

Psiog SharePoint Connector Documentation



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1. Document Info

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2. Revision History

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		characters in file or folder names.	
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		creation and developer API	
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		repository configuration) and Freedom UI Compatibility	
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8	26 th March 2024	Added control point 7 under Control Points	
		UI enhancements - <u>Freedom UI</u>	
9	17 th January 2025	Added enhancements to connector - Reverse	
		synchronization from SharePoint	

3. Purpose

The document is intended to provide functional and technical information about the plug-in to help Users, SharePoint Admin and Creatio Developers understand the functionalities and configure settings.

4. Plug-in Information

The SharePoint Connector plug-in is designed to facilitate upload, download and deletion of files directly from Creatio UI. The plug-in can be used by organizations which use/ intend to use SharePoint Office 365 as a Document Repository for Creatio.

5. Build Information

S No	Particular	Details
1	Version	4.0.2501.17



2	Creatio Version Compatibility	8.0.0 and up (Classic and Freedom UI)	
3	Creatio Product	Across all products	
4	Database	Postgres, MS SQL	
5	Operating System	Windows 10	
6	Platform	.NET Framework 4.7	
7	Dependent Package	ProductCore	
8	Environments supported	Cloud & On-premise	

6. Features

The SharePoint Connector will enable users to:

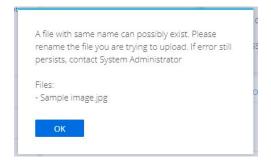
- 1. Configure OOTB and Custom sections to integrate with SharePoint.
- 2. Configure directories and sub-directories for each Section
- 3. Create directories to which files uploaded from 'Attachment Detail' (Classic UI) / 'Attachment List' (Freedom UI) in each section must be sent, via Microsoft Graph API
- 4. Upload files to specific folders in SharePoint Document Repository through Creatio via Microsoft Graph API
- 5. Download files from folders from the Document Repository via Microsoft Graph API
- 6. Delete an existing file from a folder in SharePoint via Microsoft Graph API
- 7. View where the attachment is stored currently (SharePoint or Creatio database).
- 8. Retry file upload to SharePoint if previous attempt fails due to unforeseen circumstances. Enable settings "PsgAllowStorageInDB" to store files in Creatio Database to manually retry upload to SharePoint later.

Note: If the setting, "PsgAllowStorageInDB" is not enabled, files will not be stored in Creatio database in case of unforeseen errors (Eg: network errors) which may occur while the file is being uploaded to SharePoint.

- 9. Open files in SharePoint via securely generated links. The files will be visible to all authenticated users of an organization.
- 10. The access rights to files is restricted to OrganizationView mode
- 11. Facilitate synchronization with SharePoint, allowing changes made in SharePoint to be reflected in Creatio.

7. Control Points

1. If a file with same name as an existing file is uploaded to same folder in SharePoint, there will be no over-riding or merging of the files. SharePoint API will reject the upload and an appropriate error message will be displayed to the user. The user is expected to rename the file and upload back through Creatio UI, if such an error is encountered.

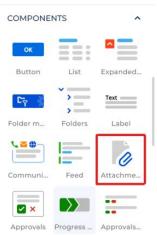




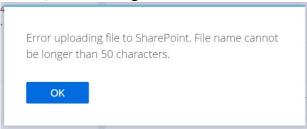
2. Changes made directly in SharePoint – like adding/deleting/updating of folders or files will not be reflected in Creatio unless manually synchronized. All uploads / deletions are synced with SharePoint only through Creatio UI and reverse synchronization from SharePoint is only supported on the Freedom UI.

Note: If a file is uploaded via Creatio UI, and the same file is deleted on SharePoint and a file of the same name is uploaded to the same folder, this change will not reflect in Creatio on synchronizing.

- 3. Owing to email activities which can include attachments, attachments added to activity is restricted to Creatio Database.
- 4. A file name cannot contain special characters other than
 - a. Underscore:
 - b. Hyphen: -
 - c. Parenthesis: ()
 - d. Exclamatory Mark: !
 - e. Space
- 5. The connector supports file upload to SharePoint from existing Freedom UI sections and new sections created with the default base form page.
- 6. Files added under the custom attachments component of a custom form page in Freedom UI will be restricted to Creatio Database.



7. File name is restricted to 50 characters for SharePoint uploads to ensure that the combination of the relative URL, folder structure and file name does not exceed the SharePoint MAXPATH limit of 400 characters. If a user tries to upload a file with a name longer than 50 characters, the following error is encountered



- 8. A section must contain at least one record before it can be configured to integrate with SharePoint.
- 9. Any changes made on SharePoint while bulk synchronization is in progress, might not reflect in Creatio.



10. Files on SharePoint with file name (including extension) longer than 50 characters and files with extensions not included as part of the File extensions AllowList (FileExtensionsAllowList) system setting will not be synced to Creatio.

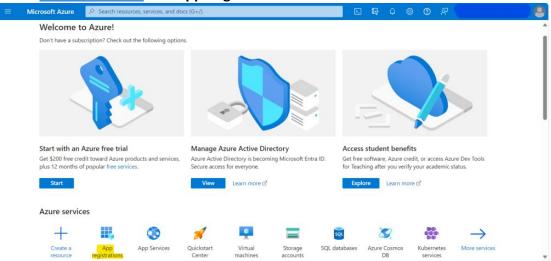
8. Configuration

8.1 SharePoint - Graph API access

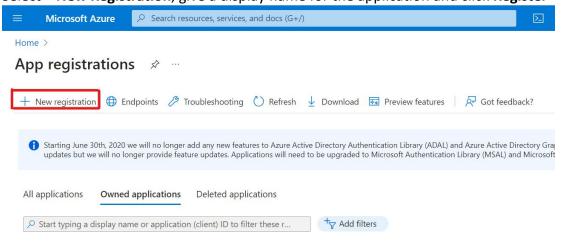
- The SharePoint plugin uses the https://login.microsoftonline.com hostname to authenticate and subsequently use Graph APIs with bearer tokens to perform Folder Creation, File Upload, Download and Delete operations.
- 2. Follow the steps in 8.2 to generate Client Id, Client Secret, Tenant Id / Realm Id and Site Id. These values must then be configured in Creatio system settings.

8.2 Azure AD App registration and document repository configuration

1. Go to Microsoft Azure -> App Registrations

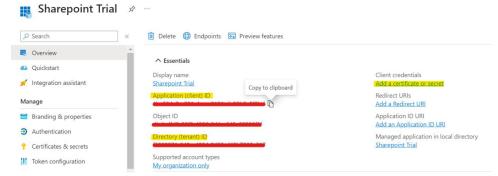


2. Select + New Registration, give a display name for the application and click Register

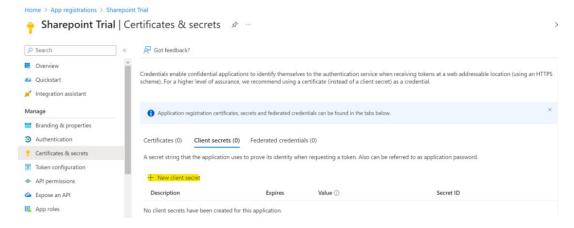


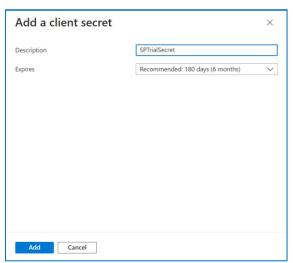


3. Once the app is registered, note down the **Client Id and Tenant Id** from the page that appears. Then click on **Add a certificate or secret**

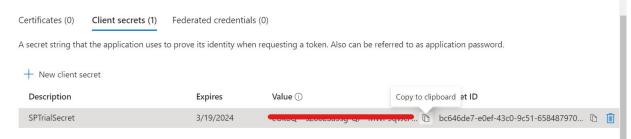


4. Under Certificates & secrets, click on + New client secret. Enter a description for the client secret and click Add.



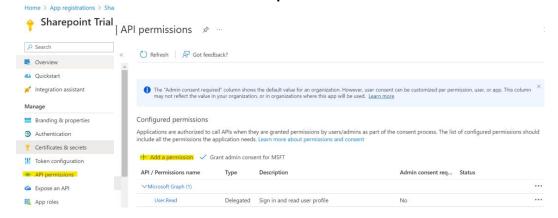


5. Note down the **Value** of the client secret.

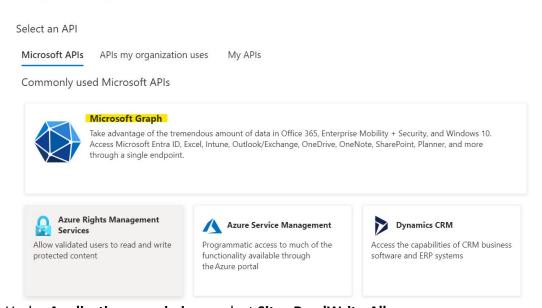




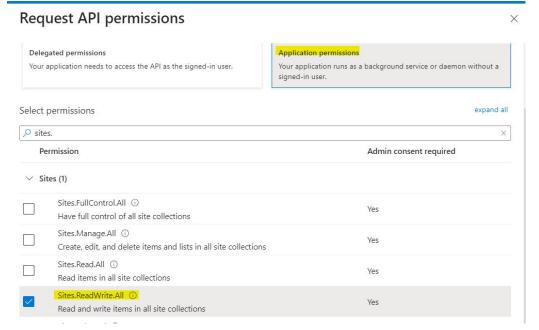
6. Go to API Permissions. Click on + Add a permission.



Select Microsoft APIs -> Microsoft Graph Request API permissions

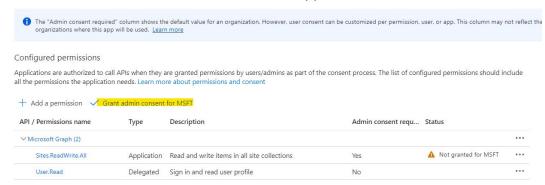


8. Under Application permissions, select Sites.ReadWrite.All

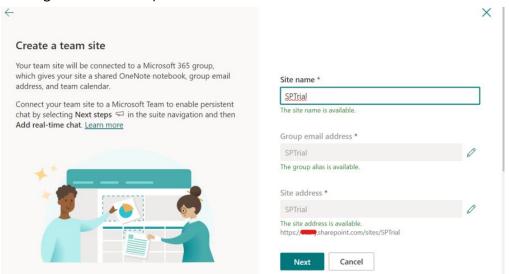




9. Select **Grant admin consent for <User>** and approve it.



10. Go to your SharePoint domain (https://<tenant-name>.sharepoint.com) and create a new Team Site, providing your own Team Site name. (Skip this step if you have an existing SharePoint site)



11. Go to https://<tenant-name>.sharepoint.com/sites/<TeamSite>/_api/site/id and note down the **Site Id**

This XML file does not appear to have any style information associated with it. The document tree is shown below.

8.3 Test SharePoint configuration through Postman (SharePoint Admin)

Once SharePoint credentials are created, the steps below can be followed to verify configuration.

- 1. Download Postman.
- 2. Request 1
 - a. Request URL: https://login.microsoftonline.com/<TenantId>/oauth2/v2.0/token
 - b. Request Body (x-www-form-urlencoded):
 - i. grant_type:client_credentials ii.client id:<Client Id>



- iii. scope: https://graph.microsoft.com/.default
- iv. client secret: <Client Secret>
- 3. If SharePoint is configured successfully, the above request would return an Access Token.
- 4. **Request 2:** Confirm that you are able to create folders in SharePoint Document Repository.
 - a. Request URL:

https://graph.microsoft.com/v1.0/sites/<SiteId>/drive/root/children

b. Type: POST

c. Auth:

Type: Bearer Token

Token: <Copy-paste the access_token from Request 1 response>

d. Body Type: RAW JSON

5. If your credentials are correct, the above request would return a 201 (Created) response with details of the created folder.

8.4 System Settings

All system settings related to the plugin can be found in the folder "SharePoint settings" folder in System settings section.

S No	Name	Code	Description	
1	SharePoint Domain	PsgSPDomain	 Complete Domain of SharePoint Document Repository Example: https://abc.sharepoint.com 	
2	SharePoint Relative URL	PsgSPRelativeURL	 Relative URL of the Document Repository Example: /sites/SharePointConnectorforCreatio 	
3	SharePoint Root Folder	PsgSPRootFolder	 Root folder inside which Creatio is Authorised to create folders and upload files. Example: /Shared Documents 	
4	SharePoint Client Id	PsgSPClientId	Client Id	
5	SharePoint Client Secret	PsgSPClientSecret	Client Secret	
6	SharePoint Resource Id	PsgSPResourceId	Tenant or Realm Id	
7	SharePoint Site Id	PsgSPSiteId	Site Id	
8	SharePoint Proxy Server	PsgSPProxyServer	Proxy server URL if required for security purposes.	



9	9	Allow	PsgAllowStorageInDB	Enable this setting if Creatio should store files in
		Storage In		Creatio Database in case SharePoint upload
		DB		fails.

8.5 Lookup

The following lookup needs to be configured to:

1. Enable SharePoint for a section.

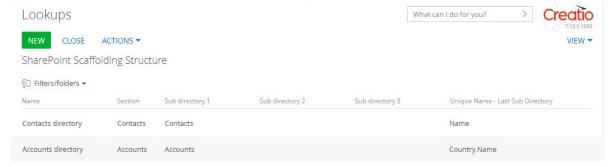
2.Determine the folder/ subfolder to which a file must be uploaded in SharePoint.

Name of lookup: SharePoint Scaffolding Structure

Code: PsgSPScaffoldingStructure

Structure:

S No	Column Title	Column Code	Туре	Description
1	Name	Name	String	Name
2	Section	PsgSection	Lookup	Lookup to pick sections to configure SharePoint
3	Sub directory 1	PsgSubDir1	String	First sub folder after root folder
4	Sub directory 2	PsgSubDir2	String	Second sub folder after root folder
5	Sub directory 3	PsgSubDir3	String	Third sub folder after root folder
6	PsgUniqueName	Unique Name - Last Sub Directory	String	List of dynamic sub- folders after 3 rd sub- directory.

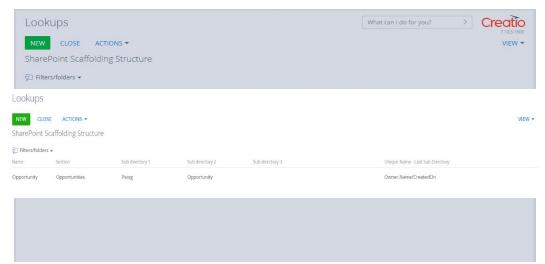


8.5.1 Validations

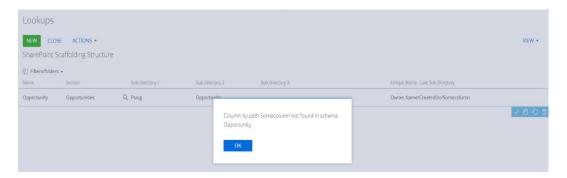
The SharePoint Scaffolding Structure Lookup has the following validations



1. Each section can have only 1 configuration associated with it.

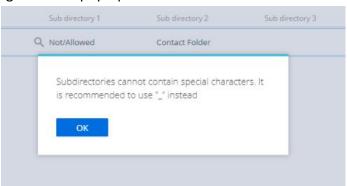


2. Unique Name – Last Sub Directory column in the Lookup must be valid – The column name is expected to be a column in the table or must be a column in a table linked to the section selected section through a Foreign Key. Multiple column names can be added and must be separated by a '/'



- 3. It is also mandatory to fill the Unique Name Last Sub Directory column in the Lookup
- 4. The Sub Directory or folder names must not contain special characters. Allowed special characters are
 - a. Underscore:
 - b. Hypen: -
 - c. Paranthesis: ()
 - d. Space

If special characters other than the ones mentioned above are configured, the following error will pop up





5. If the Unique Name contains special characters (as in name of account or contact having special characters such as * | ? ", / ^ @ \ . { } : < >), the code will replace these special characters with underscore.

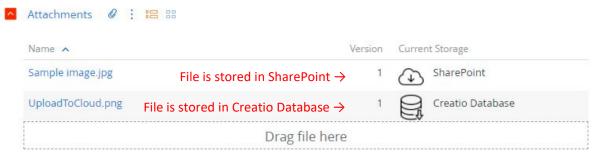
8.6 License Allocation

The user should check that licenses are added and available in the 'All licenses' block in the License manager.

9. Walk-through

9.1 Classic UI

- 1. Authorization to SharePoint will take place through the Azure AD (AAD) application, using Microsoft's Graph API (https://login.microsoftonline.com/<<your AAD tenant id>>)
- 2. The resulting Bearer Token, upon successful authentication is stored in Redis Cache to reuse it and avoid frequent authorization.
- 3. A section that is configured to integrate with SharePoint will have a buttor instead of the OOTB button. This former button simply means that files uploaded to that section will be sent to SharePoint.
- 4. All files will have its current storage (Creatio Database or SharePoint) represented on the UI as follows:



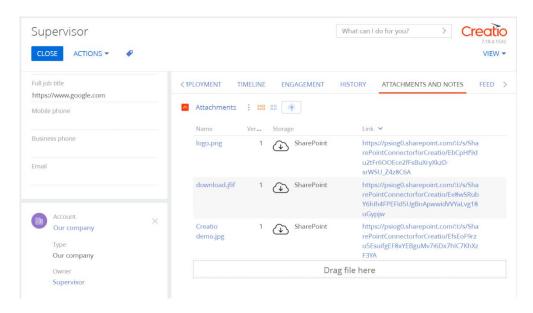
5. A file currently stored in Creatio database can also be uploaded into SharePoint by selecting the file and clicking the button "Upload to Sharepoint". This button will be visible only if the section is configured to SharePoint.



- 6. A file deleted in Creatio will also be deleted in SharePoint (if file exists in SharePoint)
- 7. A file uploaded to SharePoint can be downloaded by clicking on the Name of the file.

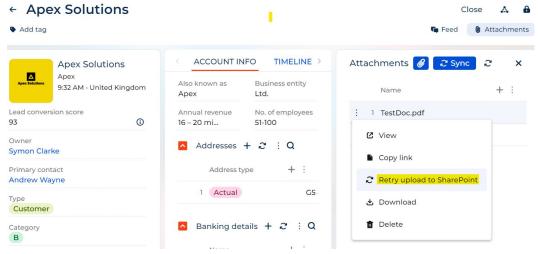


- 8. Once a file is uploaded to SharePoint, ShareLink API will generate a secure ShareLink to the file. This will allow all authenticated users within your organization to access the file via the ShareLink.
- 9. It is assumed that any access rights to these links will be handled by user who uploads the document.



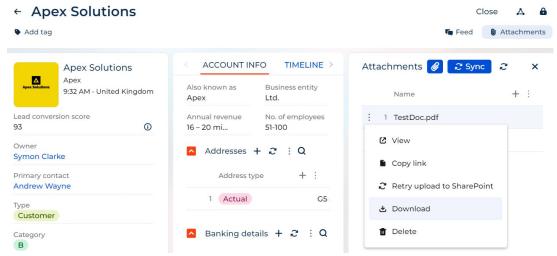
9.2 FreedomUI

- Authorization to SharePoint will take place through the Azure AD (AAD) application, using Microsoft's Graph API (https://login.microsoftonline.com/<<your AAD tenant id>>)
- 2. The resulting Bearer Token, upon successful authentication is stored in Redis Cache to reuse it and avoid frequent authorization.
- 3. A section that is configured to integrate with SharePoint will have a button instead of the OOTB button. This former button simply means that files uploaded to that section will be sent to SharePoint.
- 4. A file currently stored in Creatio database can also be uploaded into SharePoint by clicking the "Retry Upload to Sharepoint" button from the menu near the file name. This button will be visible only if the section is configured to SharePoint.

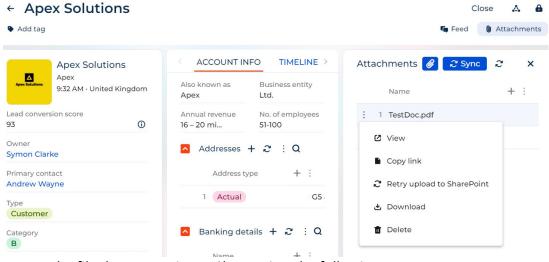




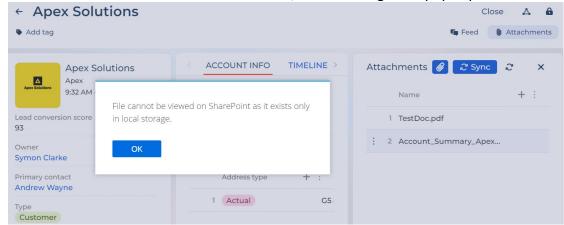
- 5. A file deleted in Creatio will also be deleted in SharePoint (if file exists in SharePoint)
- 6. A file uploaded to SharePoint can be downloaded by clicking on the download button from the menu next to the name of the file.



7. Once a file is uploaded to SharePoint, ShareLink API will generate a secure ShareLink to the file. This will allow all authenticated users within your organization to access the file via the ShareLink. You can view the file directly on SharePoint or copy the ShareLink to your clipboard by clicking on the **View** and **Copy link** buttons respectively.

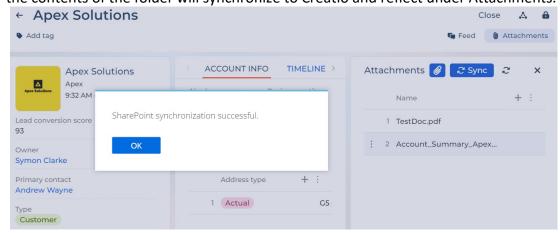


In case the file does not exist on SharePoint, the following error pops up:



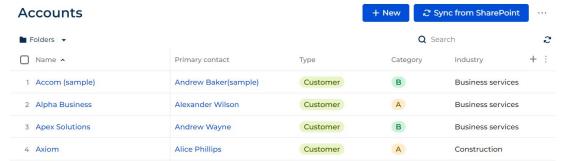


- 8. It is assumed that any access rights to these links will be handled by user who uploads the document.
- 9. Additionally, sections configured to integrate with SharePoint also have a Sync button on the respective form page. On clicking this button, if the folder corresponding to the record exists on SharePoint, then any changes made to the contents of the folder will synchronize to Creatio and reflect under Attachments.

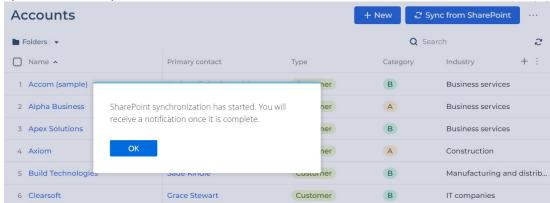


9.3 Bulk synchronization from SharePoint - Freedom UI

1. If a section is configured to integrate with SharePoint, a **Sync from SharePoint** button is present on its **list page** on the **Freedom UI**.



2. On clicking this button, the user is notified saying that the SharePoint synchronization process has been started for this section.



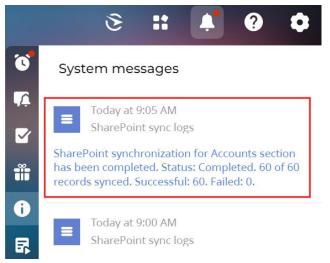
3. This bulk synchronization process synchronizes all the records present in the section with their corresponding SharePoint folders (if they exist). This process happens in the background.



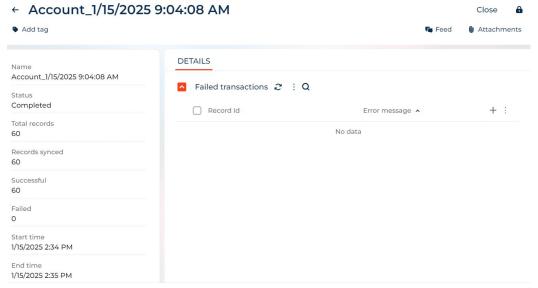
4. There can only be one active synchronization process at a time for a particular section. In case you try to sync from SharePoint when synchronization for the section is already in progress, you will receive the following message:



5. Once synchronization is complete, you will receive a System notification as shown below:

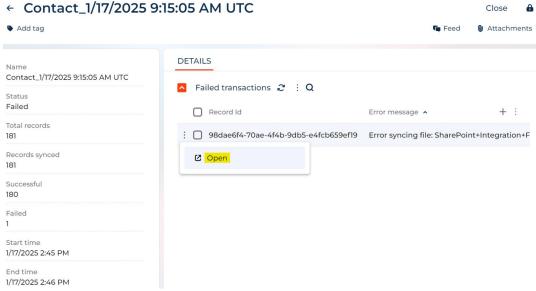


6. On clicking the above notification, you will be navigated to the corresponding synchronization log record with details on the total records, records synced, and the number of records for which the synchronization was successful / failed, in addition to the start and end time of the bulk synchronization process.

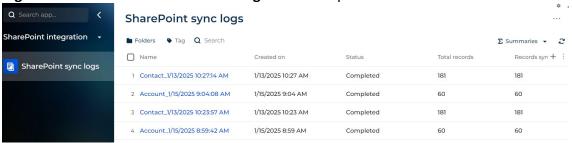




7. The SharePoint sync failure log detail will contain the list of records for which SharePoint synchronization failed along with the corresponding error message. On clicking the Open button, you will be navigated to the form page of the specific record.



8. All bulk synchronization logs can be viewed by navigating to the **SharePoint sync logs** section under the **SharePoint integration** workplace.



10.Developer API

As part of 5th Revision the connector has been upgraded with a Create Folder developer interface. A SharePoint folder will typically be created when a file is added to the Attachment detail of a configured section. In the event that the folders need to be created in advance, the developer interface can be utilized.

Following are the details about the Create Folder interface

Namespace: PsgSharePointDeveloperApiService Class Name: PsgSharePointDeveloperApiService Method Name: CreateSharePointFolderStructure

Method Input Parameters:

1. EntitySchemaName

a. Data Type: String

b. Definition: Code value of Entity Schema Name / Section Name

EntityRecordId

a. Data Type: string

b. Definition: Section Record Id based on which dynamic folders are created.



Ways to utilize a developer interface

- 1. Via client side
 - a. Call the Developer interface via a Button or an event using Service Helper
- 2. Via Script task (Business Process) or Source Code Schema
 - a. A source code schema or script task in a business process can be used to call the Developer API

11.Note To Existing Users

As part of 6th Revision the connector has been upgraded to use the Graph APIs instead of the SharePoint Rest API (Add-in model), which has been deprecated. If you are an existing user of the SharePoint connector from before this upgrade (as of 29th Dec 2023), kindly refer section 8.2 of the document (Azure AD App registration and document repository configuration) to set up the Azure AD App. Use the credentials of this Azure AD application to reconfigure the corresponding system settings.