

Release Notes for 2.138 (April 2nd, 2020)

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New Features

Set Chart configuration options using Calculations

This new chart function allows named parameters to be passed. (I.e. unlike most calculation functions, you actually have to give a name as well as a value for each parameter)

- The first parameter to the chart is always the name of the chart, and this parameter does not get named.
- The remaining parameters may be specified in any order, with each having a name, then colon, then the value (or calculation)
- All named parameters are optional
- Parameter names are identifiers, and behave in the same way as other identifiers. (i.e. can have square brackets around them; and are not case-insensitive)

Parameters

WidthCm

- The width of the chart, in centimeters, as it should appear in the Word document. While it is possible to zoom into a Word document, this is the 'natural' width, i.e. what should appear on a correctly configured screen, or normal paper print-out
- If *WidthCm* is not provided, then a default of 16cm is used.
- Data type : decimal (does not accept list calculations as values)

HeightCm

- The height of the chart, in centimeters, as it should appear in the Word document.

- If *HeightCm* is not provided, then the default is: width/2.2
 - Data type : decimal (does not accept list calculations as values)
- Rotate**
- The number of degrees that the chart should be rotated clockwise
 - If *Rotate* is not provided, the default is zero
 - Data type : decimal (does not accept list calculations as values)
- PixelsPerInch**
- The screen resolution to emulate when sampling the SVG for the chart.
 - This uses a default value of 100 PPI, which is consistent with typical monitors
 - Data type : decimal (does not accept list calculations as values)

Example Usage

- **chart([Chart Name])**
- **chart([Chart Name], WidthCm: 10)**
- **chart([Chart Name], WidthCm: 10, HeightCm: 10, Rotate: 90)**
- **chart([Chart Name], [Rotate]: 90)**
- **chart([Chart Name], WidthCm: 10, HeightCm: 10, Rotate: 90, PixelsPerInch:200)**

Application of sizing information

- A simulated rendering of the chart is done using screen pixels
 - *WidthCm*, *HeightCm*, and *PixelsPerInch* are used to determine the pixel size to use for the simulated rendering.
- The generated SVG is then embedded into Word, with sizing information.
 - *WidthCm*, *HeightCm*, and *Rotation* are provided to Word to indicate how big the result should be.
- Adjusting *PixelsPerInch* has the effect of controlling how wide the pixels/lines are

when scaled.

- a smaller PPI (i.e. less than default of 100) will give larger text; fat lines; and potentially fewer axis markings
- a larger PPI (i.e. more than default of 100) will give smaller text; thin/faint lines; and potentially more axis markings

Using constant strings for drill-downs

It is now possible to specify that a chart should be drilled down such that document authors can create charts specific to the current record.

- Allow a list of column names and values to be provided to the chart function
- If any column names/values are provided, they must be placed after a 'with' keyword
- Column names are identifiers (i.e. use square brackets if there are any spaces or special characters)
- Refer to draft product documentation for details on column filters.
- Column values:
 - will typically be constant values
 - but can be any form of calculation, so long as the data type matches the data type of the column
 - lookup/relationship name columns, and the root name column, behave as though they have a data type of record (with whatever the appropriate record type for that column is)
- Examples
 - `chart([Chart Name] with [My number column]:123)`
 - `chart([Chart Name] with [My number column]:100+20+3)`
 - `chart([Chart Name] with [First Name]:'Peter', [Last Name]:'Aylett')`
 - `chart([Gantt - Scientists] with [Scientist]: resource([Scientist], [Alan Turing]))`
 - `chart([Whatever] with [Created By]: currentuser())`

Enhancements

Various performance tweaks and boosts in Reports.

Bug Fixes

- API Callouts : Gateway activity no longer throws a validation error when accessing APICallout dynamic type data
- API Callouts : Extraneous "??" no longer added after the base URL when using "API Key Authentication" for API Callouts
- Security : Inherited Security Rules could not be changed and are now greyed out to highlight this state of affairs