Redmine - Feature #29027

Add more structure to the issues view by using tabs

2018-06-13 18:22 - Bernhard Rohloff

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Assignee:			**% Done:**	0%
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Description

I've tested the patch series in [#3058](#) on the latest trunk revision and it works as described and it's a great feature.
However, I would like to propose to go a step further with the idea of tabbed views for the issues content.
In my opinion, it would be great to rework the whole issue page and convert it to a tabbed view. There is so much
information on this single view that it's tends to overwhelm many less experienced and less tech savvy users e.g managers or clients.
A more structured presentation could help such users a lot and would lead to more acceptance for Redmine in those user circles.

This also has the following advantages:

- Faster switching between issue history and details
- Less scrolling needed on small screens
- Much cleaner and more intuitive UI/UX
- Great entry point for plugin support (additional tabs) in future development

I've played a bit with the HTML and came up with a first mocked view.
I would spent more design effort on a real implementation but I think the screenshots show my basic intention.
As you can see, no horizontal scrolling is needed to access the latest information on the issue.
The sections 'Subtasks' and 'Related issues' could move to their own tabs, too.

issues_details_tab.png

issue_time_tab.png

Related issues:

Related to Redmine - Feature #29034: Option to collapse/expand issue sections	**New**

History

#1 - 2018-06-13 22:05 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- File expand_collapse.png added

First of all, thanks for testing the patches from [#3058](#).
Second of all, I'm not sure what to say about having also the issue attributes in a tab. For me, it is more easier and useful to have the possibility to scroll a little bit up to see some attributes/fields values.

Regarding this subject, I've 2 ideas in mind that I've already implemented in our environment and I can easily extract them as patches for the core:
1. Expand/collapse on each section from the issue page (Issue attributes, Description, Full width fields, Subtasks, Relations, History). In addition, we can add a remember state in order to have some sections collapsed by default.

A print screen with this feature where we can observe that the description and subtasks sections are collapsed.
expand_collapse.png

2. A sticky subject bar (Gravatar, Issue subject, Parent task, Added by, Updated and Next/Previous) in order to know on which issue you are wherever are you on the page.

#2 - 2018-06-14 11:26 - Bernhard Rohloff

Marius BALTEANU wrote:

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No, I have to thank for getting access to such nice improvements. ;-)

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However if you could extract a patch for this it would be a pleasure for me to try it out and give feedback on it.

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This makes sense, too. I've tested this by splitting the issue in two divs for the issues "header" and "body" and making the body scrollable. This also had the advantage that only the issues content moved down and the links in the sidebar stayed accessible.

#3 - 2018-06-14 22:59 - Marius BĂLTEANU

Bernhard Rohloff wrote:

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For now I've added two proposals in [#29034](), please take a look and let me know what do you think.

#4 - 2018-06-14 22:59 - Marius BĂLTEANU

- Related to Feature #29034: Option to collapse/expand issue sections added

Files

issues_details_tab.png	61.5 KB	2018-06-13	Bernhard Rohloff
issue_time_tab.png	49.2 KB	2018-06-13	Bernhard Rohloff
expand_collapse.png	96.7 KB	2018-06-13	Marius BĂLTEANU