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Notes:

Example from YG at the BNF of a server being hacked - an old server that hadn't been patched and was breached. Put 100K documents at risk.

Example from LW at the National Archief in the

Example from MN in Montreal - space problems on server. One collection was not migrated following a software update. Thens of thousands of files might have been lost. More info this fall. Would have done differently: make sure all stakeholders are informed about the systems infrastructure change, and that all collections are accounted for.

Example from X at X Scanning large plans at a University but there was no back up to the server only on the laptop which had been supplied by IT services. The laptop was supplied back to IT who wiped the laptop.

Example from PRW - migration from Tiff to JP2K which resulted in a structured but almost undetectable error where one in every hundred files was truncated. Cost more to correct the error than the storage savings which were anticipated in the outset. Should simply have left the thing alone.

Policy development example with Paul Stokes. Policy: start small and build confidence.

Implementation of a system. Example from YT Lots of automated work flows but with almost all manner of exceptions. Go on holiday and the exceptions just pile up! The problem is that I am trying to be an expert on everything and that's not realistic.

What is acceptable loss.

You will lose things. And that's okay. We can't all be experts on everything, use the community.

Use existing frameworks as stepping stones e.g maturity model, core trust seal,..... Think about why you want to use these standards.

Cyber security and IT are our friends. Cyber has 'shit loads' of money, we could work with them more.

Working round the table - hard to capture all this rapid fire stuff. Incomplete list of examples:

- Been hard to keep track of DP expertise over the years, so we re-invent and circle back. So even a simple finding aid for DP research is needed.
- Digital preservation is non-existent in my institution hard (impossible) to start
- Tired of trying to persuade researchers to work with us. Going to take a new approach. New procurement
- Difficult connect E-depot and sharepoint
- Working internationally with a lot of competing requirements in law and regulation
- Trying to persuade the IT guys to listen to our needs why you need to keep things for longer.
- Pre-ingest is really hard

Everyone should join the jisc mailing list for digital preservation! https://www.iiscmail.ac.uk/cgi-bin/wa-iisc.exe?40=DIGITAL-PRESERVATION

Examples of preservation plans/policies:

 Environmental data archive in the UK, running for 30 years https://help.ceda.ac.uk/article/4860-data-preservation-policy

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