Redmine - Feature #14601

Improve returned HTTP status code for requests for account/show

2013-08-02 05:15 - Mischa The Evil

Status:	New		**Start date:**	
Priority:	Normal		**Due date:**	
Assignee:			**% Done:**	0%
Category:	Accounts / authentication		**Estimated time:**	0.00 hour
Target version:				
Resolution:				

Description
I noticed this behavior while reviewing #6688. User *Miriam Blumenstein* (id: 43592) is watching the issue. Clicking through to account/show leads to a *404 - The page you were trying to access doesn't exist or has been removed.*, which lets me think the user has been deleted. Nonetheless is the user still (rendered as) a watcher of the issue and still proposed as a watcher of objects (in 'search for watchers' dialog). I tried to reproduce this on m.redmine.org but was not successful.

Related issues:	
Related to Redmine - Patch #18128: Make User profile 404 rendering more consi...	**Closed**

History

#1 - 2013-08-05 20:19 - Jean-Philippe Lang

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#2 - 2013-08-06 08:33 - William Li

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#3 - 2013-08-14 04:09 - Mischa The Evil

- Tracker changed from Defect to Feature

- Subject changed from Seemingly deleted users still appear as watcher-candidates and actual watchers to Improve returned HTTP status code for requests for account/show

- Category changed from Website (redmine.org) to Accounts / authentication

- Assignee deleted (Jean-Philippe Lang)

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Thanks for this info! I wasn't aware of these conditions at all and I obviously failed to check the corresponding controller action before posting :-/
OT: this new (to me) info sheds a new light on #11724...

William Li wrote:

> Jean-Philippe Lang wrote:

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I tend to agree with William on this but I am not sure whether or not a 404 is the best option when a user is locked (in contrast to a user who is registered but no activated).

#4 - 2014-10-23 03:46 - Mischa The Evil

- Related to Patch #18128: Make User profile 404 rendering more consistent (and speed up Users#show API) added