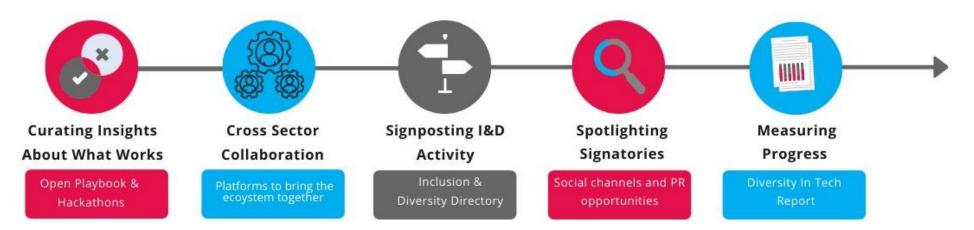


<The Tech Talent Charter Making diversity & inclusion work for you/>

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TECHTALENT CHARTER:





The Tech Talent Charter is a non-profit organisation leading a movement to address inequality in the UK tech sector and drive inclusion and diversity in a practical and uniquely measurable way. Bringing together industries and organisations to drive greater

inclusion and diversity in tech roles. Membership is free.

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<Inclusion & diversity leads to greater innovation and we need that now more than ever />

Companies with more diverse management teams have 19% higher revenues due to innovation*.

Covid-19 has amplified the importance of innovation in unprecedented ways – with widespread disruption, companies must innovate continuously, creating new markets, experiences, products and services.



*<u>Boston Consulting Group</u>



<Companies that do not represent their customer base and do not include diverse perspectives, especially in decision making seats, will be left behind./>



The business case for diversity is clear: diverse organisations perform better, have higher employee satisfaction and better financial returns, and are more innovative.



Better financial returns

Companies with strong gender and ethnic diversity are 15% and 35% respectively more likely to outperform their competitors (<u>McKinsey</u>)



Increased innovation and creativity

When employees 'think their organisation is committed to and supportive of diversity, and they feel included', their ability to innovate increases by 83% (Deloitte)



More attractive employer brand

54% of women and 45% of men surveyed said they researched if a company had D&I policies in place when deciding to accept a position (<u>PwC</u>)



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< To really move the dial on diversity, we have to flip the focus... and **keep it flipped /**>



Inclusion and Diversity

We must move the conversation forward and focus on building genuinely inclusive cultures.

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< Change the conversation /> We must broaden the discussion and move beyond just gender.

- Win people to the "why" at all levels
- Move it from zero sum game to how it benefits the individual
- Have the tough conversations policies aren't enough



< Lead the way on genuine inclusion for all />



- Get comfortable with being uncomfortable if you want to move the dial.
- Create safe spaces for all to be themselves, to ask questions, to get it wrong and then fix it.
- Find and empower champions, allies & support at all levels.

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< Change the rules to find new diverse talent/>

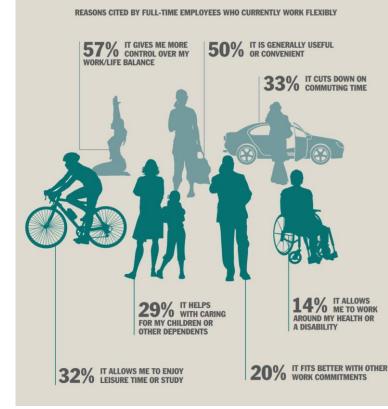


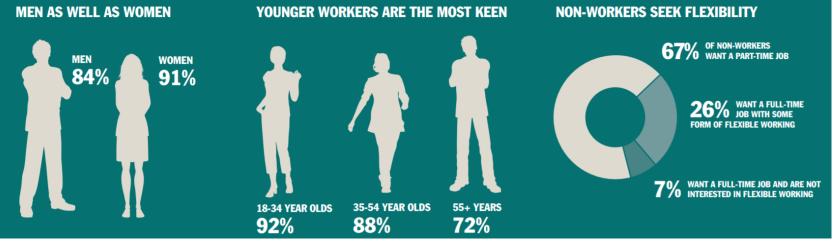
- Build in flexible, remote working as BAU
- Create more meaningful, part-time roles
- Look at alternate routes into tech—retraining programmes, returners and apprenticeships

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Flexible and part-time working







Timewise Flexible Jobs Index 2018

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70% of the women surveyed from across the UK said they would be interested in jobs in the tech sector and 45% of women expressed a willingness to retrain in a technical job.

Two million UK women are currently inactive because of caring commitments. 76% women on work breaks would like to return to work. *

54% of mothers say time requirements are too high.**

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**Research 2to3days.com

HP/Fawcett Society 2019 research

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< Get out of your silo />

Connect across the organisation, the sector & beyond.

- Collaborate & build partnerships.
- Share data.
- Share what works...& what doesn't.
- Create communities & ecosystems.



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- Focuses on the practical & collaboration
- Creating national, regional & local ecosystems

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