







## **Current workbook** • Explored other options (CMS, commercial IPM software), but Excel best fit • Familiar to staff, no additional licences, in-house support · Workbook has dedicated tabs per department · Faster, less error-prone data entry • Builds ownership & accountability • Key details pre-filled, colour-coded, and locked to protect data integrity · Staff record: • Date, name, monitor status (dropdown) Insect counts (primary pests vs secondary indicators) Monthly macro compiles data → central sheet Clears departmental tabs & resets system • Pivot tables & conditional formatting generate automatic visual summaries • Pest Occurrence Index (POI) integrated into Excel • Standardised metric: accounts for floor area, monitor numbers, exposure time Provides fairer comparisons across spaces & over time

## Data in action

- Seasonal patterns
  - Evidence supported case for enhanced cleaning & vigilance in high-risk periods
- Space function differences
  - Informed policies: designated food zones & centralised eating spaces
- · Exhibition insights
- · Impact of evidence

  - Data strengthened advocacyConversations with decision-makers more effective
- Accessible data
  - Actively shaping policies, space planning, and daily museum practice









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## Social Impact



- IPM shaped by culture as well as tools
- Staff engagement

   Builds confidence, literacy, and investment in IPM

   Shifts IPM from a specialist task to a museum-wide responsibility

  Staff empowered to engage with data
- Outcomes

  - Greater pest literacy across teams More collaboration & open communication
  - Shared ownership of preventive care
- Excel as an enabler

  - Familiar, low-cost, adaptable
     Transferable skills for staff → supports wider capabilitybuilding

    • Flexible enough to evolve with museum needs
- Visible data helps to socialize IPM



