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Blacklight at the University of Hull

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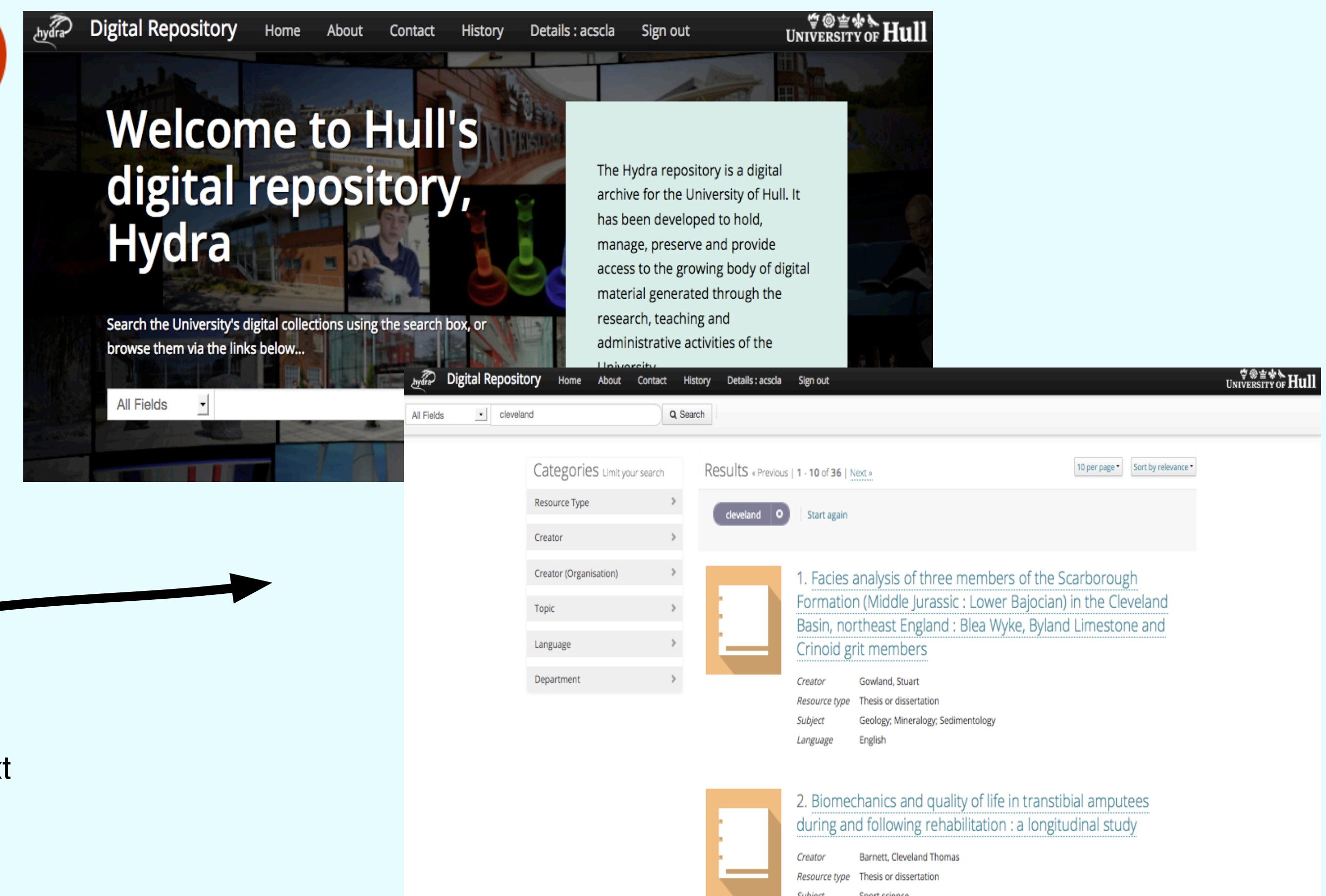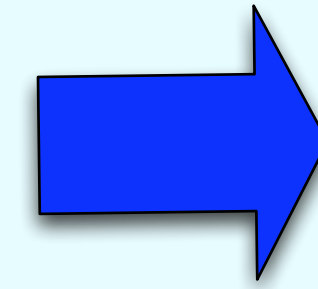*Consultant to LLI*
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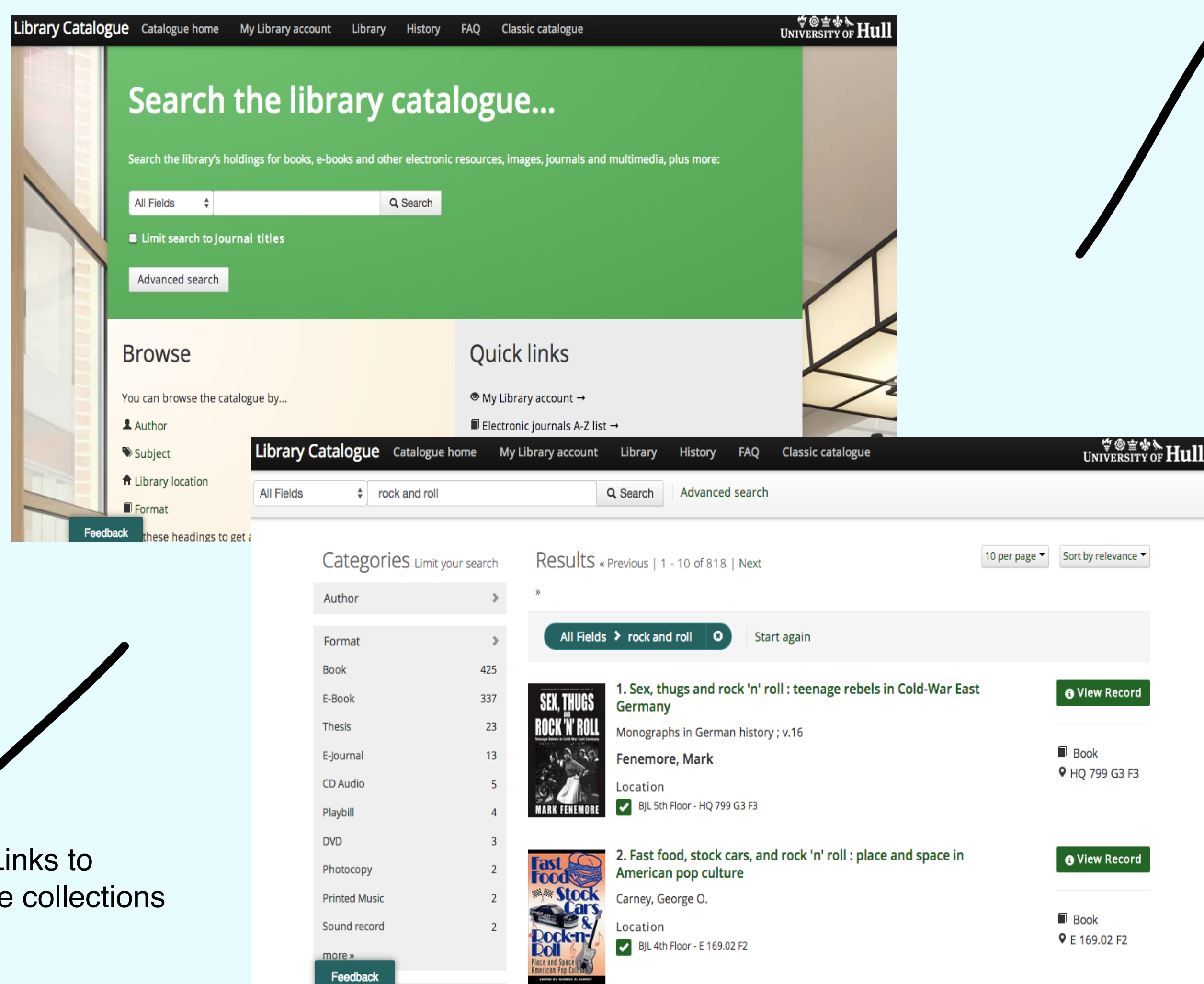*r.j.garbutt@hull.ac.uk*

Blacklight was selected by Hydra because of its flexibility in being able to present repository materials of different types in different ways, to suit local need. The University of Hull has made full use of this flexibility to provide a common look and feel across a range of discovery options made available by Library and Learning Innovation, encompassing three metadata types and multiple content types. The power of the underlying Solr index and the design of the Bootstrap library enables the University to present a distinctive yet common discovery interface across collections.

Our Hydra digital repository makes use of Blacklight as a core component of the Hydra software stack, providing responsive design access to collections. The repository is based on MODS metadata, though multiple create and display templates are used to facilitate create and edit workflows and provide content-specific displays.
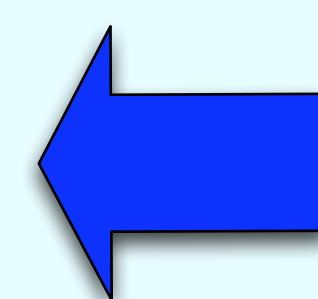
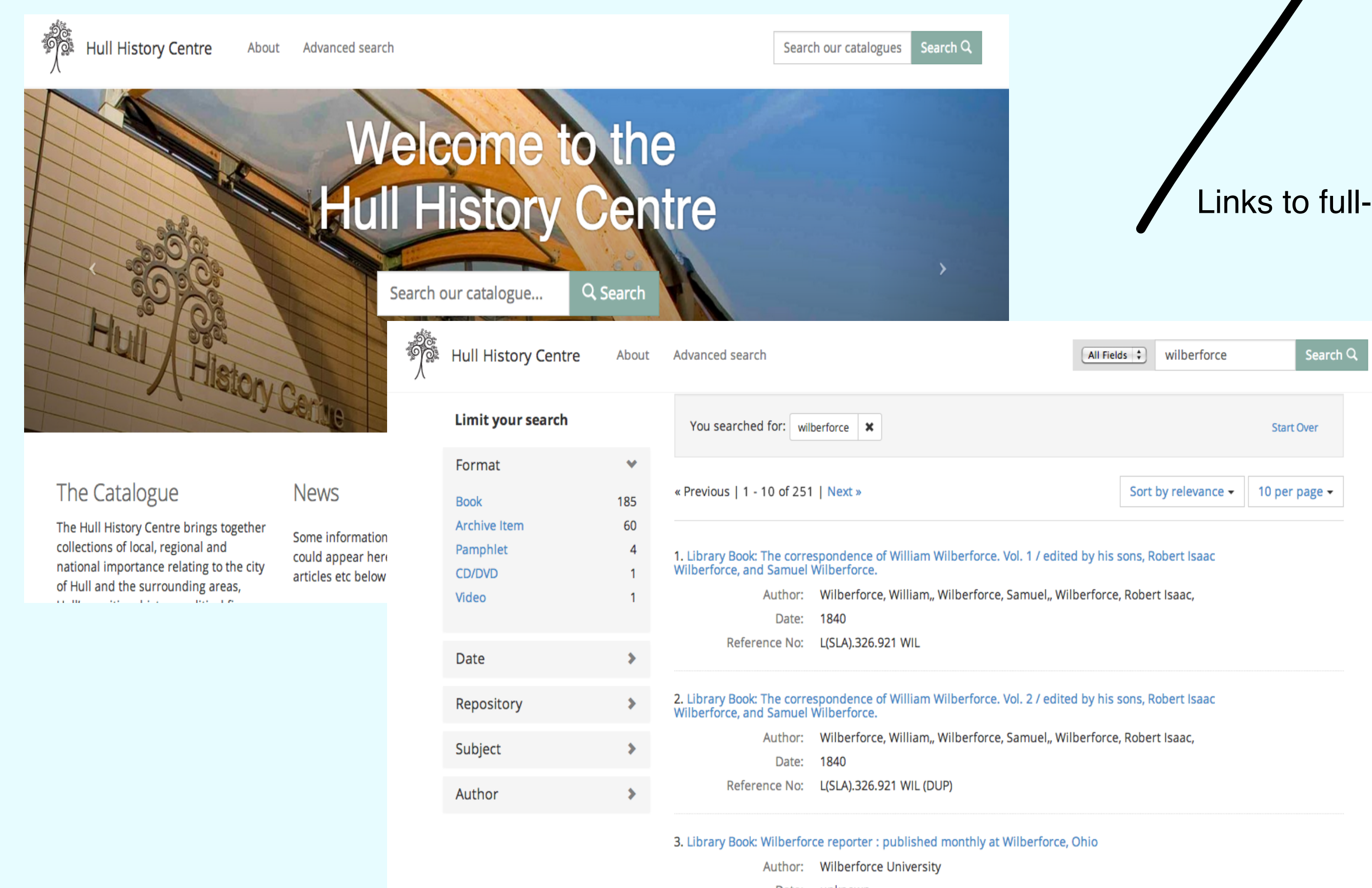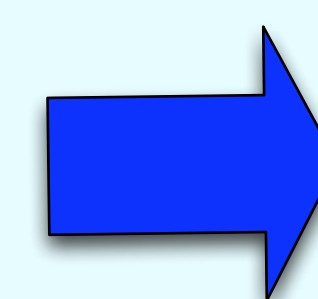See more at http://hydra.hull.ac.uk

Links to full-text

Blacklight was developed for use as a library catalogue interface at University of Virginia originally. The University of Hull ran a pilot implementation of Blacklight over Millennium in 2010, and went live with a production version in 2013. Version 2 of this interface went live at the end of September 2014

See more at http://libsearch.hull.ac.uk

Links to archive collections

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The Hull History Centre is a joint venture between the University of Hull Archives and Hull City Council Archives. It operates a joint archives catalogue. In summer 2014 we worked with DCE to implement a a Blacklight interface for this to present combined access to the archive EAD records and the Local Studies Library MARC records.

See more at http://www.hullhistorycetre.org.uk/catalogue (from November 2014)

A new addition to the family is on the way!

In 2015 we will be carrying out a project to bring together our discovery options through a single interface (akin to CLIO at Columbia). This will be based on Blacklight and incoporate the searches described in this poster plus a link to the Summon discovery tool.

Watch this space...

More info available...

All UI work is available through the University of Hull github site. In particular look for:

- https://github.com/uohull/uoh-ui
- https://github.com/uohull/middleman-bootstrap-sass-base
- https://github.com/uohull/hull-history-centre