

# Hanover Jackson

>> People leading change in a changing world

## >> Making a success of Home Working

More than just extra toilet paper & coffee



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# Our programme for this evening

- »» 1730 Welcome
- »» What does homeworking mean to you?
- »» Homeworking : the good, the bad and the ugly - breakout
- »» 1815 Comfort break/refresh your drinks (10 mins)
- »» What difference does difference make?
- »» How do you make the switch easier?
- »» How do you make the change stick?
- »» Top tips
- »» Help desk
- »» 1900 Close



# Introduction & welcome



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## >> What's it all about?

- Home working overview + pointers, with some practical take-aways you can use/share, for individuals and leaders.

## >> Sue's skills?

- Sold and delivered this for a living since the 90's as a psychologist/change manager/management consultant.

## >> Sue's experience?

- Designed/delivered PWC Embankment Place London 'Right Space' programme, for flexible working
- BT consultant to wide number of clients bringing psychology and tech together for successful flexible working
- Now like many of you, running my own business.



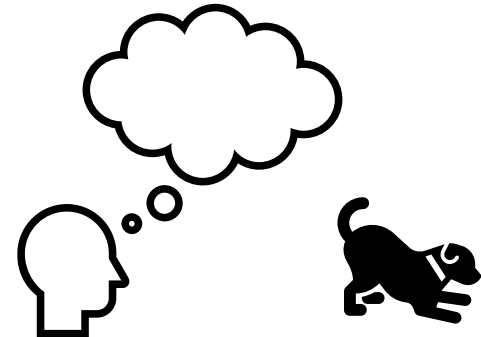
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# ▲ Welcome poll : Why are you here this evening?

To get us warmed up....

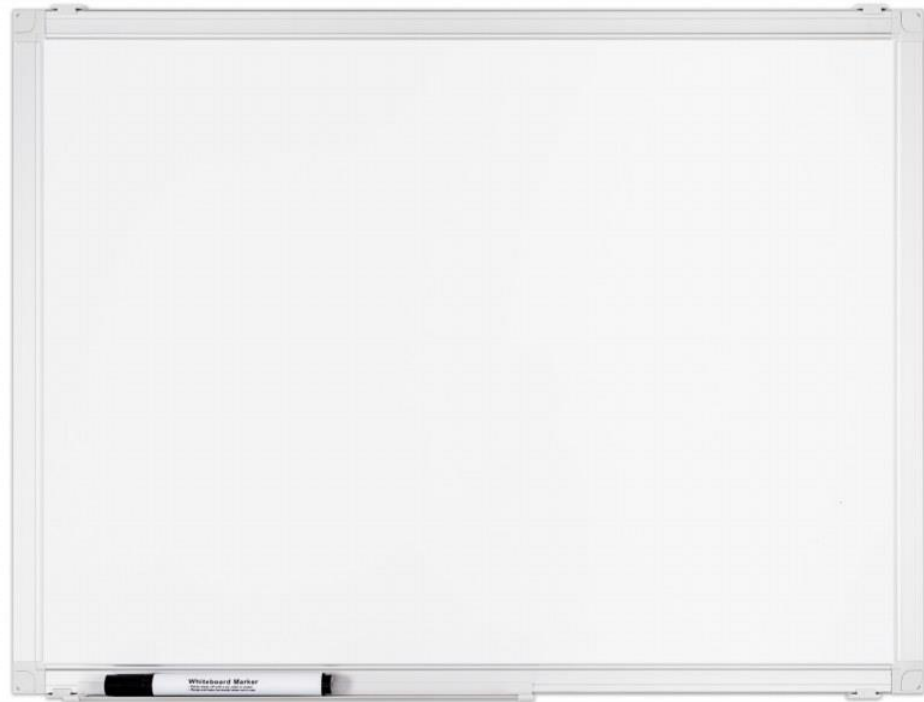
1. Find out more about the benefits/pitfalls for homeworking
2. Make it easier to work at home myself
3. Understand how to lead a team of home workers
4. Help clients to make home working more effective for them
5. Have joined this Zoom to avoid washing up/making dinner/walking dog

Tick as many as you agree with

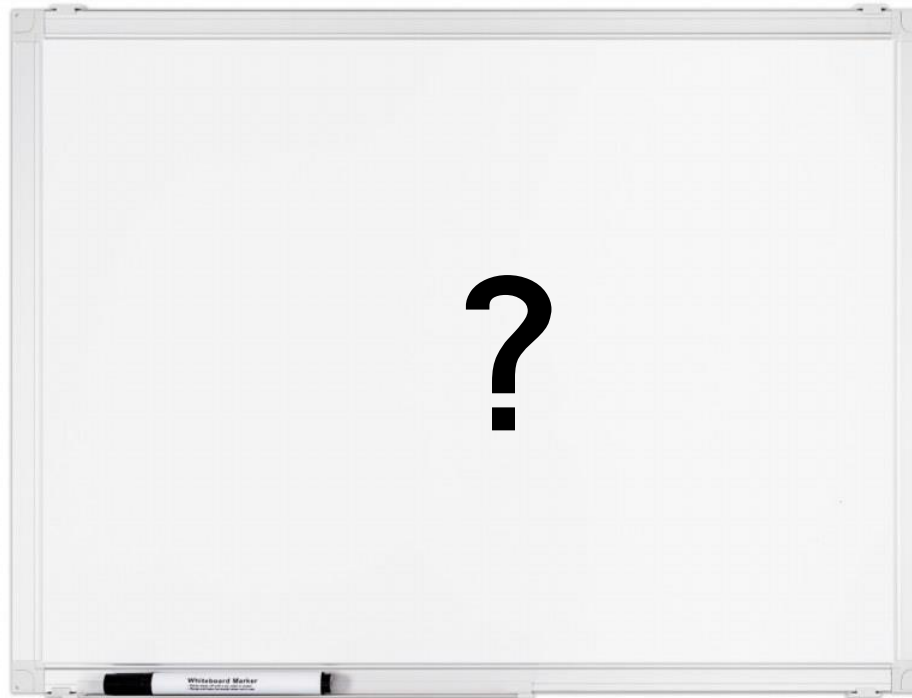


# ▲ What's homeworking all about for you?

- >> Using the Zoom whiteboard.....
- >> What are the words or phrases that spring to mind when you think about 'Home working'?



# ▲ What did we learn from the whiteboard?





# If we had a whole day....



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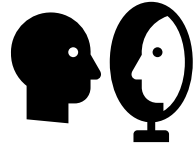
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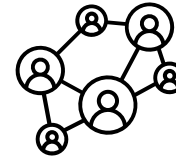
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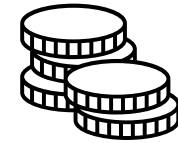
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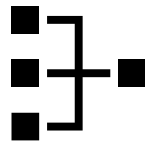
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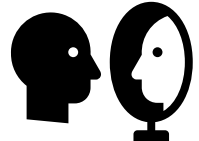
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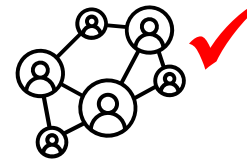
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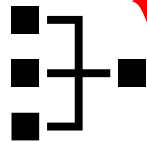
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# Breakout rooms

>> In your breakout room ....7 minutes to :

- Pick a spokesperson for the group
- Discuss your allocated point of argument and note your 5 main points



>> Back to plenary, ready to share

# ▲ 10 Minute break



# ▲ Plenary feedback from breakouts

- » Homeworking : The good, the bad and the ugly
- » Why is homeworking a bad idea?
- » Why is homeworking a great idea?



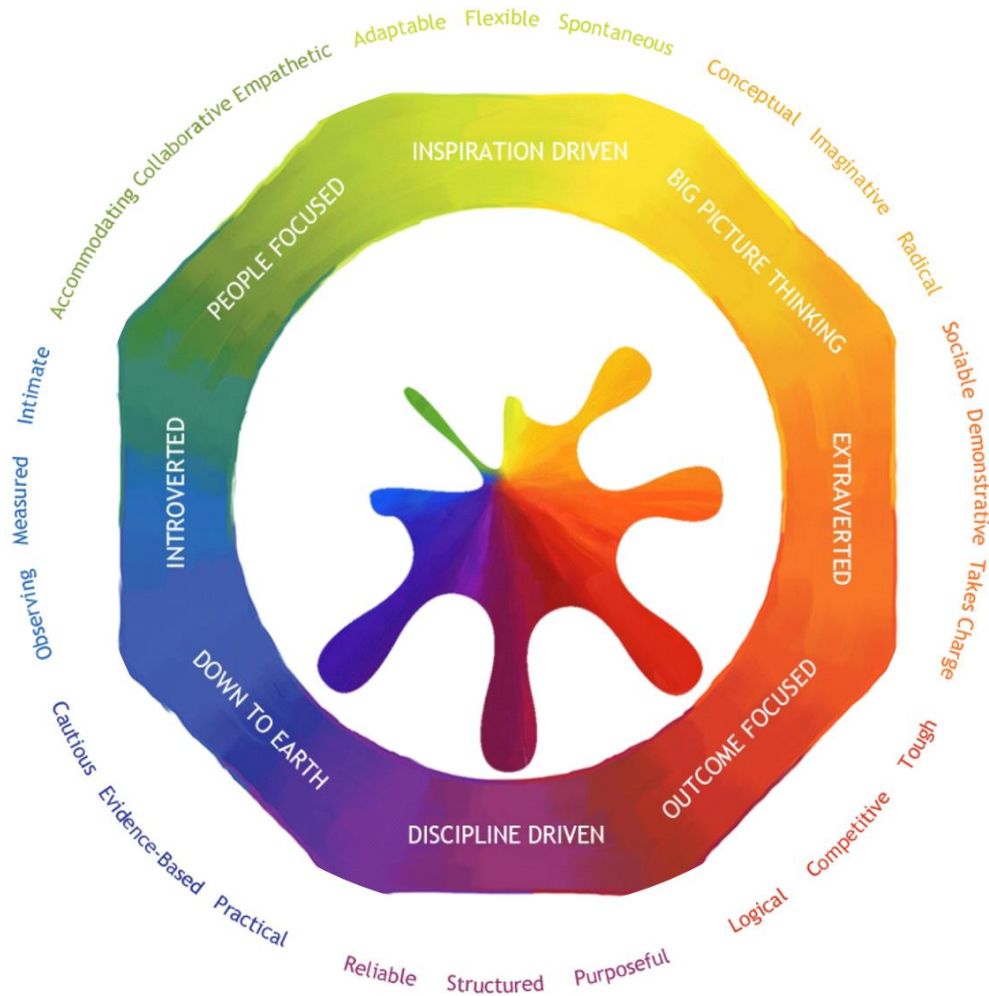
# ▲ What did we learn from the breakout ?

» Is homeworking relevant? Doubly so! Why?

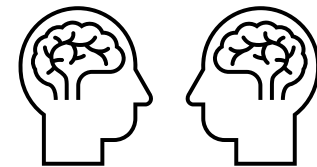
- Cost control has always made this important
- Environmental/green agenda has become a hot issue
- Now COVID 19 makes it a burning issue
- The experience is very much a personal one
- No longer a 'nice to do', it's now a 'must do'....but plenty of pitfalls to avoid



# ▲ What difference does 'difference' make ?

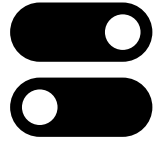


- What sort of people work best when it comes to homeworking?
- How does individual difference affect how you tailor homeworking for yourself/others?
- How might differences impact performance?
- Try it for yourself – download the free Splash app for your smartphone and try out the basic version of the Spark psychometric <https://splash.luminalearning.com/>





# How do you make the switch easier?



- >> Management consultants – more flexible than most people?
- >> Maintain consistency where you can – what can you keep the same?
- >> Increase sense of control where you can (especially given the COVID factor)
- >> Get the right kit – from headsets to staplers
- >> New routines can be a bit stressful – be sure to relax. Here's a super-speedy (1m12s) one to try <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bq2EPNM8wjw>



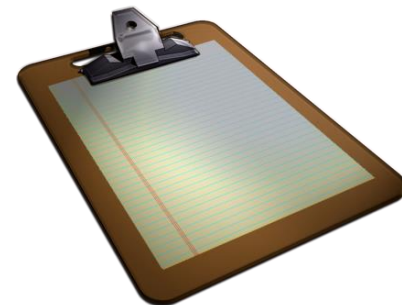
# How do you make the change stick?

- »» Keep asking people what they like, what they want more of, and what they want to change – make the homeworking environment personal, not remote/disconnected from the business
- »» Train people for the new world – and that includes yourself! And keep training/reminding/co-creating and evolving
- »» ‘Brand’ and market your homeworking model – don’t let ‘vanilla’ homeworking mean that your team might just as well work for someone else!
- »» Reward people regularly (yourself too)



# ▲ 7 Top Tips for home working

1. **Create a working environment which works** for you. Take advantage of the new situation – what is your perfect set-up?
2. **Make sure you're sitting comfortably** and you have the right kit for the job
3. **Set up some 'office' routines** which fit with the individual differences you've identified, for yourself and others
4. **Co-create for a sense of control** when you're leading a team or working with others
5. **Walk to and from 'work'** and manage pressure where you can
6. **Work to build trust** and don't fall in to the trap of substituting Zoom/Teams/skype etc for all day office-style visual contact
7. **Don't overwork** – decide on your hours and stick to them 90% of the time





# Help desk questions?



Happy to try and help with any questions  
Hands up?



 Thank you

