IRCLOG-TikiDevelopment

Pasted here for future reference

This is a extract from last night in #tikiwiki, it really explains what happens to code you commit. and how no-one has control of the code in CVS. This is an important lesson to learn when using Tikiwiki as a base product for clients.

10-24-04/23:09 franck	Well, just to put things in perspective, I'm deploying tikimaps in 14 countries as part of a 9 Million Euro project, The project relies heavily on tikimaps working correctly

 Nice

10-24-04/23:10 franck	So I have pressure from all to get things working, and your sudden change of schedules does not make me happy to say the least.
10-24-04/23:10 damian	sylvieg if you galaxia or maps, sheet, jukebox, whatever its 3 clicks to have it
10-24-04/23:10 mose	you could get help
10-24-04/23:11 franck	mose: I will start to get rude.
10-24-04/23:11 mose	from me, if it goes to momds
10-24-04/23:11 sylvieg	I have to try again mods ...
10-24-04/23:11 damian	franck thats open source software
10-24-04/23:11 mose	I'm writing a bash script right now for mods being easier even
10-24-04/23:11 sylvieg	it is my translation point that disturbs me .. I eat my own food always in French
10-24-04/23:11 * damian is doing a visualbasic interface for binbows	
10-24-04/23:11 mose	you can be rude franck that won't change anyhting
10-24-04/23:12 mose	except bringing a bad ambiance

 There is no point, you cant control the development pattern of code that is commited to the CVS. The community owns it from there and can do whatever they want with it.

10-24-04/23:52 sylvieg	please ..if you can delay mods transfer before every is finished
10-24-04/23:52 damian	sylvieg did you read about using 1.9 for clients?
10-24-04/23:53 sylvieg	no where is it?
10-24-04/23:53 damian	my advice
10-24-04/23:53 damian	is dont. it will cause you far to many problems
10-24-04/23:53 damian	for all paid work I use 1.8
10-24-04/23:53 damian	as its less likely to change
10-24-04/23:53 damian	and you have stability
10-24-04/23:53 * mose is less cautious but have few paying clients	
10-24-04/23:54 mose	my customers are poor activists

10-24-04/23:54	damian	Using 1.9 you have to be aware that no-one will care about your client
10-24-04/23:54	mose	so they don't complain too much
10-24-04/23:55	damian	that is a risk of re-using open source software
10-24-04/23:55	damian	you have no control over what happens to it
10-24-04/23:55	mose	not even damian control things, nor me, nor luis
10-24-04/23:55	mose	it's impossible technicaly
10-24-04/23:55	mose	otherwise it's not tikiwiki
10-24-04/23:56	damian	franck has no control over the contributed maps codes
10-24-04/23:56	damian	even though his is flashing a mega money around
10-24-04/23:56	sylvieg	stop to attack people .... I don't know Franck .. but I am sure he doesn't deserve it
10-24-04/23:56	mose	I'll intersect in maps code soon, I plan to do such
10-24-04/23:56	mose	for long time
10-24-04/23:57	damian	im not attacking anyone
10-24-04/23:57	damian	I just saying that even with customers giving you funds, you dont gain control
10-24-04/23:57	sylvieg	English are not some supceptible than French perhaps ...
10-24-04/23:57	sylvieg	s/some/so .. or whatever
10-24-04/23:57	mose	french are darn proud egomaniacs
10-24-04/23:58	mose	it's a known fact
10-25-04/00:00	mose	but pragmatically the maps feature is not environemental at all
10-25-04/00:00	mose	it uses execs
10-25-04/00:00	mose	it requires phpmapscript.so
10-25-04/00:00	mose	it is coded with hurry because many very good reasons
10-25-04/00:00	mose	but still in hurry, then not environementally
10-25-04/00:01	mose	some people spend a lot of time to comply to the environment
10-25-04/00:01	mose	what value their efforts ?
10-25-04/00:02	damian	maybe in simpler terms when you "cvs commit" you sign the code over to the community and you no longer have exclusive control over it. That for paid work can be fatal to some people.
10-25-04/00:02	mose	anyway that's not the issue
10-25-04/00:03	mose	many devs don't commmit, for that reason
10-25-04/00:03	mose	and they are right to be prudent
10-25-04/00:04	mose	collective development is not predicable that much