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**DIGIT B**  
**Project Office**  
*A Project Office with  
Service to Projects*

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- Stakeholder Engagement
  - The Service Model

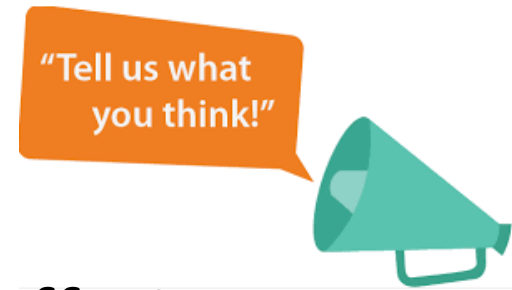


- **Solid Relationship**
- **Sense of ownership**
- **Long term customers**

# The Project Manager



1. Project office **adds value** to project managers
2. No **additional** overhead
3. Published **catalogue** of service offerings
4. Limit set of services initially and **do these well!**



- What are **my** top **3** desired services?
- Which service is **best** for **my** projects?

- Engaged PM Community
- Established Credibility
- Clear Requirements



Graphic from Currie Communications

# The Service Model





On-boarding:  
*Introduction to  
DIGIT B*



Project Jump  
Start:  
*Approval to Execution*



Stop Fighting  
Fires:  
*Risk & Change  
Management*



Portfolio  
Thinking:  
*Improve  
Communication &  
Alignment*



Project Health  
Check:  
*A Fresh Pair of Eyes*



Successes &  
Shortcomings:  
*Project Closure  
Retrospectives*

# On-Boarding Service Example



On-boarding:  
*Introduction to  
DIGIT B*

- Are you a **new** project manager at DIGIT B?
- Do you know what services are **available** in DIGIT B?
- Do you need PM<sup>2</sup> or Agile Methodology **training**?
- Do you need **advice** on how to use corporate PM tools?
- Are you familiar with **DIGIT B process** touchpoints?



# Fresh Pair of Eyes Service Example



Project Health  
Check:  
*A Fresh Pair of Eyes*

- Do you need a **sounding board**?
- Is there an **indication** your project may not succeed?
- Do you continuously report project as "**amber**"?
- Does the project team know the **top ten risks**?
- Do you have contingency plans for your project  
... **just in case**?





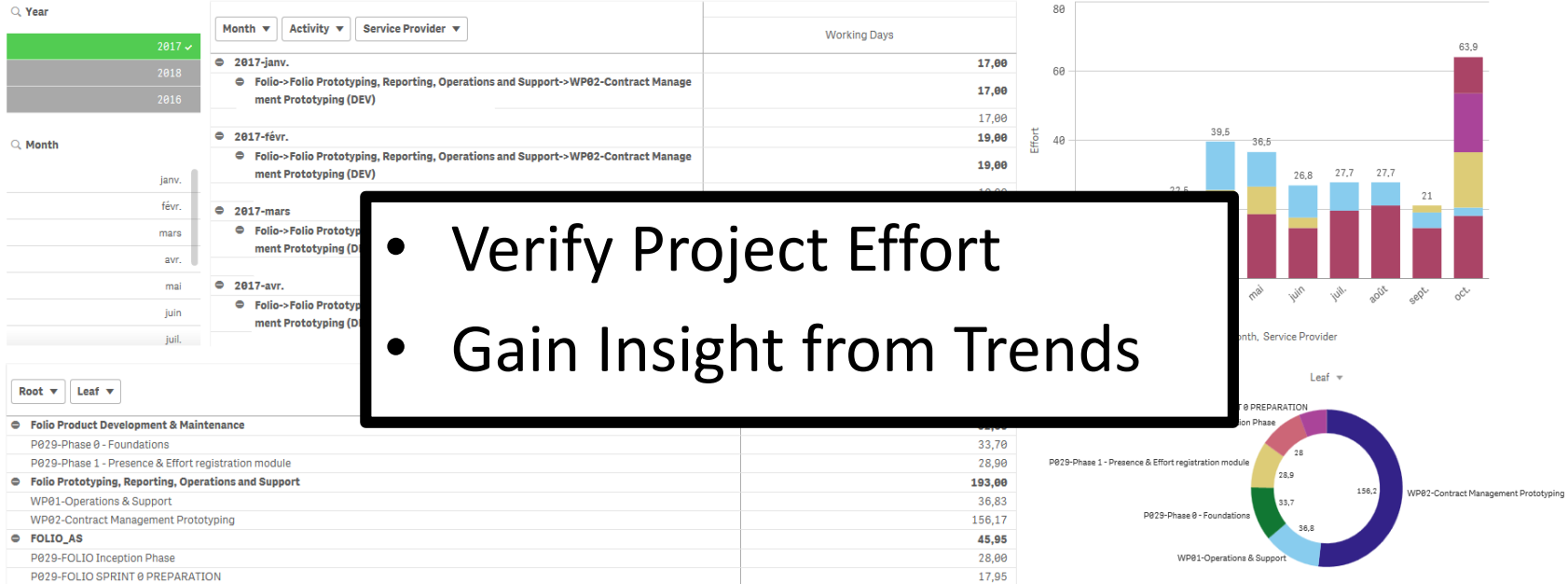
- Interactive Session
- Collaboration Effort
- Consultant Mission

The Project Office enables the sharing of experiences, best practices and challenges amongst DIGIT B project managers.



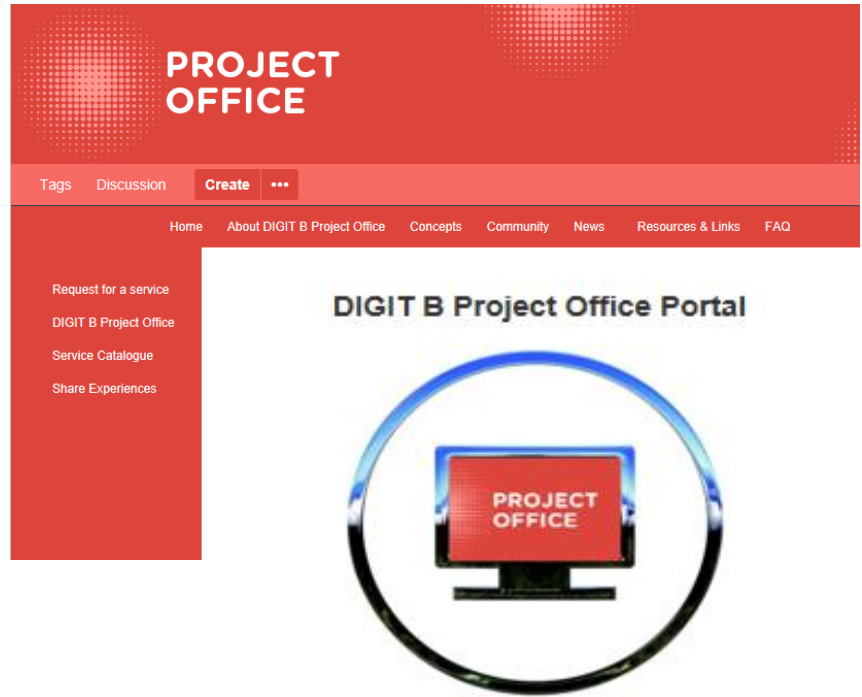
# PM Reports: Manage Project Data

## Monthly Effort Control - Service Provider (by DIGIT B Project Office)



- Verify Project Effort
- Gain Insight from Trends

- Project Office Wiki
- Service Request Process
- Published Catalogue



- Engaged PM Community

**Ownership and Collaboration**



- Built suite of services

**Most frequent and significant challenges**

- Invested in our Long Term Customers

**The Project Managers**





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