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Archiving Hull City of Culture: linking Hyrax and Archivematica

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Hull

A city in [the North](#) East of England consisting of 10 per cent [chavs](#) (also see [chav](#)).

"Damn, that's the biggest [gathering](#) of [chavs](#) I've ever seen!"

"What do you [expect](#) in Hull?"

by [Becki](#) February 04, 2005

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A higher percentage of people in Hull are on the dole than anywhere else in the UK - and other depressing facts

"People really got behind the response was really everyone's got a humour - especially the people who live in Hull," Mr [Name] told BBC News Online.

- TEN 'WORST TOWNS'**
- ♦ 1 Hull
 - ♦ 2 Cumbernauld
 - ♦ 3 Morecambe
 - ♦ 4 Hythe
 - ♦ 5 Winchester
 - ♦ 6 Liverpool
 - ♦ 7 St Andrews
 - ♦ 8 Exeter
 - ♦ 9 Slough
 - ♦ 10 Huddersfield

VIEWS OF HULL

Some towns cannot be preserved. Save their inhabitants instead

Print edition | Leaders >

Oct 12th 2013

PRE-2017

Hull and Grimsby 'among worst placed' for economic woes

9 September 2010

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Hull voted the LEAST romantic city in the UK



EdmundPartisan, Windsor - UK, 5 years ago

None of those cities were appropriate for a cultural event, but especially Hull. Any cultural festival should be held in London.



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The UK City of Culture



The UK Government awards the title of UK City of Culture every four years

➤ In 2017 the title was awarded to Hull

The title is conferred for a four year period, but there is a focus in the first year on showcasing the culture of the city and using culture as a means to stimulate re-generation and growth.

➤ Over 2,800 events across the city throughout the year



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“ “ The story of a city **finding its place in the UK**, a city **coming out of the shadows** and re-establishing its reputation as a gateway that welcomes the world. The story is of Hull – a city that is **proud of its people** and wants to share its sense of **freedom and space** with the rest of the UK ” ”

2017 Hull Tell the World: “The countdown has begun”, 2014



2017





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The records



- Various depositors, including the university and artists, with the Culture Company being the biggest
- Almost exclusively digital
- Main systems we are harvesting records from:
 - Asset Bank (DAMS) c18,000 HQ photos and videos
 - SharePoint c80,000 organisational records
 - Box
 - Email



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Journey towards an archive

- Business case made to the University
- Production of archive part of the University's commitment to supporting City of Culture
- Collaborative relationship with Culture Company
- Centered tender around use of Samvera
- Design with a view to expand to other archives





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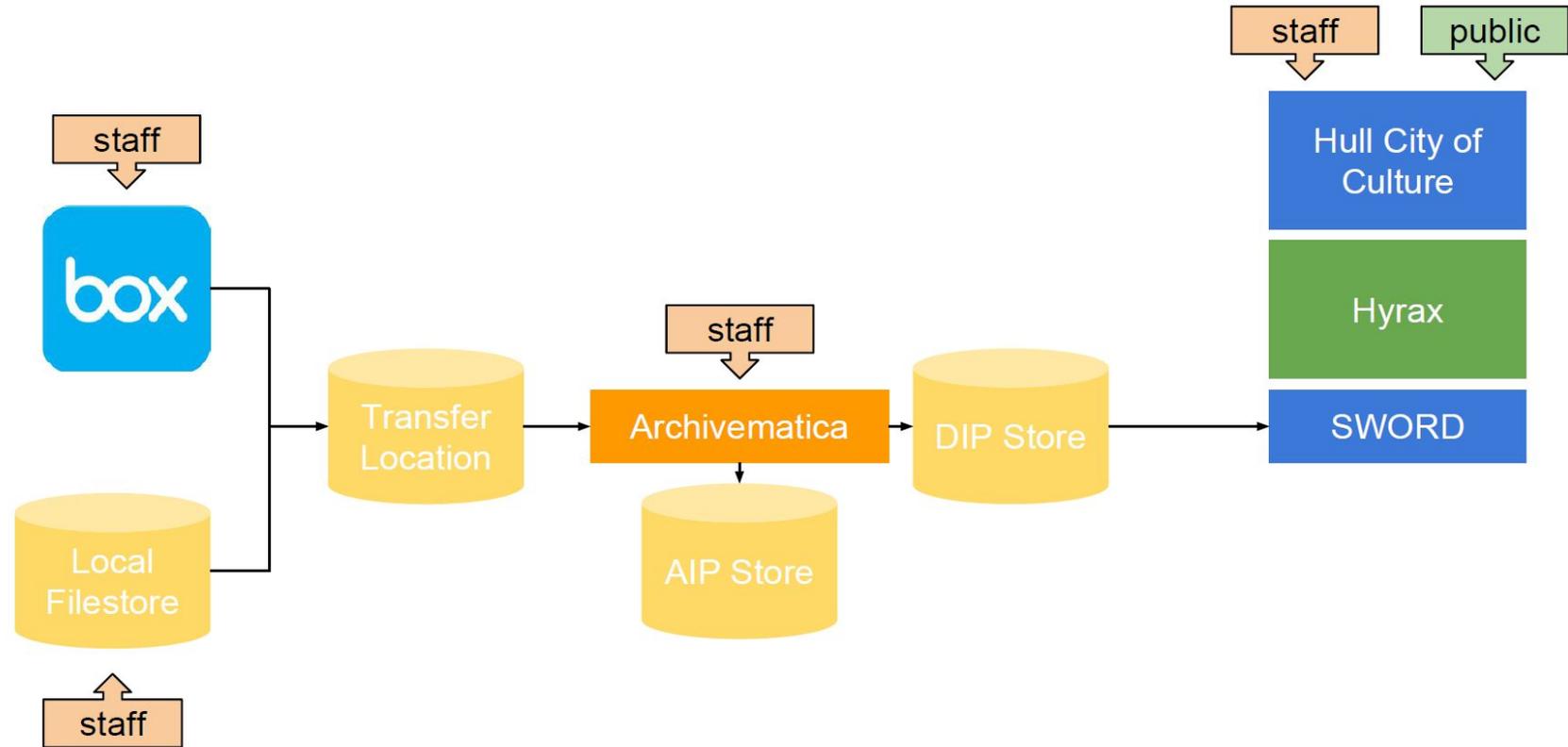
Designing a Solution

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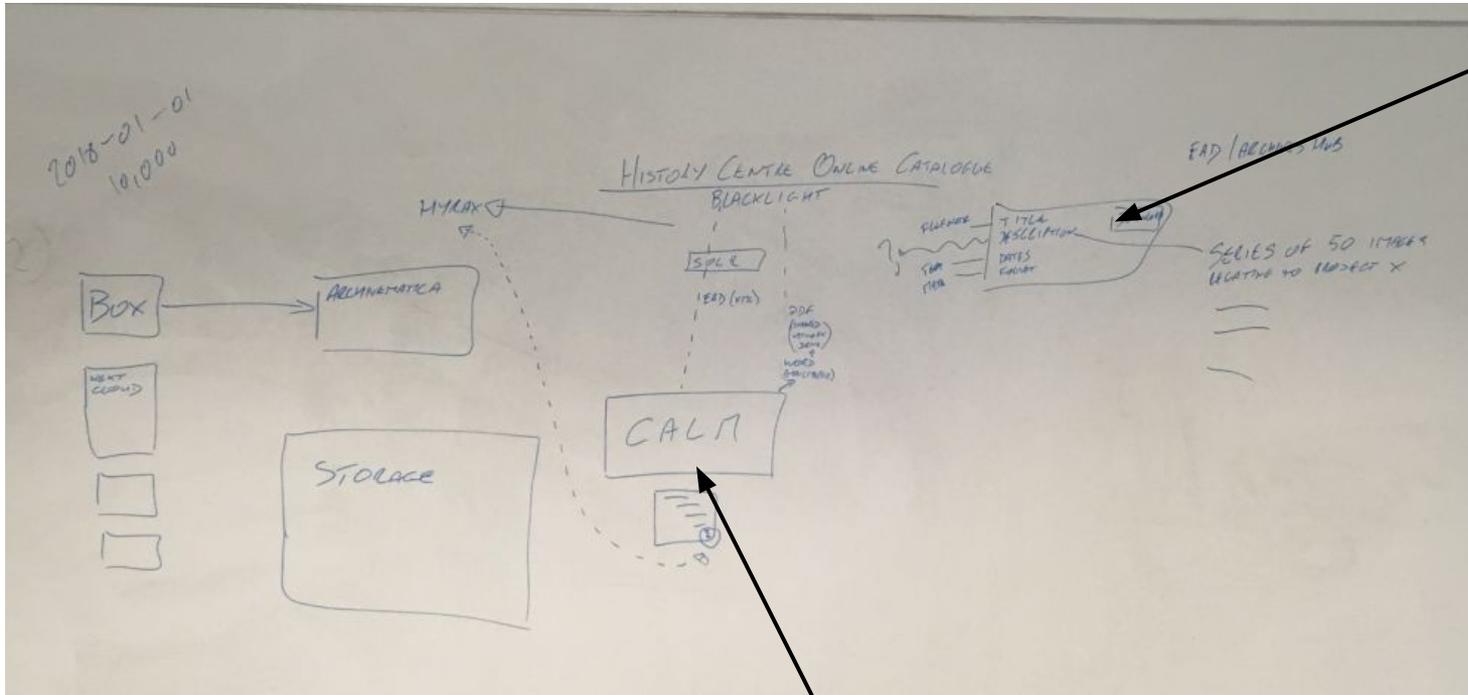
The Brief: Build a Digital Archive for Hull City of Culture



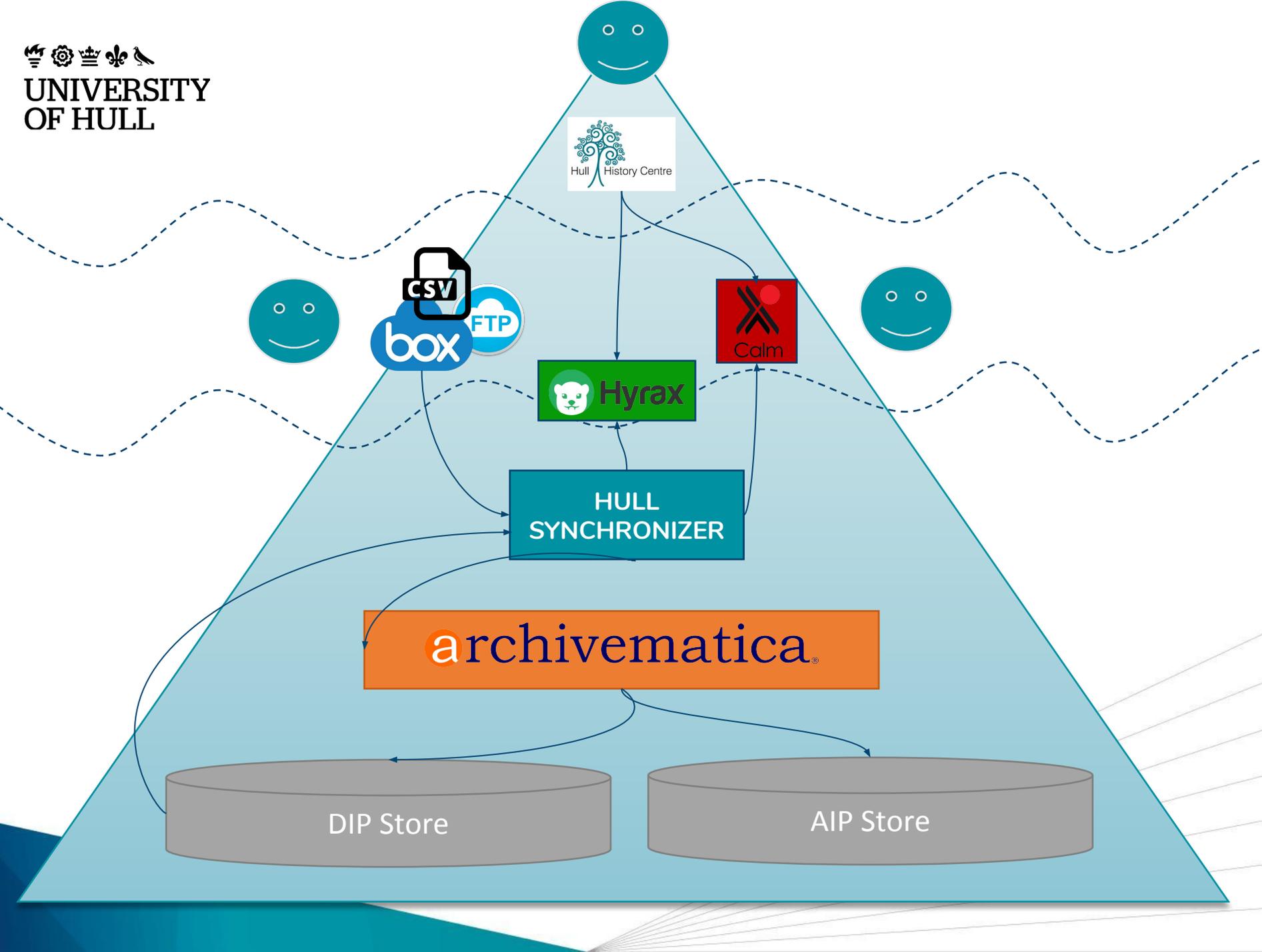
(preferably using Samvera and Archivematica)

Then we talked ...

Hull History
Centre
Catalogue
(Blacklight)



Archives
Cataloguing
(CALM)





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item_1/
file_1.tiff
file_2.docx
item_2.pptx

description.csv

HYRAX
package
item_1
item_2

CALM
collection_1
item_1
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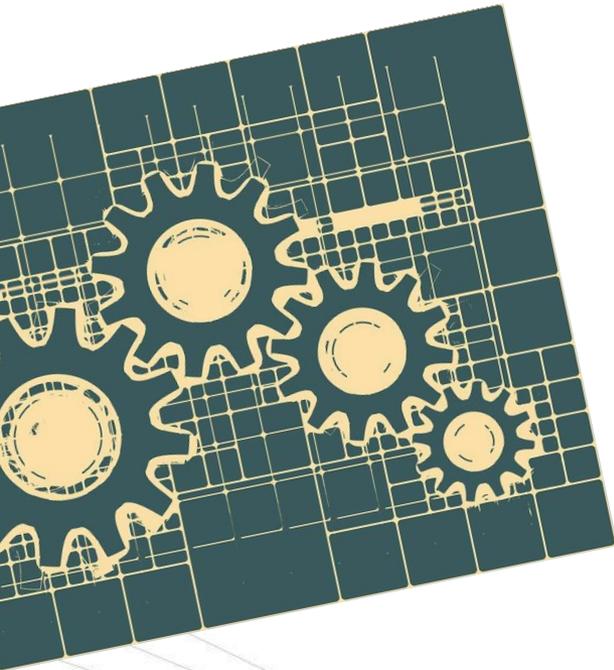
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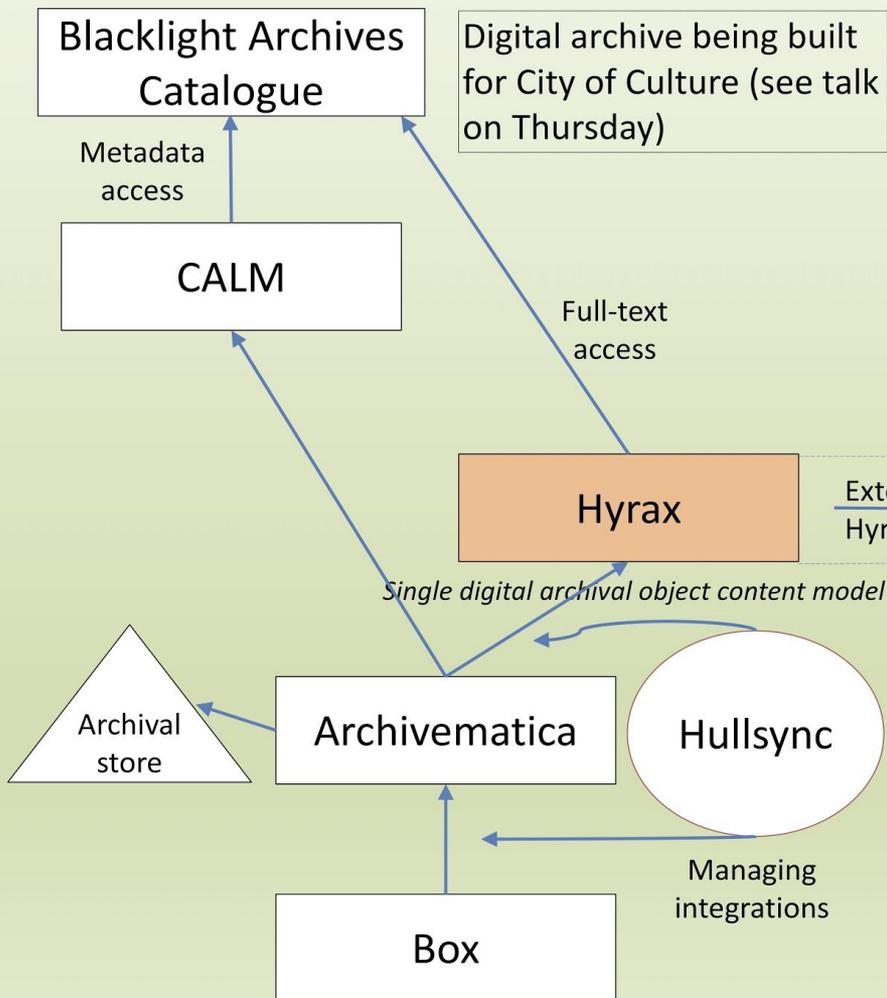
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What this approach to the archive will deliver

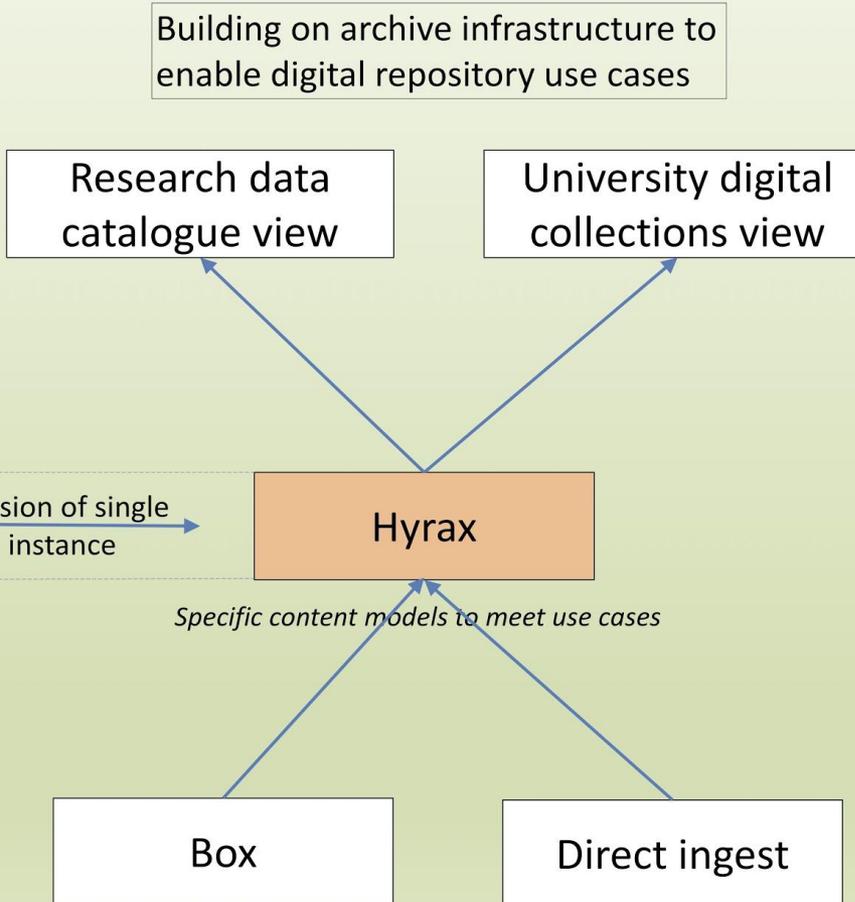


- Keen to use open source – customisable, flexible, tap into existing communities, exercise control
- Desire to provide access to range of users – academic, artistic response, local reminiscence...achieve this through integration with our existing systems
- Scope to extend to other University of Hull digital collections (see poster)

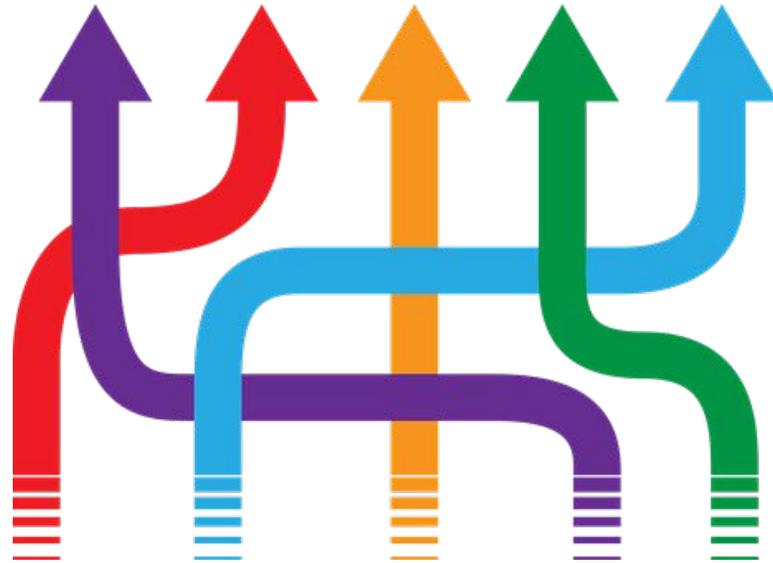
Digital archive infrastructure



Digital repository infrastructure



Next steps



- Archival steps
 - Appraisal / cataloguing / access
- Technical steps
 - Identify the best way of delivering the project as a service re: hosting, support and ongoing development
- Business steps
 - Establish the business case for service delivery
 - Link archive to broader collections management
 - Identify revenue opportunities through provision of service



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Thank you

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