

## Redmine - Feature #2503

### History of Ticket-Description

2009-01-13 22:28 - Thomas Rekitke

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Start date:</b>	2009-01-13
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#### Description

It is a pity that changes of the description of an issue are nowhere stored. So you can never be sure, the description is what it was or what it should be :-)

I built a workaround for myself, by copying the description to a shallow wiki-page, where I can see the history. Obviously more a bad hack, than a good solution. I paste the patch anyhow to illustrate what could be a solution. Using the wiki as "storage" for the history is maybe not such a bad idea after all.

Index: /usr/local/workspace/redmine/app/models/issue.rb

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--- /usr/local/workspace/redmine/app/models/issue.rb (revision 2263)

+++ /usr/local/workspace/redmine/app/models/issue.rb (working copy)

@@ -152,7 +152,21 @@

```
                :prop_key => c.custom_field_id,  
                :old_value => @custom_values_before_change[c.custom_field_id],  
                :value => c.value)
```

- }

+ }

+ # edit corresponding wiki page if of type use case

+ if self.tracker\_id == 6 and @issue\_before\_change.description != self.description # only tracker 6. hard coded magic number, brrr :-)

+ wiki\_page = self.project.wiki.find\_or\_new\_page( subject )

+ wiki\_page.content = WikiContent.new(:page => wiki\_page) if wiki\_page.new\_record?

+ content = wiki\_page.content\_for\_version( nil )

+ content.comments = nil

+ content.text = self.description

+ content.author = User.current

+ wiki\_page.new\_record? ? wiki\_page.save : content.save

+ end

@current\_journal.save

end

# Save the issue even if the journal is not saved (because empty)

#### Related issues:

Related to Redmine - Patch # 1717: Show diff for issue description change	<b>Closed</b>	<b>2008-07-30</b>
Duplicated by Redmine - Defect # 3612: Changing original content of the issue...	<b>Closed</b>	<b>2009-07-13</b>
Duplicates Redmine - Feature # 746: Versioned issue descriptions	<b>Closed</b>	<b>2008-02-27</b>

#### History

#1 - 2009-01-13 22:54 - Mischa The Evil

See patch #1717 which holds a working patch to adress this issue. It also provides an idea of implementing it in the core.

I'll relate the issues...

**#2 - 2009-01-14 11:46 - Thomas Rekittke**

- Status changed from New to Resolved

**#3 - 2009-04-22 10:44 - Robert Pollak**

In which Redmine release is or will this be contained?

**#4 - 2009-07-13 22:42 - Mischa The Evil**

- Status changed from Resolved to New

Wrapped the code into pre-tags and corrected the issue-status.

**#5 - 2009-07-17 13:25 - Martin Schneider**

Thomas Rekittke wrote:

*It is a pity that changes of the description of an issue are nowhere stored. So you can never be sure, the description is what is was or what it should be :-)*

Independent from the implementation, this is a great feature! Please make this feature part of the core. Additionally it would be nice if the comments would have a history too. So the "can edit comments" rule gets a new aspect.

BTW:

Thanks for Redmine! It is pretty cool!

**#6 - 2009-08-03 11:25 - Marek Kreft**

Hi,

When can we expect this feature (or its alternative) to be implemented in Redmine core?

**#7 - 2009-08-03 14:28 - Marek Kreft**

Hello again.

This is what I figured out today. I think that this small fix improves things quite well.

In place of

```
if self.tracker_id == 6 and @issue_before_change.description != self.description # only tracker 6. hard coded magig number, brrr :-(
+   wiki_page = self.project.wiki.find_or_new_page( subject )
+   wiki_page.content = WikiContent.new(:page => wiki_page) if wiki_page.new_record?
```

```
+ content = wiki_page.content_for_version( nil )
+ content.comments = nil
+ content.text = self.description
+ content.author = User.current
+ wiki_page.new_record? ? wiki_page.save : content.save
+ end
```

I've added this

```
if @issue_before_change.description != self.description
  @current_journal.details << JournalDetail.new(:property => 'cf',
    :prop_key => 'description',
    :old_value => @issue_before_change.description,
    :value => self.description)
```

It was tested on trunk version and works like charm.

**#8 - 2010-05-16 01:18 - Felix Schäfer**

- *Status changed from New to Closed*

Closing this issue in favor of #746.