

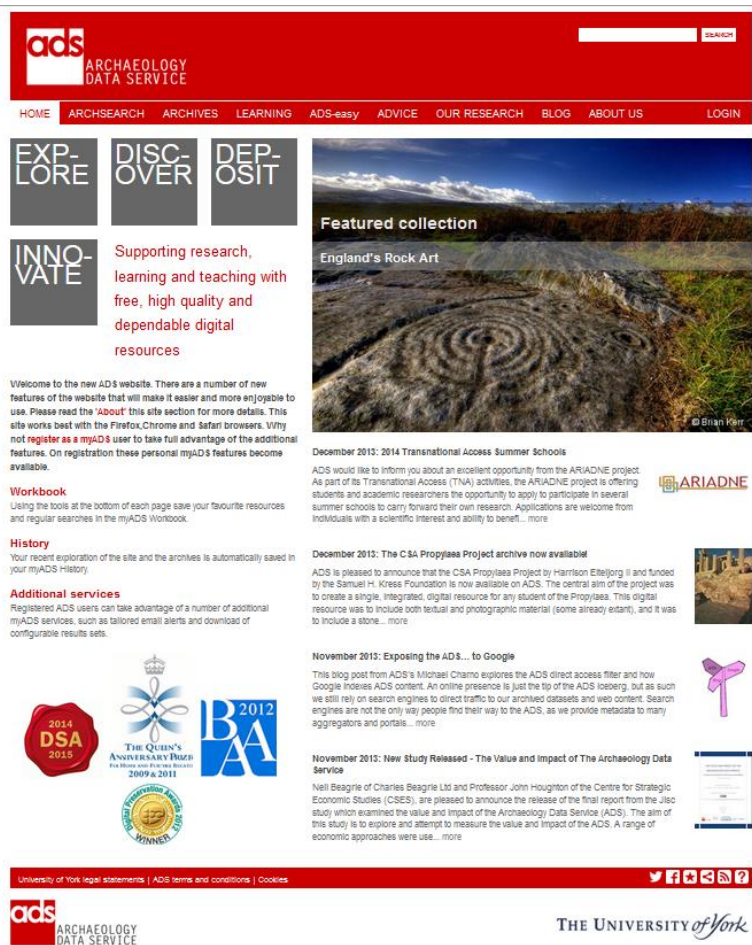
Digital Preservation as Business as Usual



The OASIS Project 1999-2017 and beyond

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The ADS: Who we are and what we do



The screenshot shows the ADS website homepage. At the top is a red header with the ADS logo and navigation links: HOME, ARCHSEARCH, ARCHIVES, LEARNING, ADS-easy, ADVICE, OUR RESEARCH, BLOG, ABOUT US, and LOGIN. Below the header are three main sections: 'EXPLORE' with a 'DISCOVER' button, 'DEPOSIT', and 'INNOVATE' with a text box stating 'Supporting research, learning and teaching with free, high quality and dependable digital resources'. The 'Featured collection' section highlights 'England's Rock Art' with a photo of a rock art site. Below this are several news items: 'December 2013: 2014 Transnational Access Summer Schools', 'December 2013: The C&A Propylaea Project archive now available', 'November 2013: Exposing the ADS... to Google', and 'November 2013: New Study Released - The Value and Impact of The Archaeology Data Service'. At the bottom, there are logos for the 2014 DSA, The Queen's Anniversary Prize, and BA 2012, along with social media links and a footer with the University of York logo and legal statements.



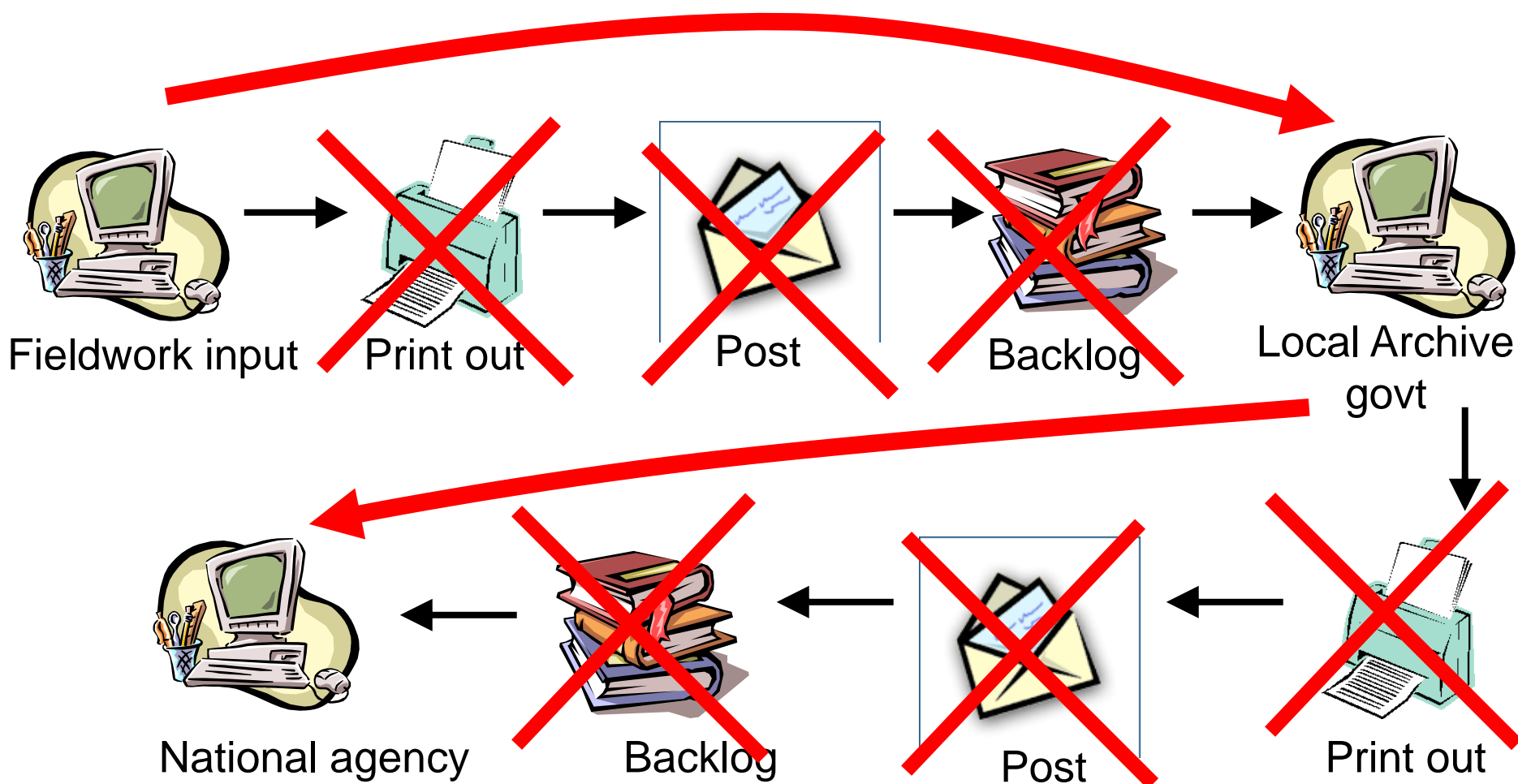
- Founded 1996
- Department of Archaeology, University of York
- Collections
 - 1,100,000 metadata records
 - 40,000+ unpublished fieldwork reports
 - C.1000 rich data archives
- Guides to Good Practice
- DPC Decennial Award 2012
- Data Seal of Approval



Overview

- What is OASIS?
- Why is it relevant?
- Establishment
- Uptake
- Key Points for Project Outset
- Key Points for 'Business as Usual'
- Review and improvement

What was OASIS?



What is OASIS now?



Why is oasis relevant to today?

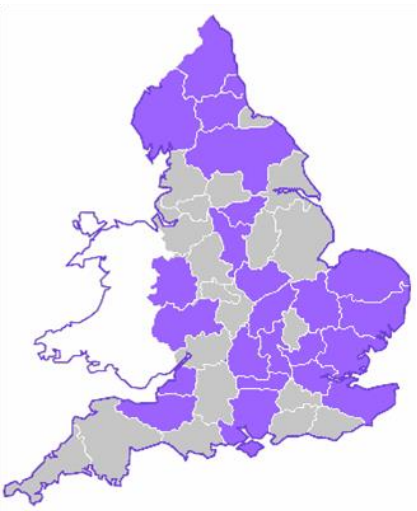
- Access to metadata and data for research purposes and other re-use
- Multi-agency co-operation
 - Owner-operator
 - The ADS
 - Funding and Training
 - National Agencies (Historic England and Historic Environment Scotland)
 - Participants
 - 82 + Local Government Services
 - Over 550 Historic Environment 'Contracting' Organisations
 - Over 1000 individual logins

110 Archaeology
 A1 Archaeology Ltd
 AC archaeology Ltd
 AD Archaeology Ltd
 ARCA
 ARCHAS Cultural Heritage Ltd
 Aberdeen City Council Archaeological Unit
 Absolute Archaeology
 Acer Consultants
 Adrian Lisney Partners
 Aeon Archaeology
 Air Photo Services
 Albion Archaeology
 Alex Rosen Associates
 Alexander Thomas
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 Allen Archaeology Ltd
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 Archaeologica
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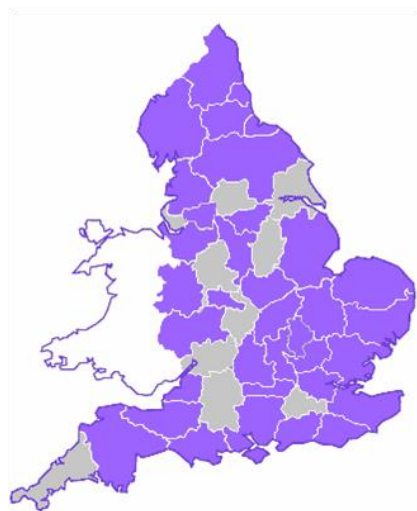
Establishment

- Pilot project – 2003
- Workshops / Training Days / Talks
- Management Board and Working Party with key stakeholders
- Endorsement
 - Association of Cathedral Archaeologists, National Trust, MoD Archaeologists, English Heritage Inspectors of Ancient Monuments, Volunteer Archaeologists / CBA, Universities, ALGAO, ...
- Carrots and Sticks...

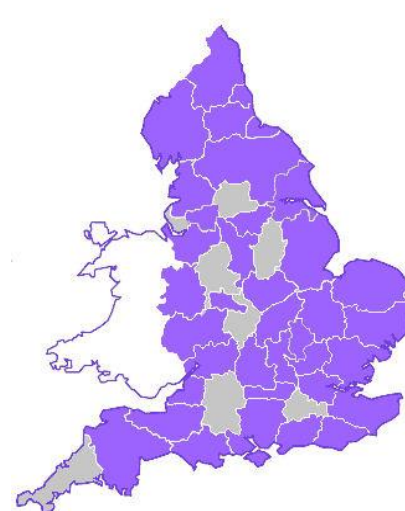
Uptake



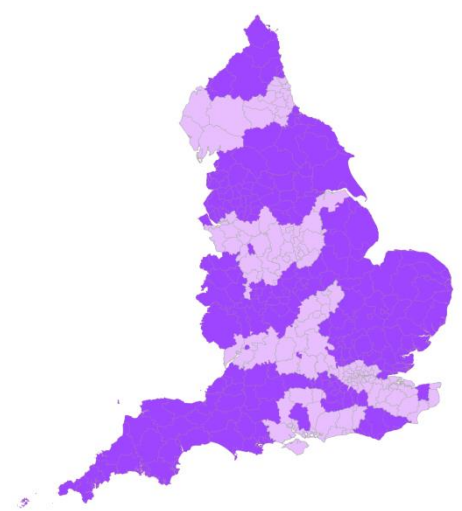
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2008



Now

Key Points: Outset

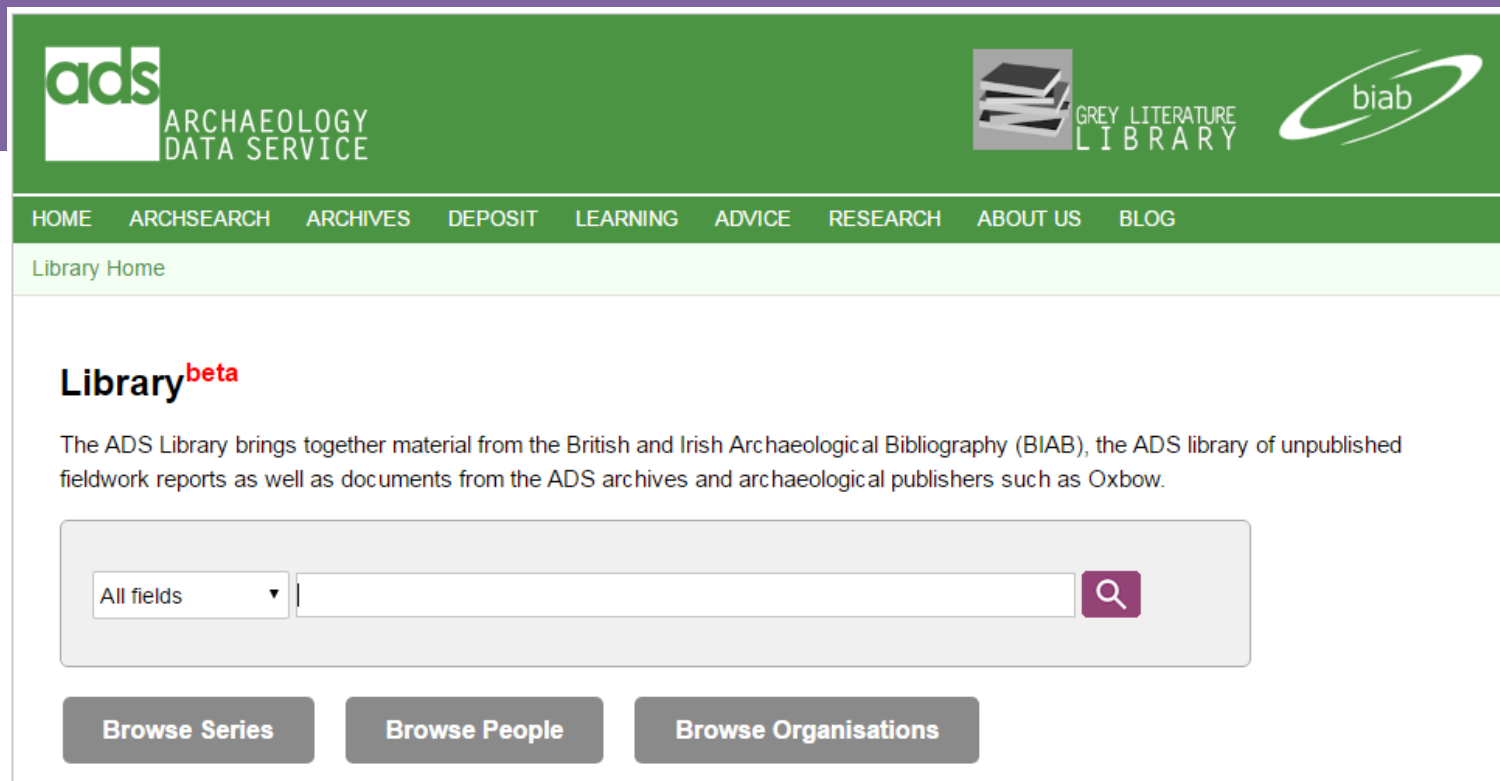
- Clear governance and commitment from outset
- Funding: 'Free' at the point of **use** (i.e. no deposit charge)
 - Key because people are donating time already, and time is money
- Free at the point of **access**
 - Key because the participants are also the users

Archives are a solution, not a problem!

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... have your eyes on the prize, with a nose to the grindstone...



Staff time saved by no longer needing to:

- check copyright / permission to disseminate on a case-by-case basis
- copy / scan then email / post reports
- help visitors find paper reports
- Report retrieval time via the HER is almost instantaneous for files held by the ADS
- Future maintenance of this system will be minimal as each report has a DOI

Library > Browse Series > Issues

Transactions of the Cumberland & Westmorland Antiquarian & Archaeological Society

Cumberland and Westmorland Antiquarian and Archaeological Society

ads ADS Digital Resource

ADS Collection DOI: <https://doi.org/10.5284/1032950>

Primary Contact: Patricia Garside email



Details

Browse

Introduction

Cumberland and Westmorland Antiquarian and Archaeological Society was founded in 1866. The Society first published its Transactions (TCWAAS) in 1874. Fifteen volumes were published up to 1900 and from then it became an annual publication. Each volume of TCWAAS contains a collection of edited papers on various topics relating to both the history and the archaeology of the area.

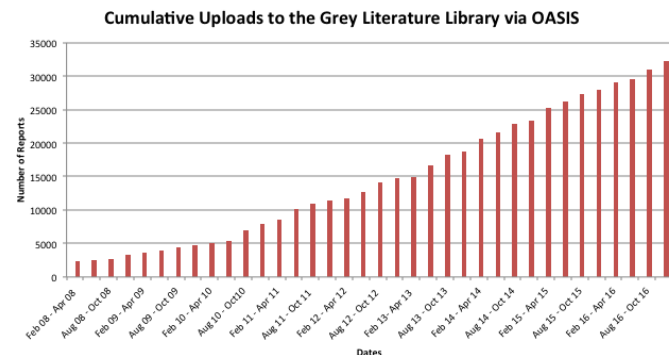
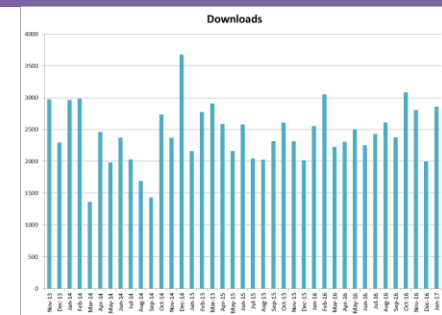
From the first, the Society embraced Lancashire-over-Sands, despite the geographical focus of its name; so when, in 1974, that area of Lancashire was officially absorbed into the new administrative area named Cumbria, the change made little difference to CWAAS affairs.

The Society funds historical and archaeological research with grants to volunteer groups, schools, museums and academic/professional researchers. Operates a website, www.cumbriapast.com, with accessible heritage information. Supports local historical societies in studying the historical environment. Holds study days, lectures and visits. As well as publishing Transactions, a respected annual journal, the Society publishes books and tracts.



Key Points: The Mindset

- Know your participants
- Know their work processes
- Exploit peer pressure and word of mouth
- Pitch for the participant, not the project
- Know your system from your users eyes
 - Track & interrogate helpdesk enquiries
 - Track and interrogate use



Current News

Archived news

Archived news 2012

- Double nomination for MOLA in the Current Archaeology

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3D Archaeological Society

This is the homepage of 3D Archaeological Society, a society of keen amateur archaeologists of all ages and experience.

Latest event

Yorkshire Air Museum

The Yorkshire Air Museum is the largest independent air museum in Britain and is also the location of The Allied Air Forces Memorial. Situated in a 20 acre parkland site on the former World War II Bomber Command Station at Elvington near the City of ... ([Read more...](#))

Next Meeting

Thursday 20th February 2014
Professor Julian Richards
"Viking Torskey"

The Meeting Room, Wetherspoons,
Parliament Street, Harrogate
7pm for a 7.30pm start
Contact Robert on 01423 522567 for further details.



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Hillforts Atlas Project

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Project Aims

Meet the Team

Information on Hillforts

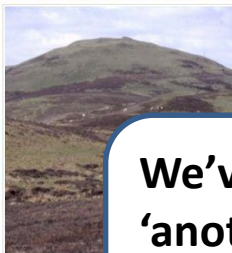
The Survey of Hillforts

Online Hillforts Survey

An Atlas of Hillforts in Britain and Ireland

Hillforts are one of the most prominent types of prehistoric monument across many parts the British Isles and Ireland as well as being the most obvious legacy of the Iron Age period. Despite fieldwork and changing interpretations of these iconic sites they are still poorly understood in terms of documenting and analysing the variation in characteristics and form across regional and national boundaries.

The Atlas of Hillforts Project has just been awarded £950,000 from the Arts and Humanities Research Council to try and remedy this situation. The Project will collect, collate and present data on hillforts across the UK and Ireland providing, for the first time, an integrated resource to serve research into this important monument type. It will run for four years from September 1st 2012 and has Researchers and PhD students based in both Oxford (responsible for England and Wales) and Edinburgh (responsible for Scotland, Northern Ireland and Ireland).



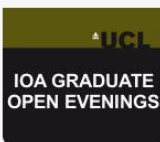
We've almost found
'another Roman
Britain'" – Prof M
Fulford

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LANDSCAPES OF GOVERNANCE ASSEMBLY SITES IN ENGLAND, 5TH-11TH CENTURIES



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- > Recording Meeting-places
- > Guide to Completing the Proforma
- > Place-names and assembly sites
- > The team
- > Events - Conference 2011
- > Publications and Papers
- > Electronic Anderson

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and significant collections-to
satisfaction. He set himself an enormous task: to acquire comprehensive

ASSESSING THE RESEARCH POTENTIAL OF GREY LITERATURE IN THE STUDY OF ROMAN ENGLAND

STAGE 1 REPORT

For
ENGLISH HERITAGE

CA PROJECT: 2205
CA REPORT: 08002

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Full Circle



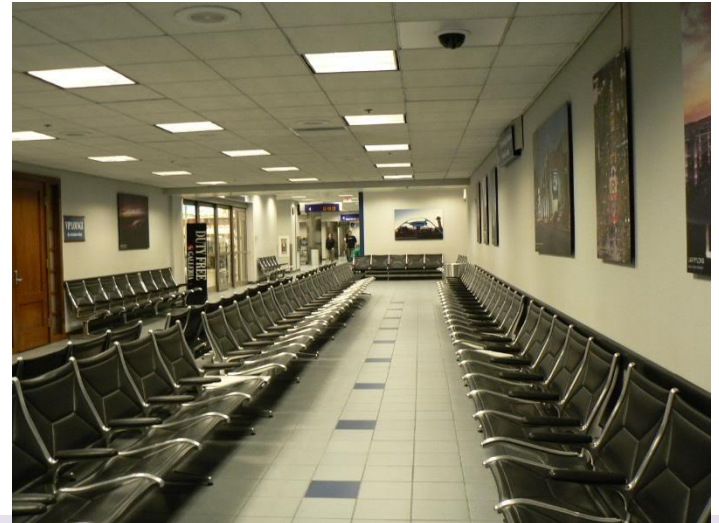
Our oasis
'transit
lounge' feels
about this
old...

And we still have some issues...



There's a problem of flow in and out of the transit lounge

And in some places it still isn't used enough!



HERALD aka OASIS v5

- Major overhaul planning has been going on for the last 3 years.
- System rebuild due to start this summer.



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