



Legacy Systems

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A key part of driving and scaling innovation is the use technology plays when you design the right processes and procedures.

So, I was a little surprised when a couple of DIN members told me how many new, large scale, housing management systems have been built this century (yes this century!)?

The answer, 1!!

A £28bn a year sector riding on coding from the 1990s (or 80s)?

I genuinely didn't believe this but having spoken with some wise heads in the IT space it turns out this is right.

On the upside you could say we have very stable systems who have had all the bugs taken out of them. Or you could look to the increasing number of for profit providers coming into the sector building their IT systems from scratch, cloud native and all that who will be offering a new digital experience with no legacy systems.

If age is just a number then fine but I suspect this is another 'weak' signal of disruption heading our way.

