

### PSYCHOLOGY OF LEADING A HYBRID WORKFORCE

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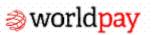


































### TODAY'S AGENDA



- 09:00 09:05 Chairman's Introduction
- 09:05 09:30 Keynote Address Julie Brophy & Gary Ashton
- 09:30 09:45 Questions & Answers

### TODAY'S SPEAKERS





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# THE PSYCHOLOGY OF LEADING THE HYBRID WORKFORCE



Building more connected organisations...



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### THE PSYCHOLOGY OF LEADING THE HYBRID WORKFORCE



### Agenda...

- Introducing OE Cam
- Context
- The five challenges for leaders
- Leading in a hybrid environment
- Summary
- Questions



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### WHAT IS A HYBRID WORKFORCE?



A definition...



The combination of working from home and in a shared location

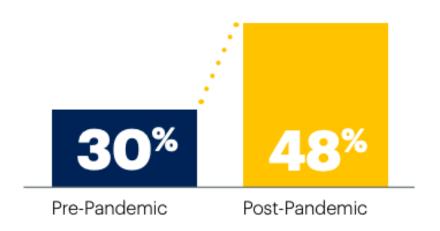
### CONTEXT



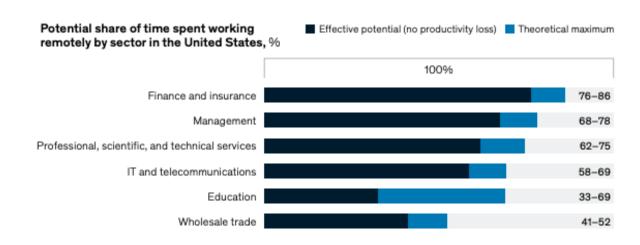
Long-term changes in where work takes place...

#### What's happening?

Nearly half of employees will work remotely at least some of the time



The Finance and Insurance sector has the highest potential for remote working

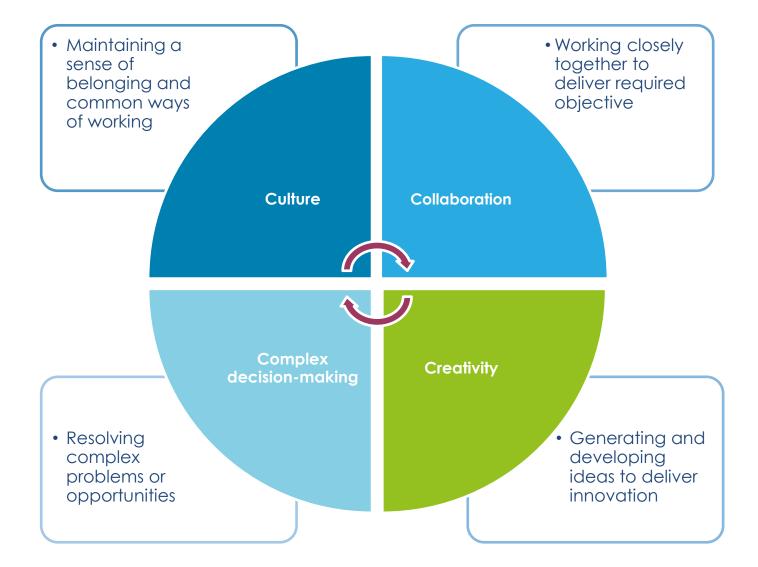


**Source**: Gartner, Future of Work Trends Post Covid (June 2020)

### WHY BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER IN A SHARED LOCATION?



Where there's a benefit from face-to-face...



### POLL - PREPARING FOR HYBRID

Where are you on your thinking?

Where is your organisation in its planning towards bringing in Hybrid Working?

- a) Advanced planning underway
- b) Just started to think about it
- c) Haven't started planning yet
- d) Not planning any changes in 2021
- e) Don't know



### THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS?



Hybrid working will bring challenges as well as benefits...

PROs		CONs
I can flex when and where I work		I am missing out on being involved in some bigger decisions
Meetings have become more efficient		I miss the casual, spontaneous conversations
There is reduced emphasis towards those with power in the room		When remote, I feel more isolated
I feel more independent		I feel less connected to the organisation
I make more productive use of my time	<del></del>	I find it harder to develop beyond what I am currently doing
		I am mentally exhausted

### THE FIVE CHALLENGES FOR LEADERS



As leaders, how can you...

- 1. Effectively motivate and communicate with hybrid teams?
- 2. Apply organisation design to support the effectiveness of hybrid teams?
- 3. Find the balance between more traditional 'command & control' and the increased empowerment of a hybrid workforce?
- 4. Overcome your unconscious biases about in groups and out groups?
- 5. Help your team members come through the emotional fall-out of Covid?

### LEADING IN A HYBRID ENVIRONMENT



Effectively motivate & communicate...



#### 1. FOCUS & PERSPECTIVE

know where we are going & the role I play



#### 2. AUTONOMY

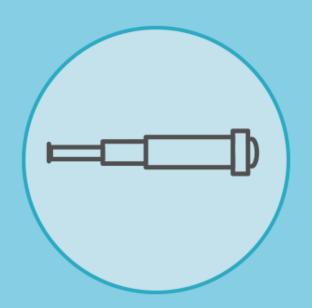
I have sight of the goal & control over how I achieve it



### 4. SECURITY

I know where to get support





# FOCUS & PERSPECTIVE

# Clearing the way



### 1. FOCUS & PERSPECTIVE

I know where we're going & the role I play...

Communicate purpose & direction

Adapt roles to minimise number of hand-offs / interfaces



Build effective interfaces to make decisions





### AUTONOMY

# Shifting the mindset of the leader

### 2. AUTONOMY

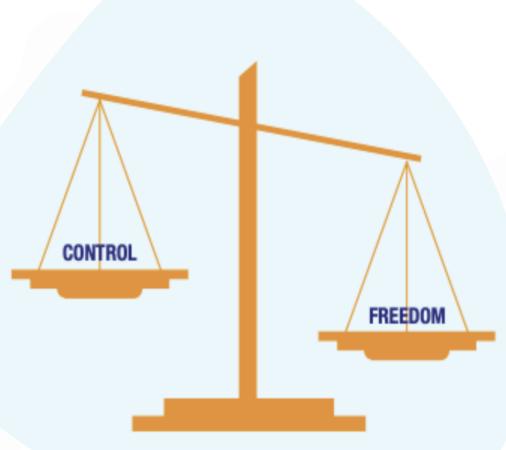
I have sight of the goal & control over how I achieve it...

How do I provide more context and less control?

What can I delegate?

How do I keep connected?

How do I adapt to a more coaching style of leadership?





### **ATTACHMENT**

# Keeping the 'One Team' feeling

### 3. ATTACHMENT

I feel part of something...

Mitigate the formation of 'in groups' & 'out groups' and Present Privilege

Be aware of any unconscious bias

Stop the deterioration of trust





### SECURITY

# Maintaining the mental health of your team

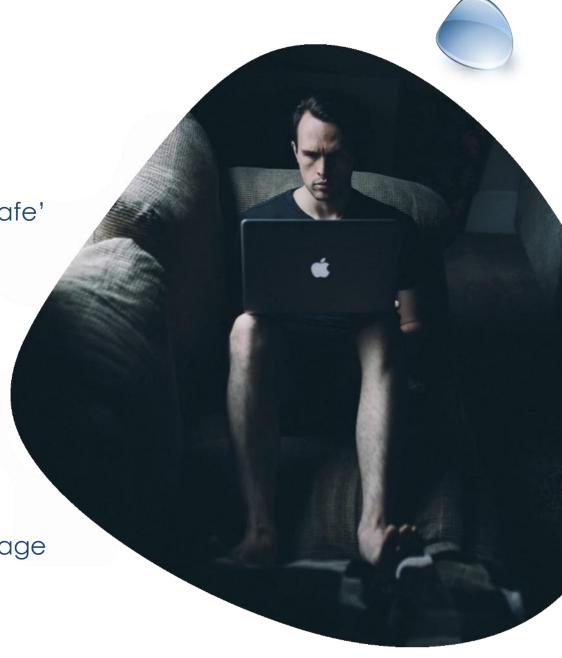
### 4. SECURITY

I know where to get support...

Establish an environment that is psychologically 'safe'

Mitigate employee's self-limiting beliefs

Use 'positive bias' language



### SUMMARY & REFLECTIONS



SHIFTING THE MINDSET OF THE LEADER



2. AUTONOMY

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4. SECURITY

I know where to get support

CLEARING THE WAY

1. FOCUS & PERSPECTIVE

know where we are going & the role I play



3. ATTACHMENT

I feel part of something

KEEPING THE 'ONE TEAM' FEELING

MANAGING THE MENTAL HEALTH OF YOUR TEAM

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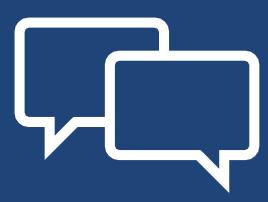
### **POLL** - REFLECTIONS



Where are you on your thinking?

Of these four areas, which is the **most important** for your organisation to address over the next few months?

- a) Focus & Perspective
- b) Autonomy
- c) Attachment
- d) Security
- e) Or a combination of the above



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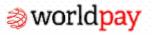




































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