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Resilience the whole picture

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Survival





Four pillars of resilience



Organisation and Team



Four pillars of resilience

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Individual





If you can start the day without coffee

If you can always be cheerful, ignoring aches and pains

If you can take criticism and blame without resentment

If you can conquer tension without drugs

If you can relax without alcohol

If you can sleep without sleeping pills....

Well, then, you're probably the family dog.





What are the problems for which resilience is a possible solution?

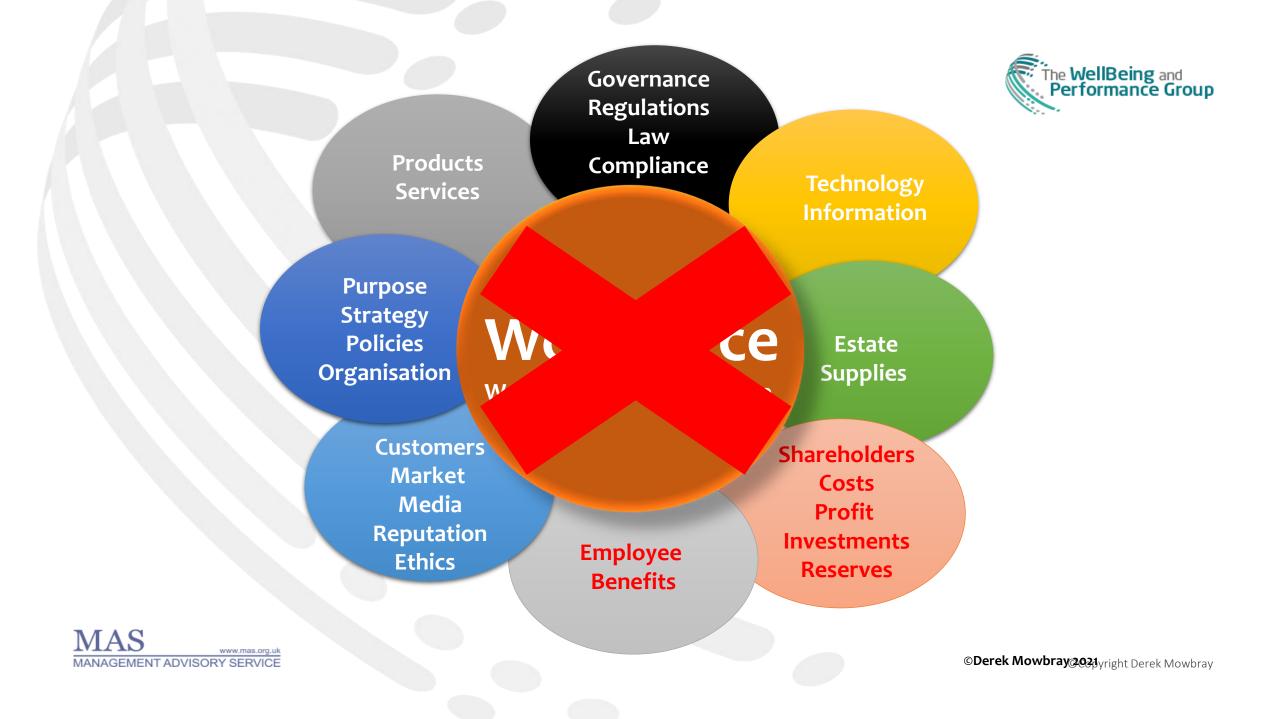






Problems cause continuous under-performance unless they are solved





High personal wellbeing Good business performance

Characteristics:

Clear purpose

Commitment, Trust, Engagement, Motivation
A culture of Psychological Responsibility
Good work terms and conditions
Sharing Responsibility for Future Success
Adaptive leadership and people management
Staff and customer focus
Low sickness absence
Low staff turnover
Low costs/high profits/surpluses

Average personal wellbeing Poor business performance



Characteristics:

Ambiguous purpose Invisible leadership

Transactional management culture Average work terms and conditions

Average staff engagement/motivation

Good company wellbeing support

Good company benefits

Average sickness absence

High staff turnover

High costs/ low profits/deficit

Poor personal wellbeing Average business performance

Characteristics:

Ambiguous purpose

Average work terms and conditions

Blame culture with constant inspections

Transactional and technical management

Bureaucratic and tick box driven

Incentive and bonus schemes

High levels of presenteeism/sickness absence

High number of tribunals

MANAGEMENT ADVISORY SERVICE verage staff turnover

High costs/Minimal profits/surpluses

Poor personal wellbeing Poor business performance

Characteristics:

Ambiguous purpose

Poor terms and conditions

Lack of Commitment, Trust, Engagement

Coercive, competitive and bullying culture

Autocratic management

Powerless workforce

High level of presenteeism/sickness absence

High numbers of tribunals

High staff turnover

High costs/Losses/deficit

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Some good; some bad Performance Group characteristics of leaders

Sociopathic

Compassionate

Narcissist

Bully

Emotionally intelligent

Passive aggression

Autocratic

Persuasive

Harasser

Selective hearing



Share responsibility

'Bad' Behaviour Iceberg





Ingredients of under performance, and misery

Blame; bullying; dis-engagement; pass the buck; lack of motivation; lethargy; lack of responsibility; loss of identity; lack of ownership; loss of purpose

Psychosocial Risks



ORGANISATION RISKS

WORKFORCE RISKS

PERSONAL RISKS

External risks:

Political change Economy Demographic shift Demand Internal risks:

Culture
Responsiveness
Reputational damage
Organisational performance
Workforce management
Technology/IT
Capacity
Fragmentation

Culture
Change
Downsizing/Collapse
Mergers/Acquisitions
Growth
Mismatched skills
Fragmentation
Uncertainty
Dis-engagement
Under-performance
PsychoPresenteeism

Life events:
Change
Ill health
Accidents
Work events:
Intimidation
Threats
Conflicts
Insecurity
Fear
Boredom
Discrimination



Psychosocial threats



Corporate events

Poor leadership
Purpose ambiguity
Toxic Culture
Complicated structure
Unnecessary change
Financial collapse
Mergers and acquisitions
Downsizing
Growth and expansion
Draconian regulations
Cosmetic values

Personal events

Poor management **Ethical dilemmas** Work life inbalance **Inadequate IT Inadequate car parking** Lack of own space Hot desks **Open plan offices** Irrelevant meetings Uncontrollable time **Clashing expectations Excess demands Inadequate induction** Lack of exercise

Poor nutrition

Peoples' behaviour

Poor manager behaviour **Conflict relationships Bullying/har**assment **Discrimin**ation **Intimidation** Job insecurity Poor performance tolerance **Fear** Impersonal interaction **Isolation Boredom** Loss/bereavement **Accidents/**illness

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Strain and distress cause huge resource losses in organisations, including money, innovation, energy, engagement, and added costs from mistakes, errors, litigation, repeats,

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slowness, agency staff. © Derek Mowbray 2023 yright Derek Mowbray



What is stress?





What is STRESS?
How do we recognise it?
Is it an ILLNESS?
Is it a symptom of
a greater unease?
Is it?





Stress



Mental stress is an extreme adverse psychological response to personal perception of uncontrollable pressure, tension and strain





Stress its interference with concentration and its impact on performance and productivity



Degrees of stress

A stimulant until personal control is lost

Pressure



Engagement

Challenges

Tension

A stimulus to get rid of the tension

Threats



An impairment to performance

Strain

Distress

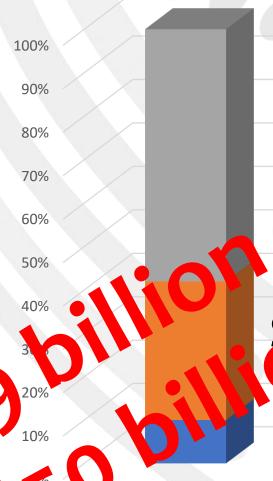
Dis-engagement

A catastrophe – can lead to serious ill health



The price of strain





Psychor resentee sn

Signess absence

Attrition

Disengagement
Under-performance
Money
Suberfluous people
Wistakes and errors
Repeat tasks
Creativity deficit
Innovation deficit
Motivation deficit
Process driven

Inability to realise potential

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What is resilience?





Survival in a turbulent world Highest possible performance Greatest possible productivity Least possible avoidable losses

Greatest possible flexibility, agility and adaptability

Greatest possible satisfaction

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Resilience



Making an effort to overcome extremely stressfull situations without experiencing any stress



Message

Resilience is a choice; a choice made to serve self-interest









Context



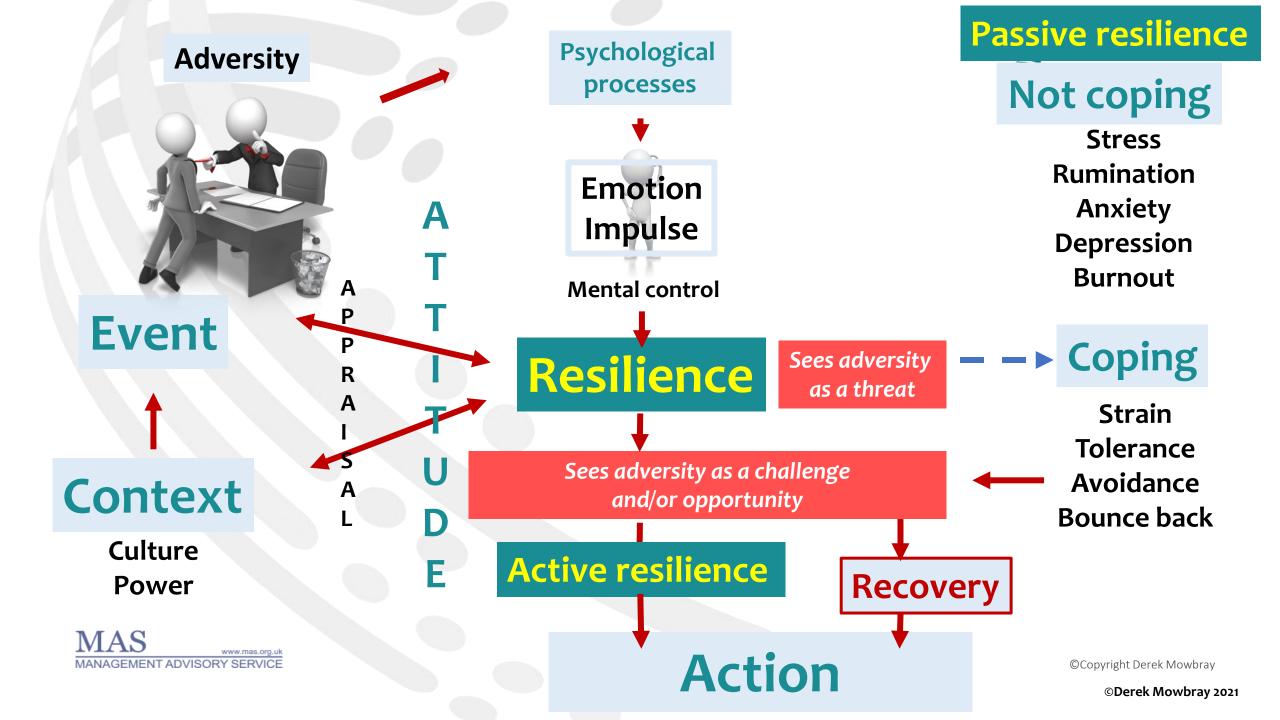
What's in it for me? Can I be bothered? Have I got the energy? Am I capable?

Individual





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Passive resilience

Head down, coping, hoping the event will pass, and you 'bounce back' unscathed







Active resilience

Someone who looks a challenge in the eye and gives it a wink







Turn threats into challenges



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Step 1:

Decide on the strategic frameworks to follow



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Self interest



Organisation

Psychological

Wellbeing

(health and Safety)

vides



Performance





Individual





Strategy 2 Prevent deterioration

Absence management
Employee assistance
Occupational health
Stress risk surveys
General practice

Strategy 5

Next generation

Sustainability

Adaptive culture

Adaptive leadership

Adaptive & resilient person

Adaptive working environment

Strategy 1 Prevention

Adaptive culture
Adaptive leadership
Adaptive working environment
Adaptive and resilient person

Strategy 3 Restoration

Absence management
Employee assistance
Occupational health
Stress risk surveys
General practice

Strategy 4 Palliation

Voluntary work
Specialist rehabilitation
Return to work initiatives



WellBeing and Performance Agenda



SHARING RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUCCESS

OUTCOMES LED AND VALUES DRIVEN CULTURE BOLD leaders
ADAPTIVE
Leadership

Responsible management

PSYCHOLOGICAL RESPONSIBILITY

ADAPTIVE WORKING ENVIRONMENT

RESILIENT,
PRODUCTIVE and
HIGH PERFORMING
WORKFORCE



Outcomes led and values driven culture

Sharing Responsibility

Leaders and Leadership

Intelligent Management Psychological Responsibility

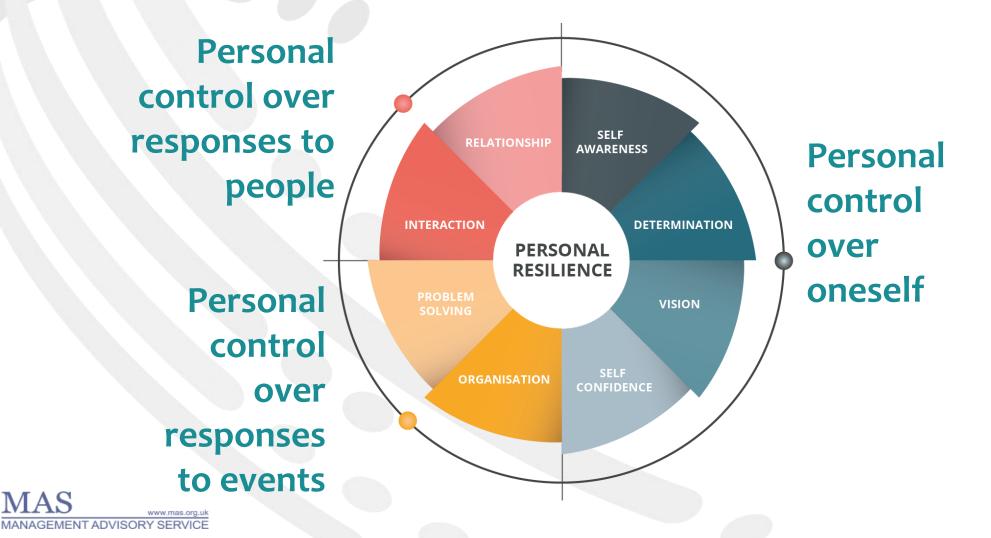
Team



Resilience Framework

The Personal Resilience Strategic Framework







Possible approaches

to solving the problems and provoking organisations, teams and individuals to be resilient





Leaders create a working environment

that reduces the need for resilience and which enhances self-efficacy and self-esteem

Leaders, managers and supervisors

strengthen self-efficacy and self-esteem

Individuals enhance

their own self-efficacy and self-esteem





Step 2:

Transforming managers into leaders



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What is the leader's role in the resilience of their team?







Managers, acting as leaders, must help to align team interest with self-interest



The manager, acting as leader, reference

To facilitate the creation of a psychologically healthy and safe working environment (that prevents team adverse events)

To provoke team members to feel psychologically safe, healthy and mentally fit

To help team members strengthen the foundations for their resilience





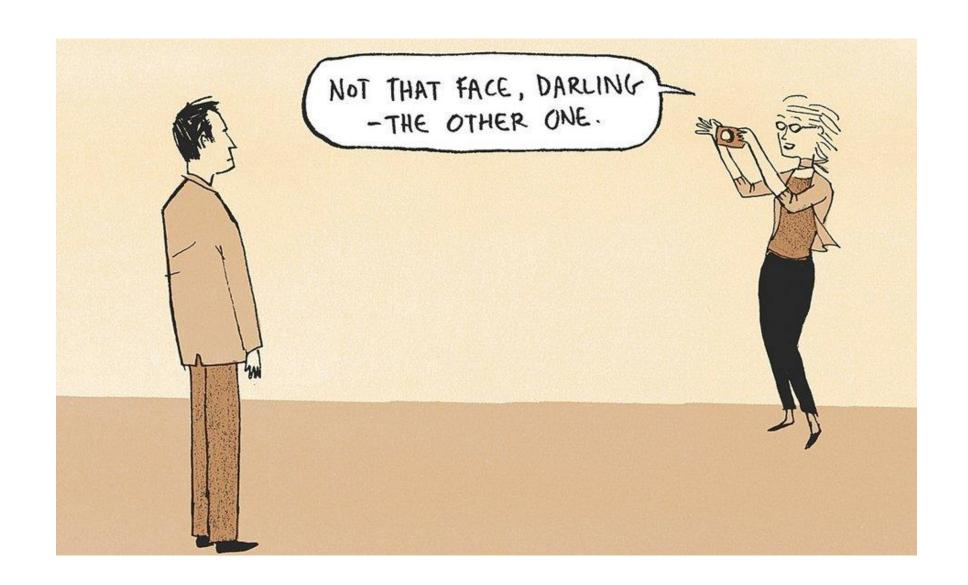
Leaders need to be outstanding for teams and organisations to be resilient

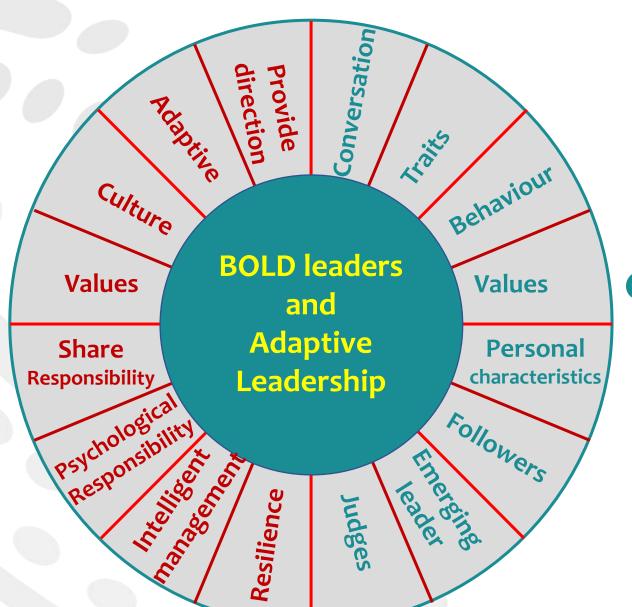




Processes need managers; people need leaders









Leader
Characteristics
and
Skills

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Leadership

Tasks



It's the job of a leader to ensure the workforce is in perfect working order, knows where it is going and knows how to get there





The leader's main skill is holding conversations and creating rapport with followers



What are the main features wellBeing and of BOLD leaders?

B behaviours O ownership L leadership D delivery

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Status power; emotional intelligence; Intelligent Behaviours; seduction.

Sharing responsibility for the future success; Psychological Responsibility

Adaptive leadership

A psychologically healthy and safe working environment; guarantee a successful organisation



Emotional intelligence Questionnaire



Intelligent Behaviour



Encouragement

Forgiveness

Intelligent kindness

Integrity

Optimism

Attentiveness

Trust

Intellectual flexibility

Humour

Attitude of curiosity

Compassion

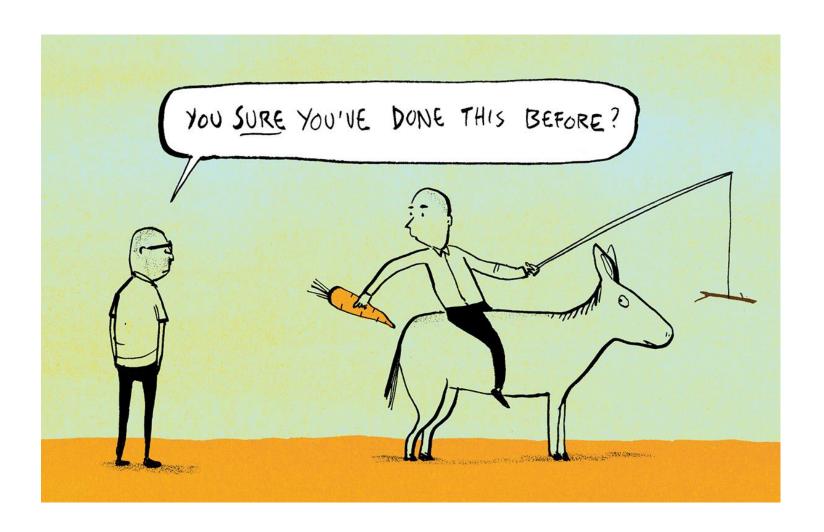




Intelligent Behaviours Questionnaire



The art of persuasion



Behaviours used to persuade The WellBeing and Performance Group

Attentiveness Trustworthiness Wisdom **Assertiveness** Intelligence with humour **Passion Direction with committed ambition** Addressing individual needs **Nurturing others**

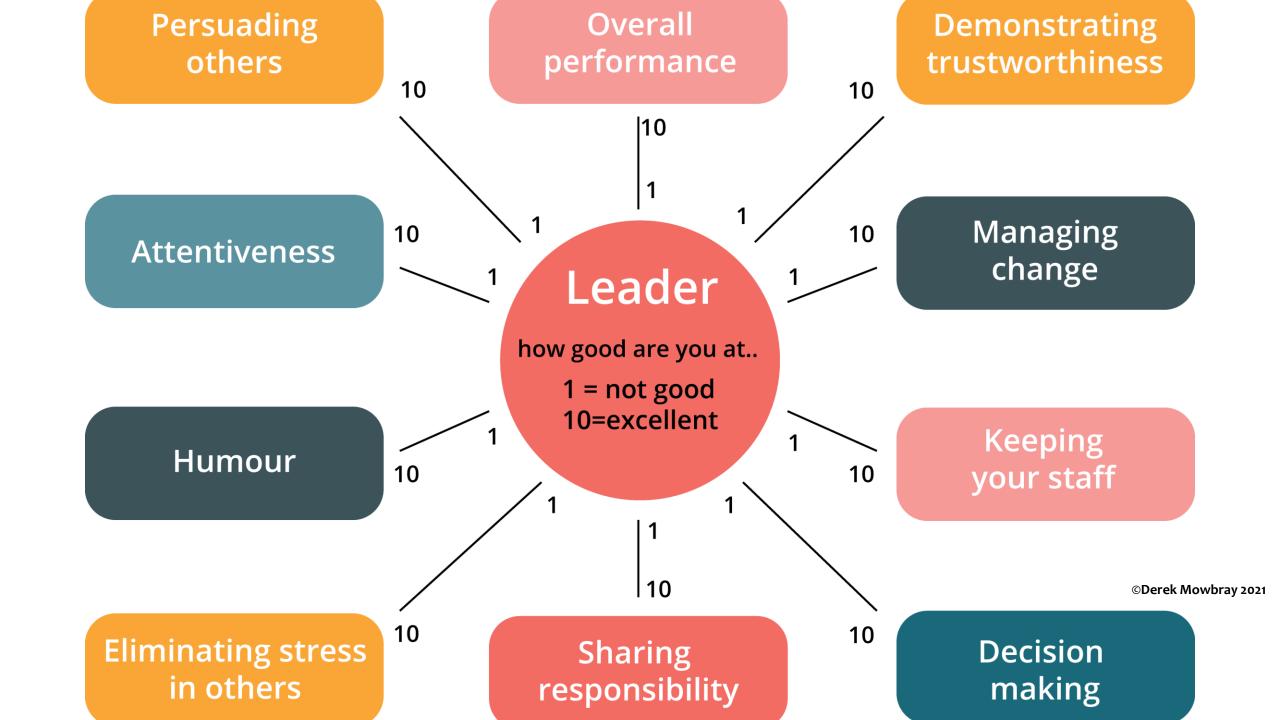




Adaptive Leadership

A process of sharing responsibility for future success amongst everyone in the organisation









Just how fabulous a leader are you? questionnaire





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Step 3:

Embedding cultural influences



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How do you create resilient teams?





Wellbeing, Resilience and Performance Culture

Purpose that is clear and unambiguous, expressed as a simple 'big idea', an idea which all staff relate to closely, and are proud to discuss with friends and colleagues

Atmosphere that uses the combined intelligence of the workforce by sharing responsibility for the future success of the organisation, where all staff are encouraged to think independently, are attentive to each other, are kindly and supportive of each other, and act with compassion.

Behaviour that is respectful towards each other, value each other's views and opinions, work in teams which are places of mutual support, where anything is debated without a hint of humiliation, where the critique of individual and team work is welcomed, discussed and where lessons are learnt and implemented

Staff who project a confidence towards clients and customers, who 'go the extra mile' by providing unsolicited ideas, thoughts, stimulate each other, and where their interest in their customers offers something more than is expected, beyond courtesy, and beyond service, offering attentiveness and personal interest.

Leaders and managers who extract the best from their workforce by challenging their staff, providing opportunities for personal development through new experiences, and who treat everyone with fairness and understanding.

An organisation that is driven by its values towards organisational and personal success, Intellectually, financially, socially and emotionally.



Adaptive Culture Questionnaire



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Ethical values

Purpose

Corporate values

Vision

Cultural Values



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Message

Resilient teams need to stand for something, or they will fall for anything





Purpose

What is the purpose of your team?

Expressed in outcome terms, and as a 'big idea'







Vision

What is the vision for your team?







Cultural values





Cultural Values



Financial needs come first

Social Responsibility

Integrity

Performance management

Customer needs come first

Psychological Responsibility

Workforce needs come first

Ethics

Sharing Responsibility for future success

Health

Challenges

Involvement

Pay

Encouragement

Critical appraisal

Job

Go the extra mile

Trust

Kinship

Clear purpose

Relationships

Security

Visible presence of the top brass

Elephants in the room

Corporate Citizenship

Diversity and inclusion

Creativity

Think independently

Act with humanity

Equality

Quality

Career development

Money

Attention to detail

Talent management

Social engagement

Success

Mutual expectations

Mental and Physical safety







Team values





Corporate/Team Values

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Our shareholders

Our workforce

Our customers/clients

Our partnerships

Our psychological responsibility to ourselves and others

Our suppliers

The communities we serve

Our bankers

Our products and services

The quality of what we do

Our reputation

Our Board

Our local politicians

Our financial situation

Customer satisfaction

Our stakeholders

Our regulators

Our social responsibility







Ethical values





Ethical Values

1.	Power	To control others so they do what they're told.		
2.	Submission	To do what others tell me to do.		
3.	Ethical standards	To believe in and maintain ethical standards.		
4.	Responsibility	To be accountable (to somebody and myself) for all my actions.		
5.	Justice and Parity	To behave fairly and equally towards everyone.		
6.	Integrity	To be consistently open, honest and genuine.		
7.	Lying	To never tell a lie or be economical with the truth at work.		
8.	Revelation	To reveal everything there is to know about an issue with which I have an interest.		
9.	Helpfulness	To provide assistance to anyone with a need.		
10.	Competent	To be as skilled as possible at whatever I do.		
11.	Probity	To act with integrity, uprightness and honesty.		
12.	Selfless	To act without self-interest and only in the interests of others.		
13.	Trustworthy	To be consistent in everything I do.		
14.	Honourable	To adopt high principles.		
15.	Conscientious	To be thorough, careful and vigilant.		
16.	Virtuous	To conform to moral and ethical principles.		
17.	Confidential	To maintain confidences of others; to keep personal information confidential.		
18.	Veracity	To adhere to the truth.		
19.	Fidelity	To be forever faithful to a cause.		
20.	Principles	To act according to my own immovable principles.		
21.	Fairness	To be fair equally to everyone in every situation.		
22.	Apologise	To apologise before being asked to do so when a situation arises.		
23.	Openness	To be open and transparent in my dealings with others.		
24.	Courteousness	To be courteous to everyone I meet.		









Resilient teams members are 'all in it together'



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Step 4:

Embedding principles that provoke teams and individuals to be resilient



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Sharing responsibility for team success



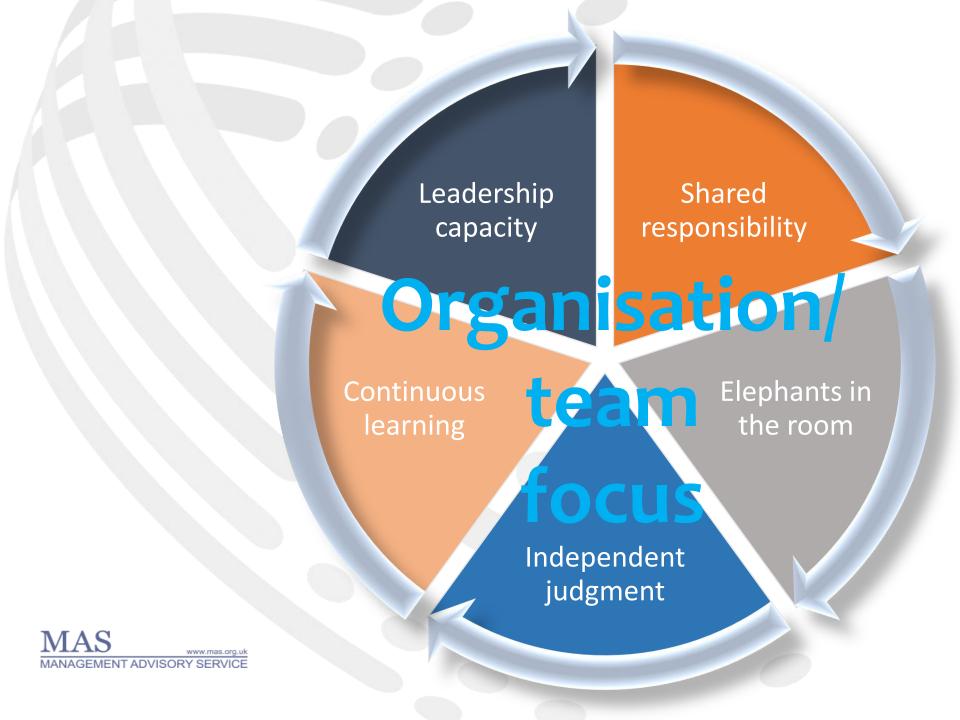














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The Adaptive Organisation Questionnaire

http://www.mas.org.uk/masprivqs/modules/ass113.html





Share responsibility for the future success of the organisation/team

Do you feel responsible for the whole organisation, not simply your own part of it?

Do you share resources?

Do you share rewards for corporate success?

Do you share ideas across the organisation?

Do you encourage job shadowing across the organisation?
Do you encourage understanding of all parts of the organisation and how they work?



Is critical appraisal of and across the organisation encouraged as a routine, normal, activity?

Being and nance Group

Elephants in the room are named and dealt with

Are you encouraged to raise and discuss controversial and difficult issues?

Why not start at the top? Why not start with you?

Are you OK if we openly discuss difficult issues about **YOU**?

Do you allow critical appraisal to be normal behaviour?

Do you invite observations, questions and respond positively to them?



Do you always keep in mind the success of the organisation and team, not the reputation of individuals?

Elephant in the Room The WellBeing and Performance Group







Please write down why YOU are 'the elephant in the room!'

Independent judgement is expected



Do you delegate adaptive challenges to others?

Have you made yourself dispensable?

Do you constantly give away

your work to others?

Do you encourage others to do more than their job descriptions?

Do you help others tolerate ambiguity and uncertainty?

Do you always keep in mind the right things to do to advance the purpose of the organisation?





Write down two ideas to make your team more successful tomorrow compared with today



Reflection and continuous learning is institutionalised

Do you spend time on reflection and learning?

What have you learnt today?
What failures have turned into successes?
What failures have been grasped from the jaws of success?

How is your external environment changing?
What internal pressures are a reflection of environmental changes?



What challenges might there be just beyond the horizon?

Executive leadership capacity is expanded

To what extent is succession planning the norm within the team/organisation?

Is executive leader talent nurtured?
Are executive leadership tasks delegated?

Is the encouragement to discuss and resolve adaptive challenges?

Are other peoples' ideas valued and applied?

Are people prepared for elevation to executive positions?



Four pillars of resilience





Psychological Responsibility









Feeling psychologically well is the only way to be in mental control





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Psychological Responsibility



Responsibility to:
Look after your own
Psychological Wellbeing



Responsibility to:
Look after the
Psychological Wellbeing
of everyone else





Psychological Wellbeing@Work questionnaire



Where do you lie on this line?







Success (achievement)





Assertive behaviour



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Defensive

behaviour

Form score



10 Lifetime Peak form

9 Excellent form 8 Very good form

7Good form

6 Average form

5 Low form 4 Very low form

Extremely low form

l am struggling and need help

Crisis, seek help now



Looking after yourself

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Purpose

Happiness

Success

Hope

Resilience

Meaning

Pleasure

Empowerment

Survival

Curiosity

Control

Motivation

Self-efficacy

Self-esteem

Flow

Optimism

Attachment

Gratitude



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My Psychological WellBeing

WellBeing factor Your current WellBeing factor Your current Group						
WellBeing factor	Your current status	WellBeing factor	Your current status	erformance Group		
Purpose		Motivation				
Self-esteem		Curiosity				
Self-efficacy		Empowerment				
Flow		Pleasure				
Optimism		Meaning				
Attachment		Resilience				
Gratitude		Норе				
Control		Success				

Score: answer the question – 'to what extent does [wellbeing factor] make me feel psychologically well?' current status –

1 = nowhere near fulfilling my psychological wellbeing;

5 = totally fulfilling my psychological wellbeing



Intelligent Behaviour – helping others and doing no harm Performance Group

Attentiveness

Encouragement

Forgiveness

Intelligent kindness

Integrity

Optimism

Trust

Intellectual flexibility

Humour

Attitude of curiosity

Compassion





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Step 5:

Adopt intelligent management



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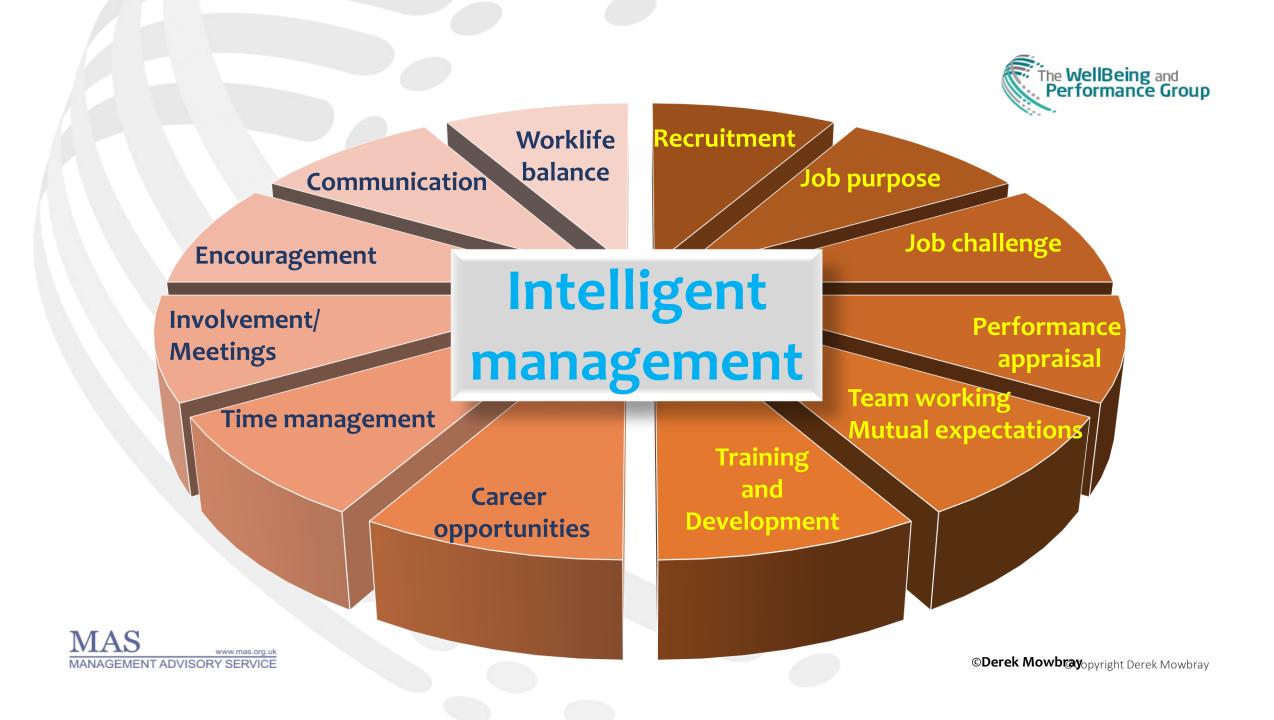
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Leaders see team management from the team members point of view



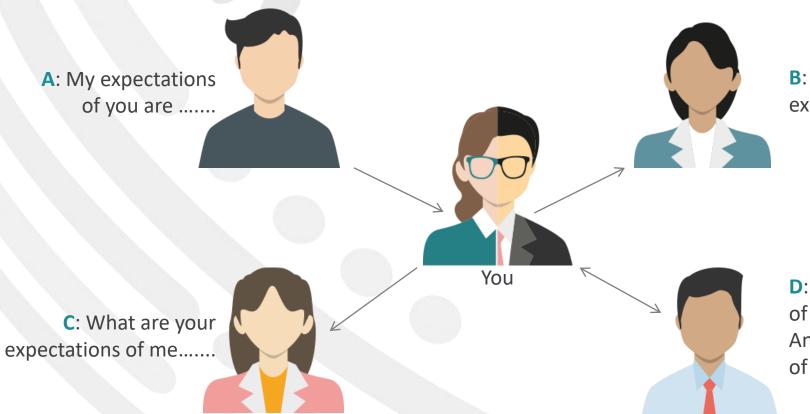


Establishing mutual expectations



Relationships





B: What are your expectations of me......

D: My expectations of you are......

And your expectations of me are......

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Meetings

Agenda – should always be questions to answer

Content – should be able to sell tickets to your meetings because they are soooo good!





Step 6 – Enhance the foundations for personal resilience – session 2



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Organisation and Team

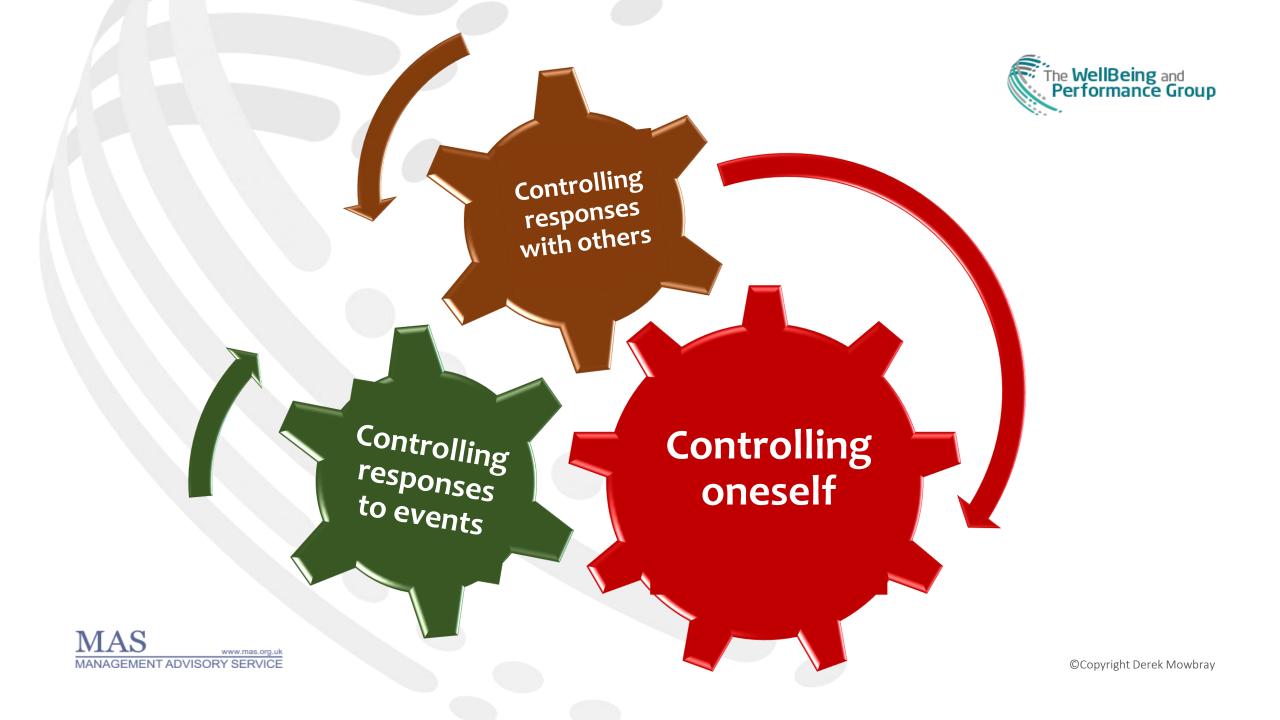


Individual





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The Personal Resilience Development Framework





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MAS products



for the prevention of stress at work

- Leader and adaptive leadership development
- Transforming managers into leaders
- Organisation development adopting:
- The WellBeing, Resilience and Performance Agenda

Development of a psychologically healthy and mentally fit place to work





- Development of a psychological safe and healthy working environment
- A positive work culture development:
- Outcomes led and values driven
- Psychological Responsibility
- Senior team and Team development
- ✓ High engagement remote meetings
- ✓ Organisation and team resilience
- Personal resilience development





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- Consultancy and advice on topics linked to products
- ✓ Mentor on topics linked to products
- Facilitation of workshops, action learning sets, development groups:
 Programmes linked to products
 - Conference or large group presentations:
- ✓ Topics linked to products
- ✓ Training in 'taking your training remote'
- ✓ Train the Trainer programmes
- eLearning programmes linked to products
- Mediation; conflict resolution



