

PRODUCTION LOG

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MED526: Interactivity for Social Enterprise

This module provided an opportunity to work with a community partner using our skills to help them raise awareness of 5 key invasive species. This was achieved by using the skills we had developed during our studies and applying them to their project.

Project Specification

Using the Project Social module in Interactive Media create a motion or an infographic that identifies invasive species for the general public, including overviews, information on identification, how to report invasive species and how to prevent the spread.

Skills Required

Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Web Design, Coding, aftereffects, and the ability to function as a team to produce an effective final solution effectively and efficiently.

Aims from Module Guide

- An opportunity to work in a team.
- The ability to develop a sustained interactive production as part of a live brief.
- Knowledge of Social Enterprise and how to apply interactive media ideas/concepts to this area.
- The opportunity to draw together knowledge and skills that have been developed in pervious modules and apply these to a major project.

Time logs

During the project I attempted to accurately record and track the amount of time I spent working on this project. This allowed me to make sure I was spending enough time on the project and correctly allocating my greatest resource...my time.

Meetings	02 hours 35mins
Class time	21 hours 15mins
Team meetings	23 hours 10mins
Web Development	40 hours 30 mins
Production Log	10 Hours 5 mins
Benchmarking	06 hours
Total Time	103 Hours 35 mins

Research

The Demographic

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Benchmarking

To get some ideas for how the project should look and feel the group completed some benchmarking on several infographics, websites, and motion graphics.

Websites

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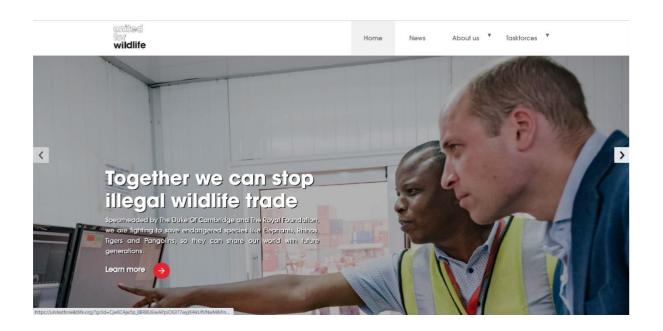
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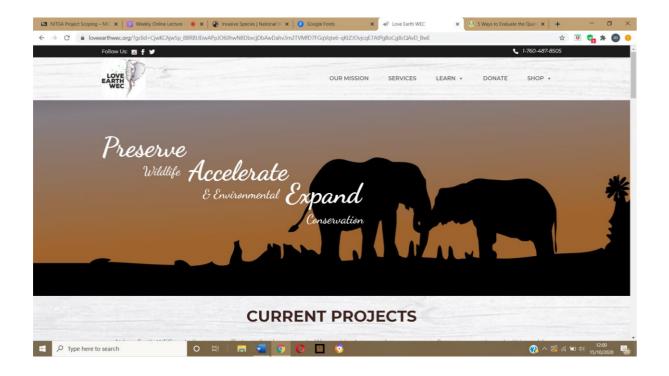
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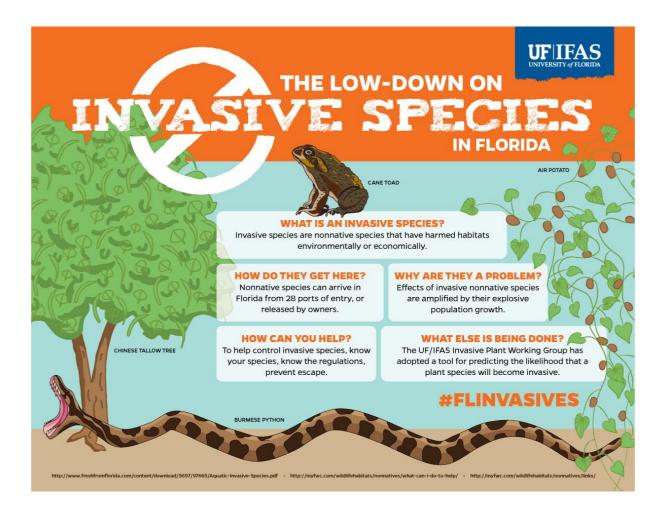
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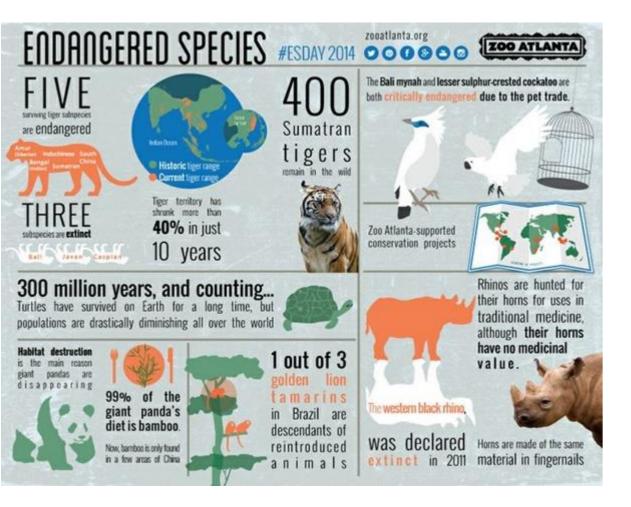


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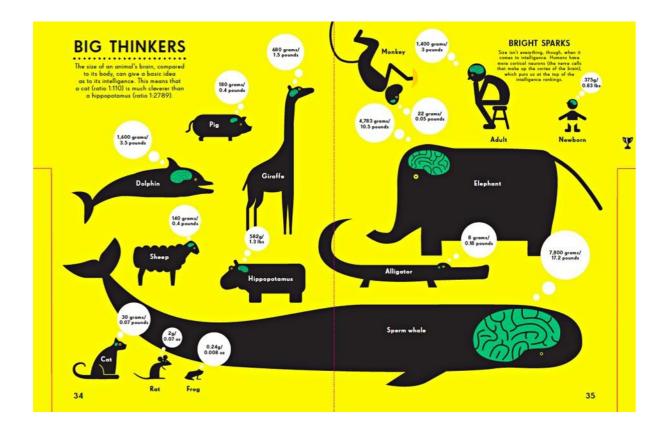
Design Inspiration

- I like the cartoon style
- I like how the creatures interact with the text i.e. the frog sitting on text
- I like how the entire infographic is like a jungle scene
- I like the consistent colour scheme
- I like the text bubbled and how the plants on the right sit on them, as we also have plants, I feel
 we could do something similar



Design Inspiration

- Clean design
- Good use of fonts
- Lots of information while still using white space
- Good mix of cartoon and real images
- Good colour scheme



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- Good colour scheme, may be unsuitable for our project though as users must be able to easily identify the different species
- I like the cartoon style, simple and clean
- We would require much more information about the 5 species
- I like the size difference between each of the animals as it provides good scale

Deliverables

- Website
- Motion graphic suitable for Facebook
- PDF Infographic/Leaflet, suitable for Social Medias

Initial Brief



Brief





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The Project

The Client has asked us to produce a motion or info graphic that identifies invasive species for the general public, that are to include overviews, information on identification, how to report invasive species and how to prevent the spread.

After meeting with the client, it was decided we would produce A digital publication or "E-leaflet" that will be suitable for social media.

This will include:

- An overview of invasives
- Info on identification of invasives
- How to report invasives
- What you can do to prevent the spread





The E-leaflet will focus on five key invasive non-native species causing issues within CCGHT's operational area.

- Japanese Knotweed
- Himalayan Balsam
- Rhododendron
- Giant Hogweed
- Grey Squirrel





We will also be producing an infographic that will be produced as a "one-page scroller" that will have the aim of presenting an overview of the problems that these species cause to the local wildlife and why if spotted they must be reported to the appropriate authorities. Key species will be highlighted and pictured to aid their identification and actions outlined to tackle them. Included also will be tips for preventing spread. Should include live links to relevant additional sources, websites, and reporting channels eg. Invasive Species Ireland / DAERA / Habitas / CEDaR websites.

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Deliverables

- 1. Infographic The infographic will be presented as an interactive one page scroller suitable for desktop and mobile devices.
- Motion graphic The motion graphic will be 2 minutes long and suitable to upload to Facebook and Instagram. Alternatively, having 5 shorter different motion graphics for each species.
- PDF Infographic/Leaflet The infographic will be convergent into a PDF/E-Leaflet suitable for Facebook and Instagram, and to print if required.

Tone/Message/Style

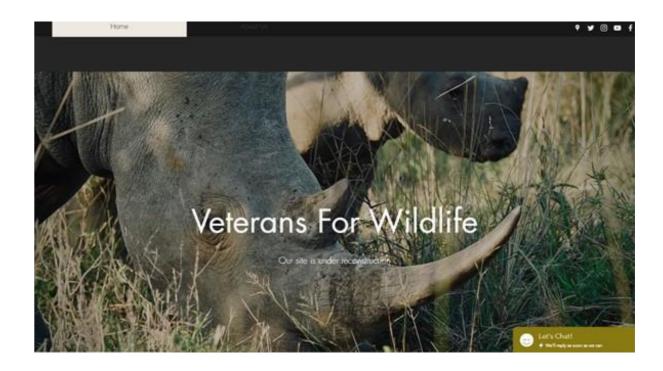
When designing the Infographic, we well be considering different interactive elements, such as animation transitions, a navigation bar and links to social media accounts on the one page scroller. We may consider putting the motion graphic at the end of the webpage as it will have similar information from the infographic and would be easier to tell children about the native wildlife and how we need to protect it. We will create a brand guideline document for this project, with information on the colour scheme, layouts, typeface and visual style used, that CCGHT can use in the future for creating additional content. The message that we are portraying is a serious issue that we hope to attract attention from farmers, gardeners and the public to help save the native species. We will be using this brand guideline document when creating all of the deliverables to ensure that the style remains consistent and will keep the different platforms linked together.

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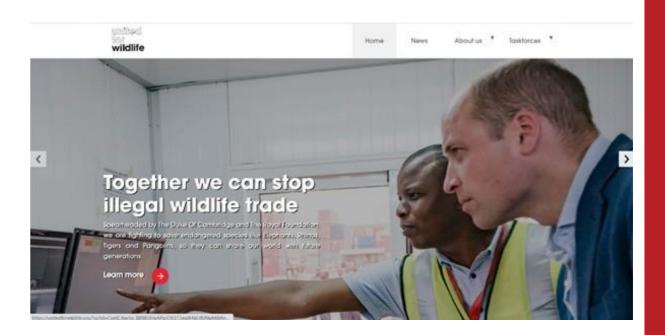
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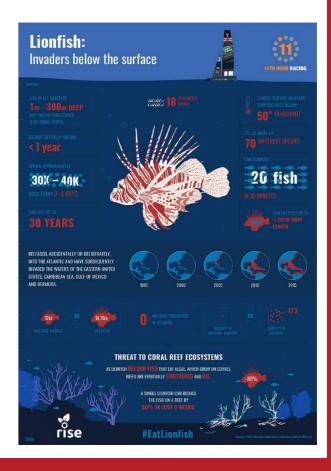
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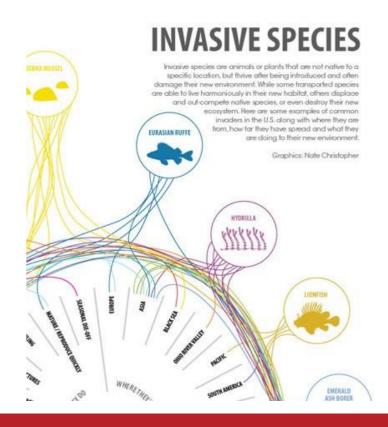
I felt that lionfish invaders below the surface infographic has a clear and concise message showing how the lion fish have invades coral reefs and have become an invasive species causing a decrees of a reef in fish which reduces algae and so killing coral. Getting the reaction they want from the viewer. We must insure we get the right response from the viewer buy having the right tone and imagery to draw an emotion from the viewer. In this infographic there is a clear and consistent style following an ocean theme using multiple shades of blue and using the red of the lionfish to highlight key facts. This gives the graphic a professional and appealing looking infographic.

http://www.coastalseekers.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/lionfish-rise-infographic.jpg



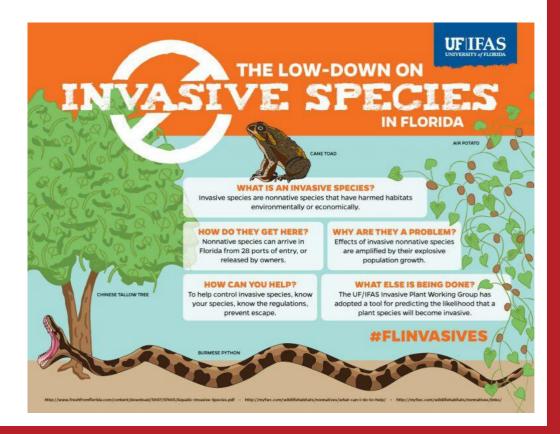
I felt that the invasive species by Fondriest environmental had a more complex message as it shows invasive species giving details on how far the spread, where they're from and what they do. They use a diagram that uses lines to link the invasive species to the answers to the points above but this creates a mess of lines which can be hard to follow at times. It has a good tone and is a statically pleasing to look at but could be done better to get the information across more clearly to the viewers. The style of the is clean and minimal as it is basic white with one infographic which is easy to look at the only problem is with the complexity of the graphic it helps that all the animals are colour coordinated. This style and graphic gives the infographic a professional look and feel.

https://www.fondriest.com/news/infographic-invasive-species.htm



I felt the low down of invasive species in Florida had clear and concise message as it uses simple style to get their message across. They do this by using simple bubbles and questions to fill in the viewer on invasive species affecting Florida. They include pictures of some of the animals and plants that are affecting Florida all in a cartoon style. It has a good tone and style for this type of infographic for the general public of Florida it is eye catching and fun to look at helping to keep there attention and inform them on the problems facing Florida due to invasive species and how to help. It doesn't have as professional feel as the other two infographics but has a better style and is more eye catching than the Fondrieist infographic.

http://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/ifascomm/files/2019/06/ General_Infographic-768x593.jpg

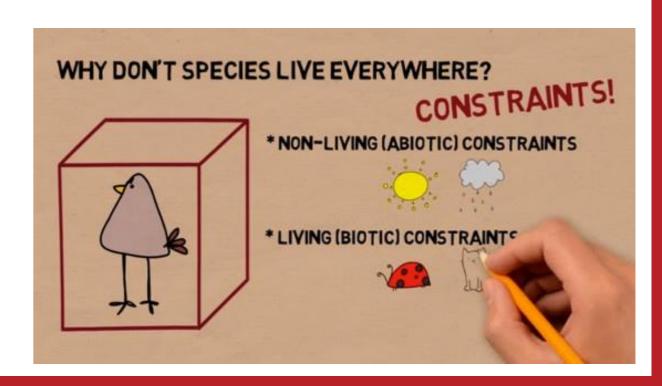


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First Impres- sion	Aesthices	Ocean theme	Clean and informational	Clean with a massive image
	Identifiable Target Audience	Divers and ocean enthusiast	Florida citizens	The general popula- tion
	Identifiable Chief Aim	To raise awareness on how lionfish are affecting coral reefs	To raise knowledge of invasive species	To show facts on many different invasive species
Look and Feel	HD	All images and graphics are very clear	Not all images are crystal clear	Images are all clear
	Content	Multiple imagesa nd infographics on how lionfish are invading coral reefs	mmultiple images of invasive animals and plants and information explain invasive species	One big diagram showing invasive species and their features
Naviga- tion	Primary position	Vertical (poster format)	Landscape	Vertical poster
	Logo	Bottom left (RISE)	Top right (UFIFAS)	Top left (Fondriest Environmental)
Content	Information	Lionfish facts and coral reefs affects	What invasive species are and how they are affecting Florida	Features of invasive species
	Social Media	Eatlionfish hashtag	Flinvasives hashtag	None
	Contact Details	None	None	None
	Images/ Pictures	Multiple drawings	Multiple animals and plant drawings	One graphic diagram

Global ambitions: An introduction to ecological spatial spread By Impact Media Lab.

The "Global ambitions" video uses a simplified, cartoonish style of animation, which is eye catching and keeps the audience focused on certain areas of the video. This is also accompanied by hand simulating drawing, allowing a smoother transition for imagery and text for the audience, and also emulates a hand-made, natural aesthetic. Having a more simplified version of the invasive species may be easier to show the audience what to look, focusing on the key features of the animal or plant being.

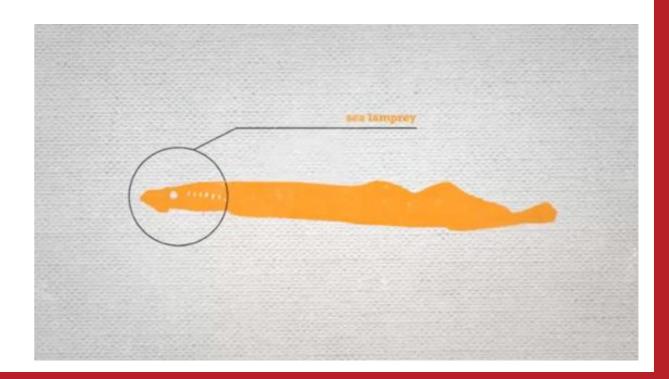
https://vimeo.com/178627781



Invasive Species by Alicia Magnuson

"Invasive Species" has similar elements from the first video, with simplified designs and the rough, home-made feel of the video. The video has little to no text with a narrator talking about the invasive species in more detail, aided by the visuals. This method of providing information allows the viewer to focus on the imagery, with the narration sticking to its respective images. We may consider having a voice over for the video as having the information spoken will more likely be remembered by the viewers. The colour palette used in this video remains consistent as well, keeping five pastel colours on a white background to ensure that the animation stands out. We would be considering using a similar method of black, white and one other colour, such as red to link in the organisation's logo.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spTWwqVP_2s



The threat of invasive species by Jennifer Klos

This video is very different in terms of visual style, there is a lot more colour and detail with both the background and the animals being talked about. The more detail of this video makes the screen more busy and harder to keep the audience focused on the main points being talked about. It may be an option to have the main species with more visual detail, while the background and text remains simple. This video also has a slower pacing compared to the previous two, this may be due to the detail of the assets limiting the amount of movement that can be done.



Category	Feature	Global ambitions: An introduction to ecological spatial spread	Invasive Species	The threat of invasive species
First Impres- sion	Animation Style	Fast paced, cartoon- ish and homemade	Fast paced, rough and cartoonish	Artistic, slow paced
	Identifiable Target Audience	Not specified	Not specified	not specified
	Identifiable Chief Aim	1:30 into video	in title	In title
Look and Feel	Quality	720p	720p	1080p
	Colour Scheme	Natural colours	Cream, black and pastel colours	Not consistent, mainly natural earthy colours
	Pictures	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Sound	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Body Text	Sans Serif, rough font	Sans Serof, rough font	No text
	Logo Place- ment	No logo	No logo	At the begining
Content	Information	Narrated and dis- played text	Narrated	Narrated
	Social Media	Not included	Not included	Not included
	Contact Details	Not included	At the end	At the end
	Images/ Pictures	Cartoonish, hand drawn and photographs	Rough, hand drawn with solid colours and outlined images	Detailed, artistic designs
	Narration	Scripted, spoken clearly and passionate	Scripted, spoken clearly but mono-tone	Scripted, spoken clearly and professional
	Music	Up beat and loud	Loud, calming	Quiet, atmospheric
Overall Score		57%	63%	67%

Budget

For the client there is no formal budget but there can be some cost involved with creating all of the different pieces for the project. This is because the project is for university module and not billable work which is especially helpful for all community partners. For the Causeway Coast and Glens Heritage Trust will have to pay certain costs for possible ideas like a website to host infographic one page scroller website. These costs come from domains and hosting below is a quote for these iteams.

Full domain and privacy ownership protection - £51.54 for 4 years
Hosting from Hostinger and website builder - £66.07 for 3 years
Total £117.61
All music for info graphics used will be royalty free.
Any other material e.g. Poster, banners ect. (To be quoted if the client would like these material.)

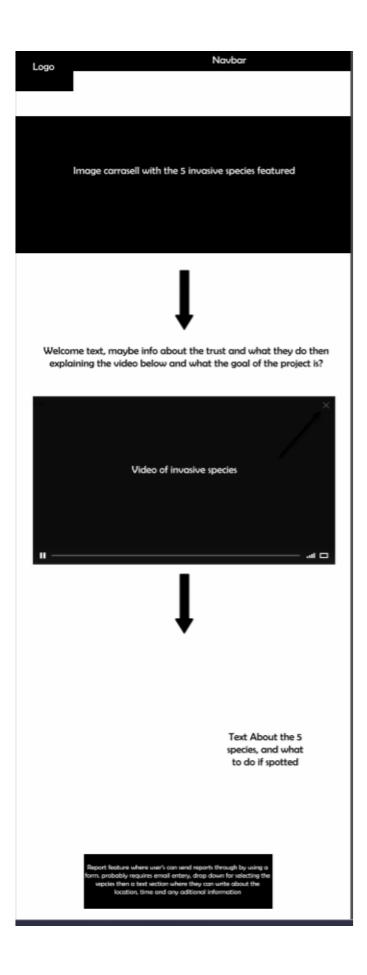


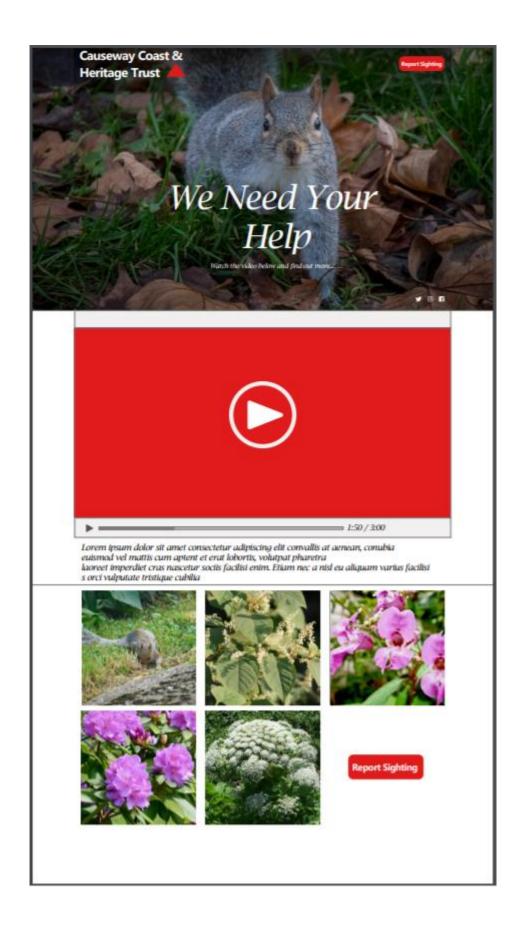
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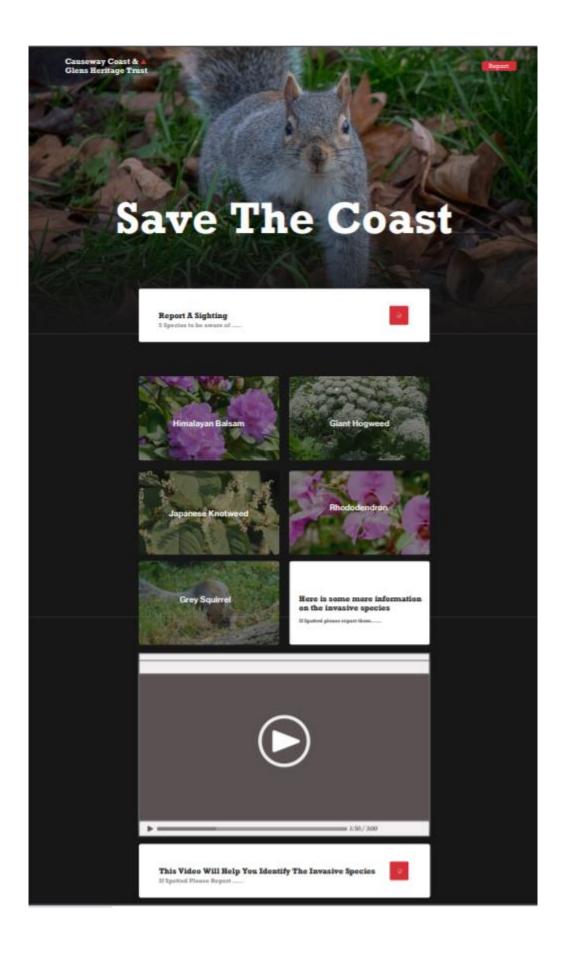
All three members of the team are required to work on three different designs for a design deck to pitch towards their community partner during week 6. This allows the community partner to select their favourite piece of work before selecting the final design be that pulling from their favourite aspects of all 3. Once that has been agreed upon the team will work on delivering the final design and having all aspects promised and agreed upon the client by week 12 (Friday December 11th 2020.) Then after the project has been submitted to the client there will be an exhibition showcasing all the work from this module from every team which will take place online due to covid restriction in January 2021.



Initial Designs







Video Design 1 "Pokemon Style Idea

Basic Idea

The video will flow like a battle from the pokemon videogames. each of the 5 species will be transformed into a cartoon form in a "poke" style.

The Opponent for the 5 species would be called causeway walker so the viewers identify with the video



Could swap it around so that the viewer has the perspective of the walker so they can use the move "Report" which will be "super effective"

After each of the species is defeated and the next one is summoned a fact file will appear in a "pokedex" style that will show information on how to spot the invasive species and the damage it is capable.



For the background music for the video I have found royalty free "pokemon style" battle music on YouTube.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICGCjCn62SY&feature=youtu.be

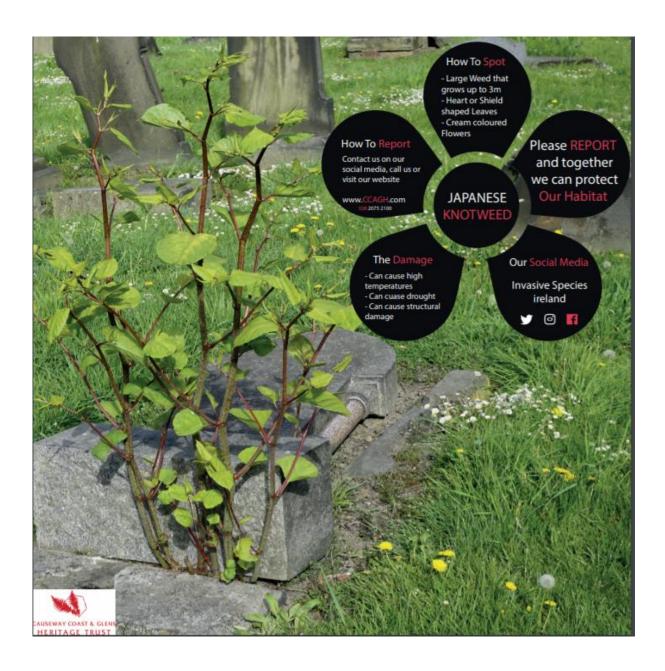
















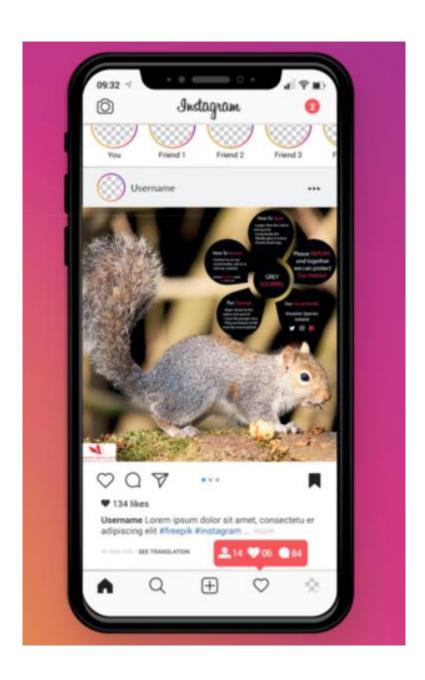


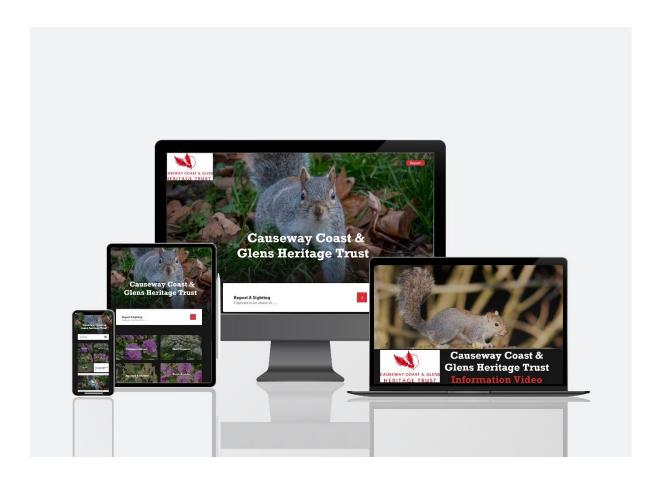




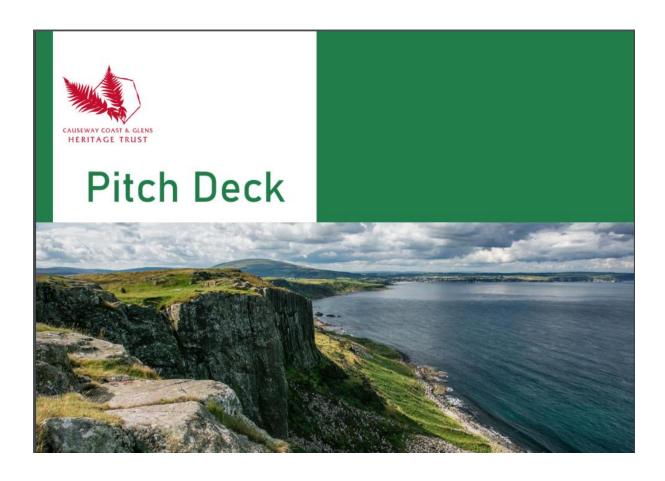


Initial mock-ups





Pitch Doc



Typography

Bahnschrift - 14pt

Bahnschrift - 24pt

Bahnschrift - 30pt

Bahnschrift - 48pt

I have included the font we are using know as Bahnscift as its clean minamlist and can be used for diffrent sizes for main titles sub titles and body texts. While keeping the same flow across all the designs and documents.

Bahnschrift - 72pt

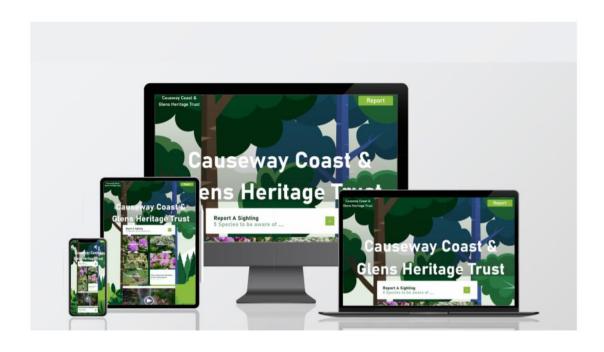
Bahnschrift - 100pt

Website





Mock-Ups



Contrasting Box Styles





Static Infographics











Mock-Ups













In the motion graphic we will have narration that will talk about alot more information on the invasive species than the text on the screen shows as having to much text changing will cause the reader to miss information where as with a narration they can read and listen and not mis any important details.

Allowing the narration to include more details on the key 4 topics:

- 1. What does it look like?
- 2. Where will you find it?
 3 What happens
 4. What do I do next?



Notes from Client Meeting

nikki

- -combind them
- -keep species at photographs
- -call for action repeated is good(ben's and matthews)
- -narration
- -bens videos that expands into a full image

rachael 1

- -combind
- -matthews clean design for website
- -change landing image to locations, landscape instead of squirrel
- -infographics good too
- -narration good
- -feeging information in and out
- -not found of colours
- -not sure of carton style
- -background cartoon okay
- -pitch to a 12
- -landing image good
- -call to action good
- -not sure of mixed graphics
- -font colours were difficult to read
- -motion grpahics, one for each

rachael 2

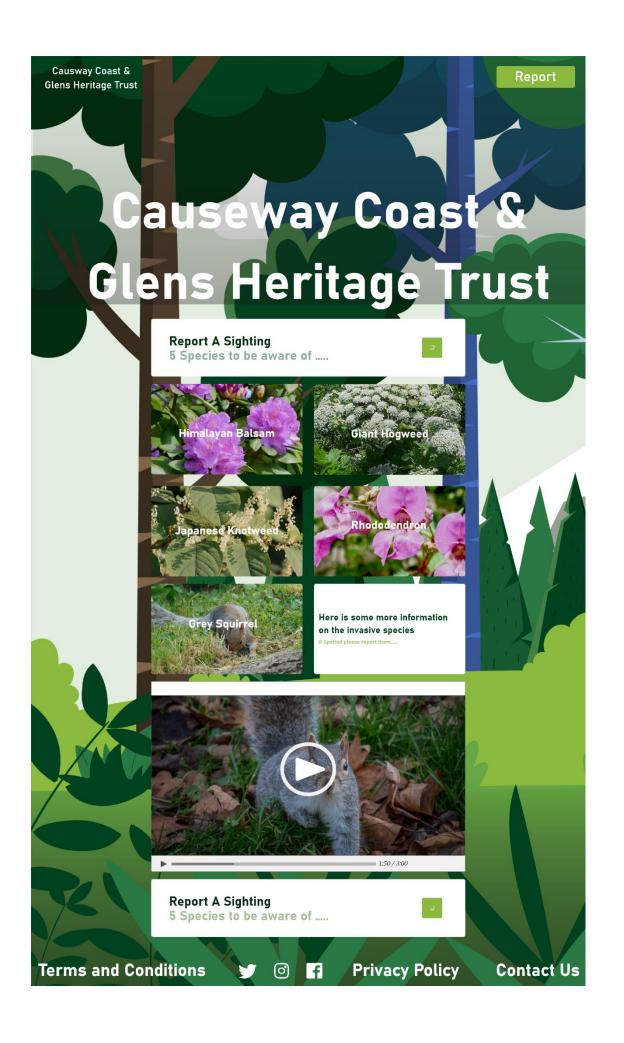
- -combine
- -can't get website
- -ben's background info graphic
- -causeway design at the back
- -also used as a circle to identify
- -narration
- -call to action from ben
- -matthews website
- -pictures were good from matt
- -info graphic background (ben)
- -font needst o be biggers
- -less text
- -in text box or bullet points
- -links to more information
- -Matthew's petals, maybe change to ben's layout

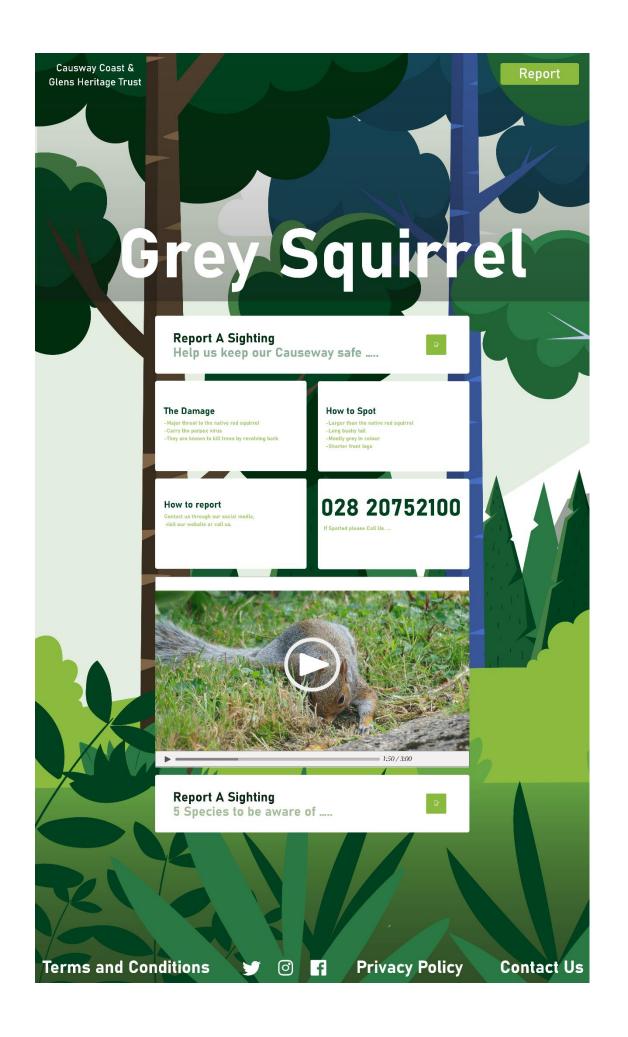
- -matthew is too corporate
- -text needs to be clearer, bullet points,
- -pdf the info graphics
- -infographic to enage people online
- -link to more sources
- -pdf for printing and downloading

photographis style, ben's infographic/background, narration, call to action, generic landing image, natural colours, bright, eye catching, ben and i colours a1 size 250 words

Updated Designs after Client Feedback







Self-Reflection

It had been a while since I had coded a website, so it took me some time to get back into the swing of things. My initial designs for the site were not as detailed as I would like but I believe that the outcome of my site was of a good standard. I think that it took me a while to get my head around the concept of ensuring that all the parts of the project would flow together seamlessly and that initially my designs were too different from the other 2 members of my group. I felt like the main thing with the site was to ensure that there was a definite and constant "call to action" as the whole goal of the site was to raise awareness, to help identify the species and to make sure they can report the sightings.

I wanted to make sure that the site was as accessible to the audience while still following the styling and flow of the project. The initial plan was to have a one-page scroller, but I found that having one home page and then a page for each of the species as this flowed well and allowed me to follow a consistent style and theme.

The use of the jungle background that ben created allows my site to follow the same style as the other sections of the project. This also gave me a colour pallet to work from, the vibrant and bright colours were something that was mentioned during the client meetings, so I made sure to use this to my advantage.

I will say that it is slightly demotivating at times when you know that the client is having doubts about their ability to host and maintain a website, however I did not let this deter me and I strived to produce a professional and useful site that may change their minds. I think the clients will be incredibly pleased with the project overall and that even if they do not use the site that they will still be impressed by it.

The Team

I think as a team the three of us functioned quite well at times, however I believe it took us some time to adapt to the new way of learning and working as a team with online learning. As it was our first time working as a team without being able to see each other in person. Another issue we had was members of our team having large work commitments which at times made meetings and completing tasks difficult. Despite this however I believe that in the last few weeks we really came together and produced a good project that the client will be happy with and have done the university proud.

I believe that we should have been more active at times on basecamp, made better use of its features. In my opinion we started towards the end to do this much more effectively by using features such as the to-do lists and message boards.

I believe that we utilised each other's skills quite well and did the right thing by dividing the three different segments between us, Bethany's design skills for the infographics, Ben's experience with aftereffects and my web design skills. We found that having a Facebook group chat and regular calls to talk about issues and the project was a great way of staying on top of things.

The Clients

The clients were as good as a group could have coped for, they provided us with all the information we needed for the project, images, logos and feedback that we required in a timely and professional manner. Receiving all this allowed us to work fluidly and to bring their vision to life, I also really liked how they have us an outline and wanted to see what we could create and I believe that giving us this creative vision made the project infinitely more enjoyable to work on.