aspect ratio: natural as source will place a small video on the page (about half the page's width). 16:9 will make the video the full width of your page



Carousel, Accordion, or Grid includelet

You can add and position individual images and text using this includelet:

- ✓ Carousel: sliding from one item to another. You can set the timing and whether the images fade into one another
- ✓ Grid: One to six items being shown side by side (one to three on mobile devices)
- ✓ Accordion: items in a pop down menu. Each item closes to reveal the next (good for questions and answers on a page)

* Display type

Carousel

*Carousel is an animated
Accordion shows the title
Grid shows each item in*

Time between items

5

How long to pause, in seconds

Transition type

Slide

Slide

Fade

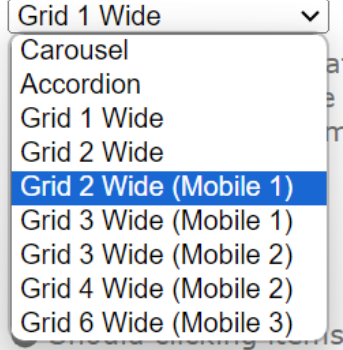
to move from one slide to the next

Carousel: steps 1-3

1. Carousel is the default option in the Display type drop down list
2. You can slow down or speed up the Time between items: you may want to leave it as a default of 5 seconds for pictures only but slow down if including text, so that your visitors have time to read the information
3. Transition stype: choose Slide for items that transition immediately to the next item. You can also choose Fade, which is best used for an image to fade away as the next image starts to be displayed



*** Display type**



*** Grid gallery**

Yes

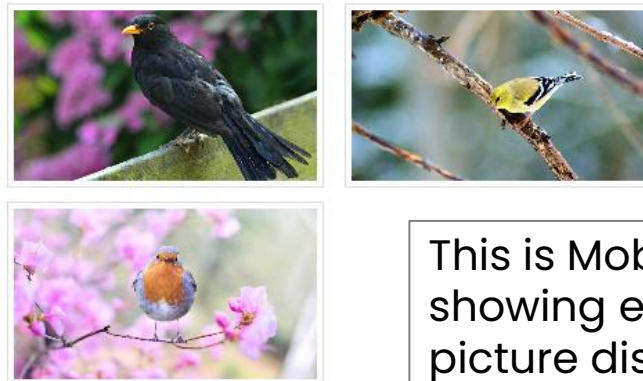
No

i Should clicking item
In gallery mode the

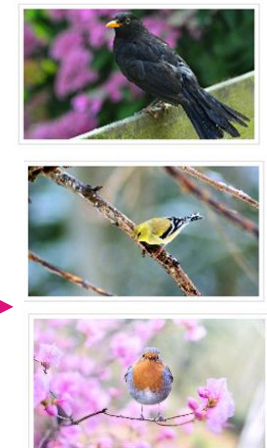
Grid: Steps 1-3

1. Click on Carousel to reveal the dropdown available options
2. Choose a Grid style. Mobile 1 means full screen on a mobile device. This means that if you choose Grid 2 Wide (Mobile 1) the Content Blocks you have added will show two Content Blocks side-by-side on a visitor's desktop device such as a laptop or a computer. On a mobile screen the second Content Block (on the right hand side) will drop down underneath the first item: each Item block will fill the screen.
3. Grid Gallery: If you choose Yes, your Content Blocks will open in a popup for your visitor. Best for images that you want to display in galleries.

This is a Grid 2 Wide as someone on a laptop would view it. Because three Blocks are added, the robin has dropped down and there is a space beside it where the fourth Content Block would be if I added one.



This is Mobile 1, showing each picture displayed underneath the other



*** Display type**

Accordion

i *Carousel* is an animated
Accordion shows the tit
Grid shows each item in

*** Accordion open**

Yes

No

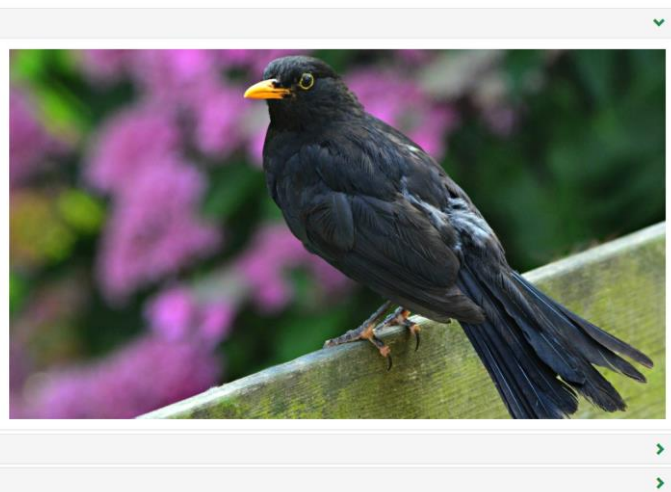
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Accordion: Steps 1-3

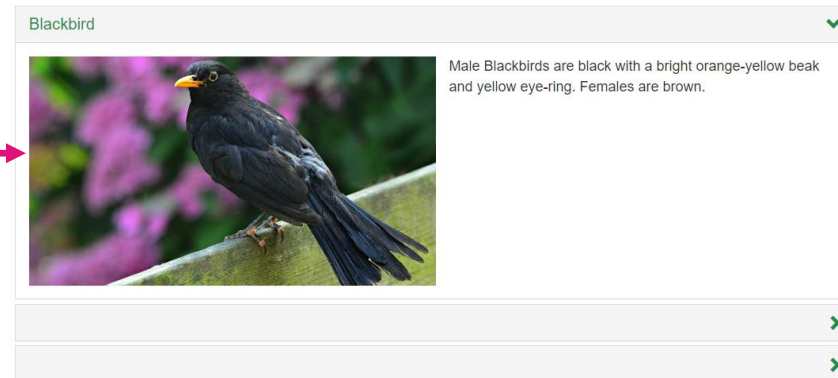
1. Click on Carousel to reveal the dropdown available options
2. Choose Accordion. This opens and closes each Content Block (item) as your visitor clicks. It's a way of condensing lots of information into a smaller space on your webpage.
3. Accordion open: Choose Yes or No options depending on whether you want your first item to show.

Example 1: Accordion with no title or description and Accordion open = No

Example 2:
Accordion
with no title
or
description
and
Accordion
open = Yes



Example 3:
Accordion with
title, description
and Accordion
open = Yes.
Content display
mode is 'Pictures
with text to the
right



*** Display mode**

Panel ▾

Inline puts content directly on page, *Panel* puts it in a box

*** Panel colour**

Default (usually grey) ▾

Standard colours defined in the Bootstrap theme

Title

Leave blank for no title

Content display mode

Pictures with text to the right (underneath when narrow) ▾

- Pictures with text to the right (underneath when narrow)
- Pictures with text underneath
- Pictures only
- Text only

Fixed aspect ratio

Natural (as source) ▾

- Natural (as source)
- Square
- 4x3 (postcard)
- 16x9 (widescreen)
- 2x1 (wider)
- 3x1 (very wide)
- 4x1 (veerry wide)
- 5x1 (veeerrry wide)

Top margin

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Display mode (all display types – carousel, accordion grid)

- As with most includelets, you can choose the Display mode to be in a Panel (with a line or coloured box around it) or Inline (transparent background)
- Use the Panel colour drop down for colours if you are using Panel mode.
- Title: you can leave this blank e.g. if this is at the top of the page directly underneath the page title
- Content display mode: how do you want the items to appear in your box on the webpage:
 - ✓ Pictures with text to the right (underneath when on a mobile device)
 - ✓ Pictures with text underneath
 - ✓ Pictures only
 - ✓ Text only
- Fixed aspect ratio: natural as source will keep images the same size e.g. portrait or landscape as they are when you uploaded them. You are likely to want to choose a specific ratio if you want your images to look even in a grid or carousel. Some ratios e.g. 5x1 (veerrry wide) will not work well in carousel or grid mode.



Content blocks

Add Content Block

Website Admin

Content Block

Image

Title

Description

Edit View Format Content Table

← → ABC Paragraph

Content blocks



9. Click on Add Content Block to add your pictures, text and links. Each image you want to display in a grid or carousel must be in its own Content block.
10. Select an image from the Assets Library if you are adding pictures
11. You do not have to add titles or descriptions e.g. if you are using Pictures only
12. Description: You have the same range of options on your toolbar to edit the description as you do in a webpage. This means you can also add text, images and links here. However, images are best only added here if you are using the Accordion mode.
13. Click on OK to save.
14. You can now add more Content Blocks.
15. Once you have added Content Blocks you can click on the Edit button to open up the block to make a change, or use the buttons to change the position of the Block by moving it up or down in the order., or to top and bottom.



Custom Content includelet

* Display mode

Panel ▾

Inline puts content direct

* Panel colour

Default (usually grey) ▾

Standard colours defined

Title

Blackbirds are finally here!

Leave blank for no title

* Show title

Yes

No

1. Custom Content can also be placed in a Panel or you can choose Inline from the drop down in Display mode (transparent background)
2. Title: you can leave this blank. However, it's useful to give this box a title as you can choose No if you do not want it to display. This is helpful when you are building a page of multiple custom boxes and want to know what they are!
3. You can also add an image to the left or right of your text in Content. First Select item from your Assets library.
4. Then choose the Graphic position. The options control how much space the text and image occupy.

Graphic

Select item Clear

Optional image to display

Graphic posit

Left 1/2 ▾

Left 1/4

Left 1/3

Left 1/2

Left 2/3

Left 3/4

Right 1/4

Right 1/3

Right 1/2

Right 2/3

Right 3/4

Full Width

Blackbirds are finally here!



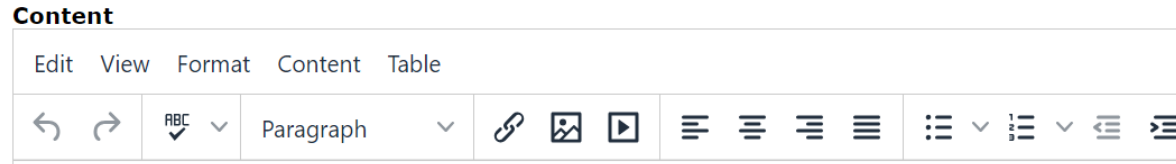
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Example: Graphic position left ½ Show title = Yes and Panel = Panel colour Default



5. Content: you have the same options in the editor as you do in the Edit Tab for your webpage. Please refer to the Beginners training manual.



6. Scroll down to Save changes. Go to Edit tab or Publishing to publish the Custom Content box on your webpage.

Blackbirds are finally here!

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Example 1: Display mode = Inline (no panel),
Show title = Yes, Graphic position = right 2/3,
Fixed aspect ratio = 4:3 Postcard



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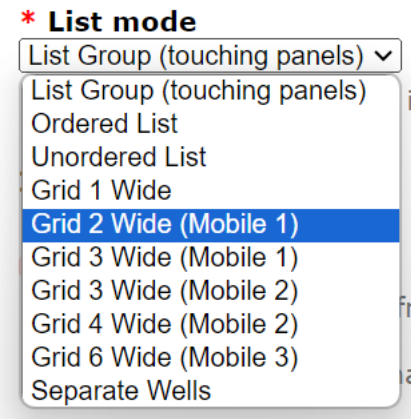
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Example: Display mode = Inline (no panel),
Show title = No, Graphic position = left 2/3,
Fixed aspect ratio = 2x1 (wider)



Item list includelet:

Create a list or grid, with images, to other pages on your site, or pages on external sites.



Items to display

Type **Title**

Add Page Add Other

i *Add Page* to add a p
will be displayed.
Add Other to add te

1. Not shown here (see other pages) but as with many includelets you can first choose to place your box on a transparent background (inline) or in a panel. Give it a title and description if needed.
2. You don't need to add a graphic.
3. List mode: Choose from a list (image on left, with text and link to the page on the right) or grid (multiple options for number of items to put side by side on desktop and mobile).
4. **Items to display**
 - a) Click on Add Page to choose which webpages you want to link to. This is for internal pages only.
 - b) Click on Add other to add links to external webpages.You can mix and match between external and internal webpages in a grid or a list.



Select an existing Content

- Home
- + News
- + About us
- + What we do

Items to display

Type	Title
Page	Our impact

Add Page Add Other

Add External Link - Google Chrom

e-voice.org.uk/superhighwa

Title

URL

Subtitle

Graphic
[Select item](#) [Clear](#)

Add Page: Steps 5 to 8

5. Click on a page title from your site map.
6. Click on the + sign to reveal any pages under the top-level items if required
7. Your page will now be listed under Type and Title
8. Add as many pages as you like under Items to display

Add Other (external webpage): Steps 5 to 8

5. Click on Add Other. A window will open with further fields to complete.
6. You must complete the Title field for the link to show
7. Paste the web address of the external webpage you want to include in your grid or list. You can add other information such as a subtitle if needed but it is not necessary. You can also add a Graphic by clicking on Select item (this will open your Assets Library).
8. Click on **Save item** before closing this screen or the page will not add to the Item list.



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*** Item display mode**

- Short Title
- Full Title
- Title and Subtitle
- Related Image
- Full

 How to display items in th

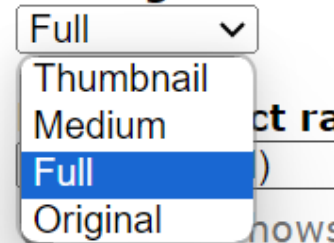
Extra display options

- Related Image
- Author
- Keywords
- Creation Date (header)
- Creation Date (footer)
- Left Align Subtitle
- Hide Read More Link

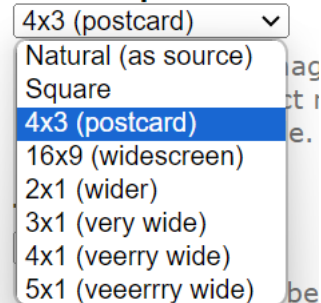
 Extra options for some dis

9. Use the up and down buttons to change the order of items in your Item list (you can also remove and edit here).
10. Item display mode: How much information would you like to display in your Item list e.g. The full title of the webpage. If you choose Related image there will be no text on display: the images will link through to the individual pages
11. Extra display options: If you want an image to show you must tick the Related image box. The page you are linking to must have an image added to it in the Relations tab.

*** Image mode**



Fixed aspect ratio



10. If you are displaying images for the pages you are linking to, you can choose the Image mode to be Thumbnail, Medium, Full or Original. Thumbnail is small size and is best suited to List styles rather than grids.
11. Fixed aspect ratio: as with other includelets you can force images (if you are displaying them) to be a consistent size such as 4 x3 (postcard)

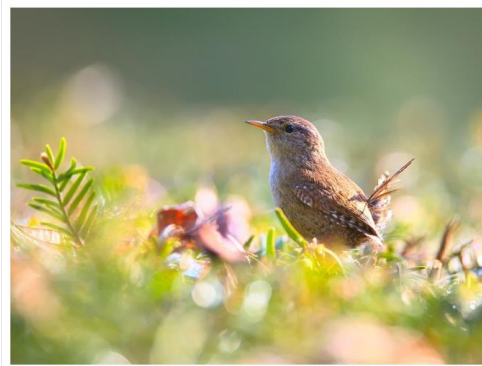




Our impact

More birds in gardens, loads more foraging workshops

[Read more »](#)



RSPB

An example of an external link to the RSPB website

[Read more »](#)

Example 1: No title or description. List mode = Grid 2 Wide (Mobile 1), Items = 1st item is Page, 2nd Item is Other, Item display mode = Full title and Subtitle, Extra display options = Related Image

Example of Item list

It looks quite different doesn't it!

[Our impact](#)

[Annual reviews over the years](#)

Example of Item list

It looks quite different doesn't it!



Our impact

More birds in gardens, loads more foraging workshops



Annual reviews over the years

Here's some of our annual reviews where you can find out more about our impact



Team

Something about our team here



Trustees

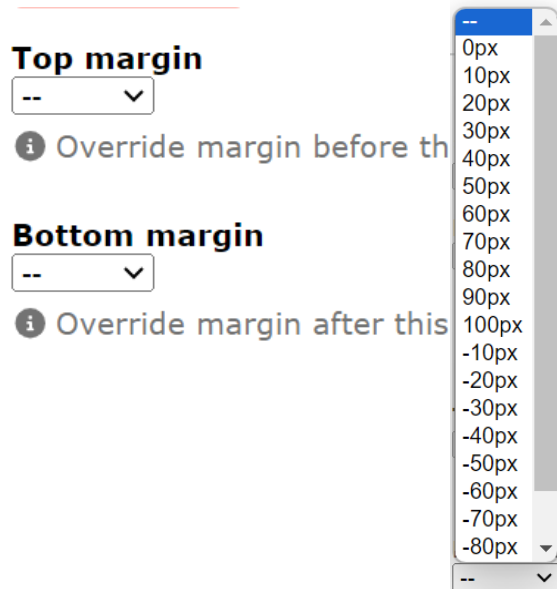
Here's some more people

Example 2: Title and Description completed. List mode = Grid 4 Wide (Mobile 2), Items = Page (x 4), Item display mode = Full title and Subtitle, Extra display options = Related Image and Hide read more link, Image mode = Thumbnail, Fixed aspect ratio = Square

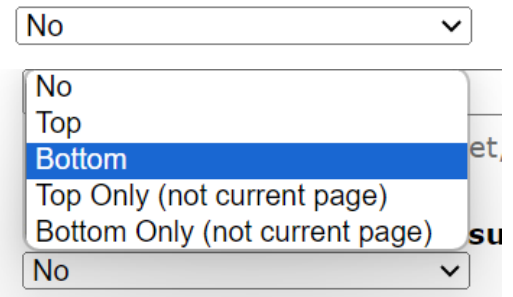
Example 3: Title and Description completed. List mode = Separate Wells, Items =Page (x 2), Item display mode = Full title, Extra display options = None



Margins and inheriting: all includelets



*** Inherit this includelet to su**



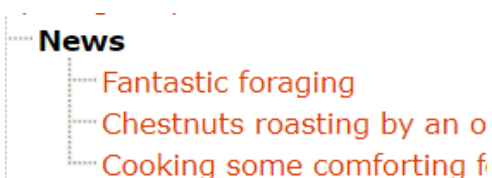
1. In the drop down of Top margin you can add some extra space between this includelet and the one above it.
2. In the Bottom margin you can add some additional space between this and the includelet after it.

Margins are not usually necessary, as your theme will have adequate spacing that is applied automatically. Increasing and decreasing margins are more typically used alongside background colours.

It is also useful for decreasing space between includelets and the navigation bar.

Inheriting includelets to subpages

If your includelet is useful to display on every page below another in your site map you can use the drop down to replicate on each page.



In this example, I could add a Custom Content includelet with a link to sign up for a newsletter that displays on my News page and the Bottom of all news story pages e.g. Fantastic foraging



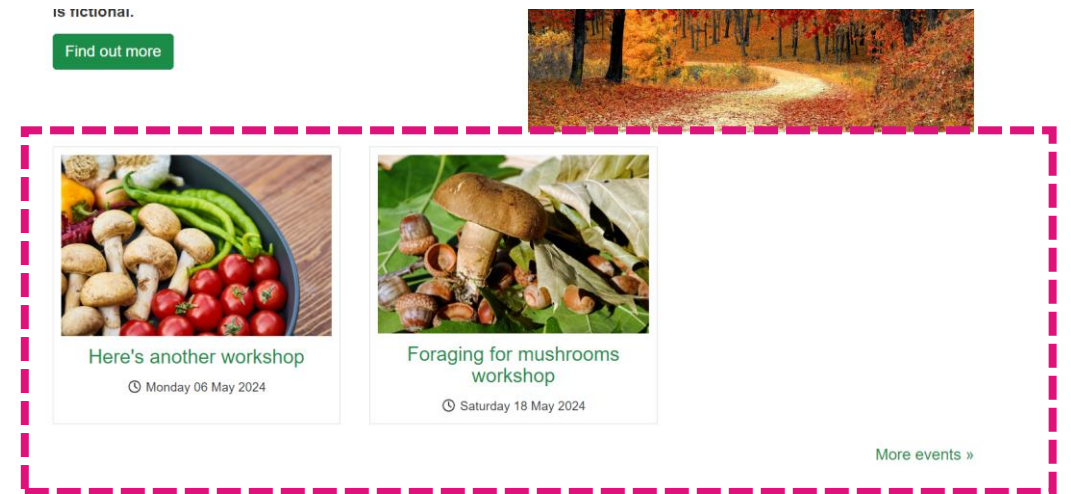
Includelets and applications

Some Applications e.g. Events Calendar offer related includelets that display information from them

For example, if you are using the Events Calendar, you can use the corresponding Upcoming Events includelet as shown on the right.

In addition to the event title, The includelet can show the image and a short bit of text from the description in the event.

Applications with includelets are:



Example: Upcoming Events as a grid of 3 on a Home page (there are only two live events). Display mode = Inline. If you want to display an Upcoming Events includelet as a grid it needs to be Inline, you cannot have a Panel style.



Further resources and help

Training and advice for small charities and community organisations in London:

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www.superhighways.org.uk

Further help:

1. [Voice documentation](#)
2. [Forums](#)
3. [User Groups](#)

