

Redmine - Patch #30294

Move the links (View all issues, Summary, Import) from the Issues section of the issues list sidebar under a dropdown

2018-12-30 08:47 - Marius BĂLTEANU

Status:	Closed	Start date:	
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:	Jean-Philippe Lang	% Done:	0%
Category:	UI	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	4.1.0		
Description			
move_links_from_sidebar.png			
In my opinion, moving the links under the dropdown will make the respective actions more obvious for the users and it will cleanup the sidebar.			
Also, with this occasion, I think that we can drop the "View all issues" link because it doesn't add to much value (I've never used it and every time I'm asking if there is any difference between the link and the "Clear" button).			
Any feedback is welcomed.			
Related issues:			
Related to Redmine - Patch #31640: Add clear query icon next to selected quer...		Closed	
Related to Redmine - Feature #32520: Issues activity gnats calendar tabs - to...		Closed	
Related to Redmine - Feature #35645: Request for reconsideration of removal o...		New	
Copied to Redmine - Patch #31598: Move the links (All time entries, Import) f...		Closed	

Associated revisions

Revision 18303 - 2019-06-20 18:37 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Move the links from the sidebar under actions dropdown (#30294).

Patch by Marius BALTEANU.

Revision 18304 - 2019-06-20 18:38 - Jean-Philippe Lang

Remove "View all issues" link from actions dropdown (#30294).

Patch by Marius BALTEANU.

Revision 18321 - 2019-06-27 11:55 - Go MAEDA

Fix that actions dropdown menu is missing (#30294).

Patch by Marius BALTEANU.

History

#1 - 2018-12-31 14:14 - Bernhard Rohloff

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I also think we can drop the "View all issues" entry and summary makes really more sense in the contextual menu.

#2 - 2019-01-05 07:19 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- File 0001-Move-the-links-from-the-Issues-section-of-the-issues.patch added

- File 0002-Remove-View-all-issues-link-from-actions-dropdown.patch added

Attached the patches.

#3 - 2019-01-23 01:47 - Go MAEDA

- Target version set to Candidate for next major release

#4 - 2019-03-15 10:17 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Target version changed from Candidate for next major release to 4.1.0

#5 - 2019-06-20 18:38 - Jean-Philippe Lang

- Status changed from New to Closed

- Assignee set to Jean-Philippe Lang

Committed, thanks.

#6 - 2019-06-20 20:02 - Bernhard Rohloff

- Status changed from Closed to Reopened

I've tested the latest trunk version ([r18308](#)) right now and the dropdown menu is missing. Presumably there went something wrong with the "settings" patch.

#7 - 2019-06-20 22:41 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- File `fix_actions_dropdown.patch` added

Bernhard Rohloff wrote:

I've tested the latest trunk version ([r18308](#)) right now and the dropdown menu is missing. Presumably there went something wrong with the "settings" patch.

Indeed, the patch didn't apply as expected, I've attached the fix. Thanks for catching this issue.

Should we show the Setting icon always after "New issue" link or we should move it under the dropdown? I'm wondering because accessing the project setting is not a daily action.

#8 - 2019-06-20 22:50 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Copied to Patch #31598: Move the links (All time entries, Import) from Spent time section of the spent time list sidebar under a dropdown added

#9 - 2019-06-27 02:22 - Go MAEDA

Members in my team miss the menus in the sidebar, especially "View all issues". I hope this change to be reverted.

- "View all issues" was convenient and consistent to reset filters applied by custom queries. You can apply queries in the sidebar but have to move the mouse cursor to the far "Reset" link when you want to stop filtering by the query. I think it is inconsistent UI
- "Import" and "Summary" is hidden in the drop-down menu and hard to find

#10 - 2019-06-27 09:29 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- File `clear_custom_query.png` added

I understand your concerns, but please let me disagree with your proposal regarding reverting this change.

Go MAEDA wrote:

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For me, "View all issues" doesn't make any connection to "Reset" filters. Regarding the distance, because not everyone uses a vanilla Redmine instance, I can send you in private a screenshot from my instance to see how big is the distance between custom queries and those links from the top of the sidebar.

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There are too many places with links and I think we should really find better solutions. For example, why the new "Settings" link should be in the contextual block (next to "New issue") and "Import" and "Summary" not? How we decide which one should be where? Is "Import" so often used in order to be displayed every time? Displaying somewhere on page a link it makes the link easier to find instead of grouping the links in the same area(s)? We should be aware that Redmine is used also by new users without years of experience and who are used with some old links.

What do you think about the following proposals?

1. We commit the fix from my previous note.

2. We add a proper "Clear" link next to the selected custom query.

`clear_custom_query.png`

3. We discuss about which link and how many links should be displayed next to "New issue"? Maybe it's better to have "New issue" and "Summary" displayed and "Import" and "Settings" under the dropdown.

#11 - 2019-06-27 10:24 - Go MAEDA

Marius BALTEANU wrote:

What do you think about the following proposals?

1. We commit the fix from my previous note.

Yes, I think it is necessary.

2. We add a proper "Clear" link next to the selected custom query.

`clear_custom_query.png`

It is the biggest problem for me that we have to move the mouse pointer for long distances, from the sidebar to "Clear" link. But I think it is not too late to work on adding a new "Clear" link after releasing 4.1.0. Maybe we can get some feedback if they don't like it.

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I don't like to hide "Summary" and "Import" under the drop-down, but it is acceptable. But I think the "Setting" link should be always shown because hiding "Setting" only in issues list page breaks consistency with other pages such as Overview, Roadmap and Spent time.

#12 - 2019-06-27 10:27 - Marius BĂLTEANU

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The change is small, it can be included in 4.1.0, I'll add the patch soon.

#13 - 2019-06-27 10:38 - Bernhard Rohloff

I like Marius' proposal very much. IMHO it makes more sense to me to have a reset button next to the query. I also think it's more intuitive and easier to find for new users. I also think it's a good idea to leave the settings icon visible as it's only displayed for specific roles and should be consistent for every view.

#14 - 2019-06-27 11:57 - Go MAEDA

Committed the fix [#30294#note-7](#) in [r18321](#). Thank you.

#15 - 2019-06-29 13:46 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- *Status changed from Reopened to Closed*

Marius BALTEANU wrote:

The change is small, it can be included in 4.1.0, I'll add the patch soon.

Patch added to [#31640](#).

#16 - 2019-06-29 13:46 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- *Related to Patch #31640: Add clear query icon next to selected query in sidebar added*

#17 - 2019-11-27 18:09 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- *Related to Feature #32520: Issues activity gnats calendar tabs - too much real estate in high hand panel added*

#18 - 2021-07-31 02:41 - Go MAEDA

- *Related to Feature #35645: Request for reconsideration of removal of 'View all issues' link added*

#19 - 2021-08-04 18:17 - Mischa The Evil

FTR: For anyone coming to this issue due to missing the 'View all issues' link in the sidebar, I've created a small plugin that restores (only) this

specific link on the issues show view only. You can find it [in the plugin directory](#).

Files

move_links_from_sidebar.png	150 KB	2018-12-30	Marius BĂLTEANU
0002-Remove-View-all-issues-link-from-actions-dropdown.patch	779 Bytes	2019-01-05	Marius BĂLTEANU
0001-Move-the-links-from-the-Issues-section-of-the-issues.patch	2.13 KB	2019-01-05	Marius BĂLTEANU
fix_actions_dropdown.patch	1.29 KB	2019-06-20	Marius BĂLTEANU
clear_custom_query.png	52.5 KB	2019-06-27	Marius BĂLTEANU