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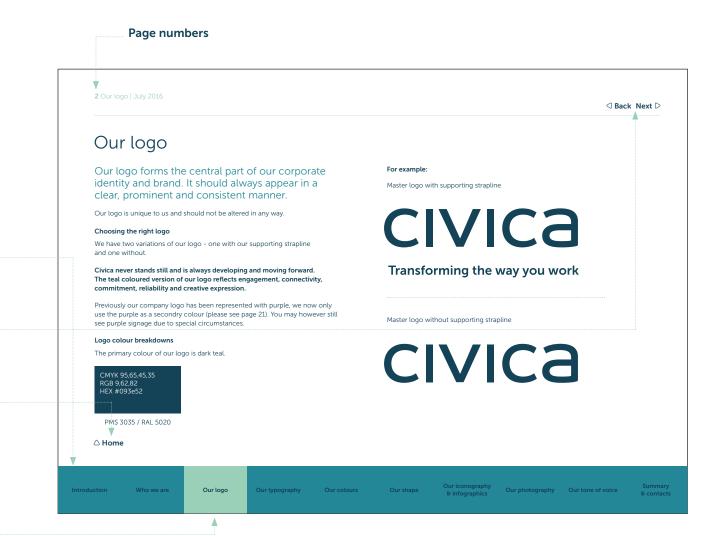
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#### Home button

This will take you back to the start of this interactive document.

### Section identification

Each section is highlighted so you know where you are in the document.



### This is our brand

As we continue to grow, many things influence the way people think about Civica. Everything we say or do either enhances or diminishes the perception of Civica. So, whether you are an employee, customer, partner or supplier, by following these guidelines you will help us to build and preserve a single, distinctive, powerful and engaging brand that is recognised and respected across all of the markets we serve throughout the world.

This document is designed to help you use our identity correctly but not restrict your creativity. It introduces the basic principles of Civica's corporate identity system and provides guidance on its use. For any non-standard use, please liaise with your local marketing contact.

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We encourage our people to develop their full potential in an open and supportive environment, guided by our three core values of Knowledge, Integrity and Action (KIA).



## Our brand essence

### Ideas into action

Our strapline is underpinned by our brand essence, **ideas into action**, which positions us as a highly innovative organisation with the creative and technical capability to turn our client's challenges into transformational solutions.

(Please note: This is not a campaign or strapline but it can be used to support either of these).

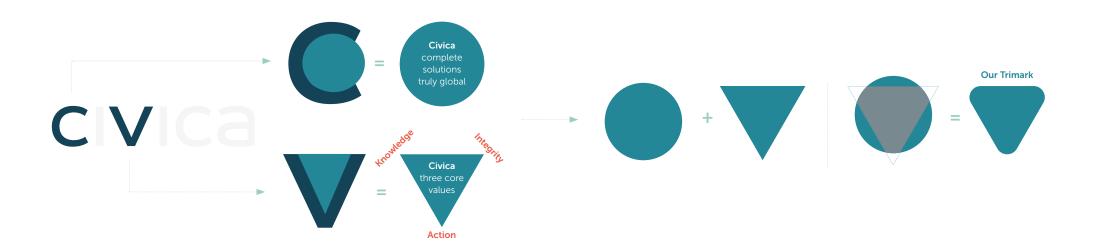
## Our strapline

### Transforming the way you work

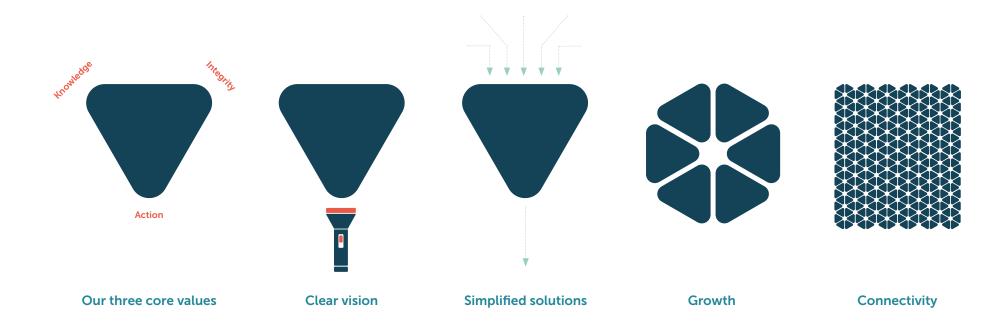
We recognise that our customers are professionals under pressure to make a difference to people and places. They want a partner who understands their business and their ethos, who is capable of delivering on their promise and introducing new ideas, enabling them to **transform the way they work.** 

## The thinking behind our Trimark

Our graphic device is a clear and simple shape that can be used as a dynamic element that influences our creative. It can be used in a variety of ways and in doing so stops our creative becoming repetitive and predictable, whilst still maintaining a clear and consistent brand.



## What our Trimark stands for



## Our logo

Our logo forms the central part of our corporate identity and brand. It should always appear in a clear, prominent and consistent manner.

Our logo is unique to us and should not be altered in any way.

### Choosing the right logo

We have two variations of our logo - one with our supporting strapline and one without.

Civica never stands still and is always developing and moving forwards. The teal coloured version of our logo reflects engagement, connectivity, commitment, reliability and creative expression.

To date, our logo has been purple. However, to support our brand's evolution, moving forwards, all new creative should be produced using our dark teal logo. Existing creative that includes the purple logo is nonetheless still considered to be on brand.

### Logo colour breakdowns

The primary colour of our logo is dark teal.

CMYK 95,65,45,35 RGB 9,62,82 HEX #093e52

PMS 3035 / RAL 5020

### For example:

Master logo with supporting strapline



### Transforming the way you work

Master logo without supporting strapline

**CIVICa** 

## Using our logo

To maintain consistency across all of our creative, only the following variations of our logo can be used.

### Full colour version

The full colour version should be the first choice of logo on all full colour materials. Where possible, it should always appear on a white, pale coloured background or positioned within the clear space of an image.

#### Mono version

The mono (black) version should only be used where colour printing is not an option, i.e. mono colour press advertisements. This version must not be used instead of the colour version on any full colour materials.

### White-out version

A third version of our logo is available in the form of a white-out format. This must only be used if clarity of the colour version is not possible, i.e. on dark or contrasting coloured backgrounds. This can be reversed out of any of our primary or secondary colours, or imagery as long as the maximum clarity is maintained.

### For example:

Full colour version + strapline

Full colour version no strapline



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Transforming the way you work

Mono version + strapline

Mono version no strapline



civica

Transforming the way you work

White out version + strapline

White out version no strapline





## Logo exclusion zone

To ensure that our logo has maximum impact, we recommend that it is surrounded by an 'exclusion zone'. The exclusion zone is shown here by the outer dashed line and should be left clear of copy or other graphical elements where possible.

The distance of the exclusion zone has been calculated using the full height of the letter 'c'. The exclusion zone will expand or contract depending on the size of the logo being used. This zone should never fall outside of the page.

NB: Where it is not practical or possible to include the full exclusion zone, for example in social media, advertisements or email campaigns, please use common sense to find the most visually appealing solution.

### Example exception:

Civica Twitter page.



### For example:

Master logo with supporting strapline:



Master logo without supporting strapline:



## Misuse of our logo

It is important that the appearance of our logo remains consistent. It should never be misinterpreted, modified or added to.

Please ensure that master files are used when reproducing our logo on any materials.

### DO NOT:

Distort the shape of the logo\*



### DO NOT:

Outline the logo



### DO NOT:

Rotate the logo



### DO NOT:

Use the logo as a watermark



### DO NOT:

Add letters or text to the logo



### DO NOT:

Change the colour of the logo



Re-typeset the logo in any other font





### DO NOT:

Add any extra elements to the logo



### DO NOT:

Place the logo over an image or background where the clarity or ledgibiltiy is affected



#### DO NOT:

Place an image within the logo



<sup>\*</sup> To avoid distorting our logo, when increasing or decreasing its size, simply hold the shift key and click on one of the corners and drag accordingly.

# Positioning & sizing our logo

It is important that we are consistent in how we position our logo on all materials. Where possible, we recommend that our logo sits top left or bottom left of the page.

NB: Where this is not possible, please position our logo to best suit the creative.

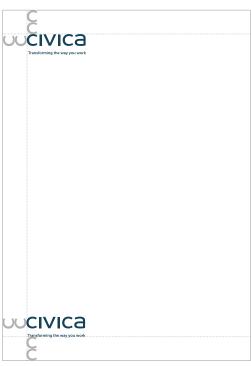
As a guide, our logo should always sit at a distance of double the height of the letter 'c' from the edge of the pages. (See example opposite).

The minimum size that our logo should ever appear with the strapline is 30mm in width. When it is necessary for this to appear smaller, please remove the strapline.



### Recommended position:

Example created for visual reference showing the double 'c' space.



### **Exception example:**

Taken from the 'Invigorating the public sector revolution' summary.



## Presenting a Civica division or service

The Civica logo should never be used alongside a division, service, solution or product.

When creating a piece for a specific Civica division or service, the copy, imagery and general look and feel should be the main consideration to demonstrate the message. There is no need to directly reference the Civica division or service you are promoting, as it should be represented through a strong headline where possible and its general look and feel, whilst maintaining the Civica identity.

#### DO NOT:

Add the division or service to the logo



### Example cover:

Taken from 'The next generation in housing management solutions' brochure.

The Civica logo should be placed in accordance with the guidelines.

Please note that the positioning of the header is dictated by the layout of the creative, but it should be distinctly separate from the Civica logo. For more examples of headline layouts, see page 15.

Strong imagery identifies the Civica division and corresponding target audience.



Presenting solution/product sub-branding is referenced on the next page.

# Sub-branding convention for solutions or products

A style has been set for use when specifically promoting business unit solutions or products. Please use the format below but not alongside the Civica logo.



This is the layout for a description of the solution or product. It tells the reader what the product/solution does and which division it belongs to.

For Housing the 'mustard' colour has been chosen to represent their solutions. (CMYK 0,35,85,0).

Any division of Civica which offers solutions or products of this nature can select one of the four Civica accent colours (See page 20). However, once a division has selected a colour, we recommend that the same colour is used for all of their solutions or products.

### Example cover:

Taken from the 'Cx, Civica housing management solutions' brochure.

The Civica logo should be placed in accordance with the guidelines.

Engaging imagery summarises key messaging.

Please note that the positioning of the sub-brand is dictated by the layout of the creative, but it should be distinctly separate from the Civica logo.



Emotive headline used to reinforce the division/service.

Iconography used here to identify the relevant Civica division.

## Our primary font

Our font is called Museo Sans. It is clean, modern and complements our brand look and feel.

Museo Sans should be used on all typographic applications including body copy, sub headlines and main headlines. Please only use the weights and styles of Museo Sans specified to the right.

Please note: Our primary font is not to be confused with any other style of Museo.

Museo Sans 300
Museo Sans 300 italic
Museo Sans 700
Museo Sans 700 italic

## Our secondary font

When Museo Sans is not available, then Arial must be used as an alternative.

Arial must not be replaced with any other typeface and should only be used across all internal documents where Museo Sans is not available. Please only use the weights and styles of Arial specified to the right.

Arial Regular

Arial Italic

Arial Bold

## Our typographic styles

The way we use type is very important to our brand because it gives us a distinctive look and feel.

The following are examples of how we treat type in specific cases like headlines, subheadlines and quotations, as well as how we emphasise certain points within the body copy.

### Headlines

Our headlines should be clear and legible. They should be set in lower case apart from the first letter of the first word which should be upper case.

We have a distinctive style when it comes to setting headlines and where possible we mix Museo Sans 300 and 700 together. They can appear in the same colour or a mix of two colours, either two primary or one primary and one accent colour. (See 'Our colour palette' on Page 21).

The Museo 700 part of the header is the part that accentuates the most important part of the sentence. This may appear on either line.

### Typesetting a headline

As a rule, whatever the point size of the heading, then the leading should be set at 3 points more, i.e. 27 point text with 30 point leading.

See examples opposite and on the following page.

### For example:

Single colour, Museo Sans 300 and 700

# Responding to the changing citizen

Two colour, Museo Sans 300 and 700

# Characteristics of the new future model

One primary and one accent colour, Museo Sans 300 and 700

Invigorating the public sector revolution

### **Subheadlines**

We should use subheadlines to help clarify parts of copy from within larger sections of text. These are done in two ways, one is larger and set in Museo Sans 300 (but never as large as the main header), and the other is the same size as the body copy and set in Museo Sans 700.

### Typesetting a subheadline

As a rule, whatever the point size of the heading, then the leading should be set 3 points more, i.e. 20 point text with 23 point leading.

### **Example spread:**

Taken from '2015 Annual review'.



### For example:

Single colour, Museo Sans 300

## Connected, mobile, independent and self-serving

Two colour, Museo Sans 300

## Politically disengaged but locally engaged

### Subheader for body copy, Museo Sans 700

### **Hull City Council**

Civica is delivering outsourced revenues and benefits services for Hull City Council in a 7-year partnership designed to drive service performance and efficiency, sustain local employment and save the council £5 million. The company's specialist partnership model has allowed Hull to achieve significant savings from day one while safeguarding more than 200 local jobs. Civica has also created a transactional processing centre in the city which blends private and public sector expertise to provide flexible and scalable services for other local authorities.

## Here are some examples of how you can use fonts to draw attention to key copy.

### **Body copy**

Where possible, standard body copy should be set in Museo Sans 300 at a size of 9 point with 12 point leading.

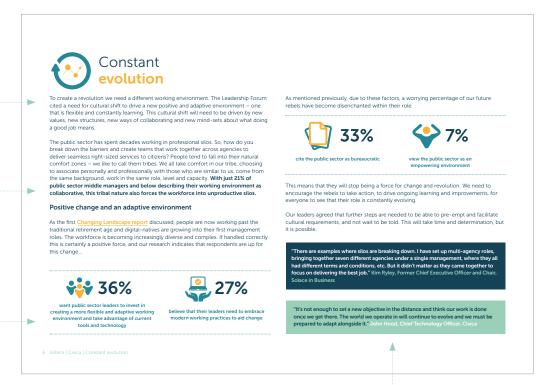
### Highlighting key information

There are times when we need to emphasise copy and there are various ways that this can be done. In the example, the key information is set in Museo Sans 700.

Where statistical information and infographics are shown, the supporting copy is set in Museo Sans 700 to pull out the key information.

### Example: Single page landscape

Taken from the 'Invigorating the public sector revolution' report.



### Quotations

Quotations are very important and should not be missed by the reader. When we have quotations, we should pull these away from the main body copy where space allows.

## Here are some examples of how you can use fonts to draw attention to key copy.

### Dividing and breaking content up

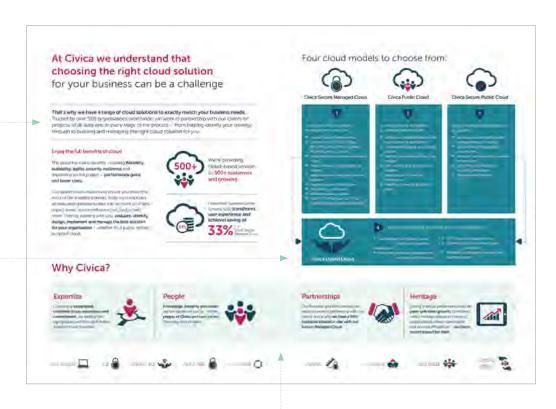
Using dotted lines to break up text allows the reader's eyes to breathe and draws their attention to certain information. You can use these in a variety of ways, including horizontally and vertically over multiple or single columns.

### **Diagrams**

The use of diagrams and infographics is always encouraged. They catch the reader's attention and encourage engagement. Diagrams and infographics should simplify the content and make it more digestible for the reader.

### **Example: Portrait double page spread**

Taken from the 'Civica cloud solutions' brochure.



### **Backgrounds**

A coloured background can be used to highlight information. This again draws the reader's attention to key areas of content and makes the document and its contents more engaging.

# Using column grids on a portrait page

It is important that we are consistent when setting column grids for page layouts.

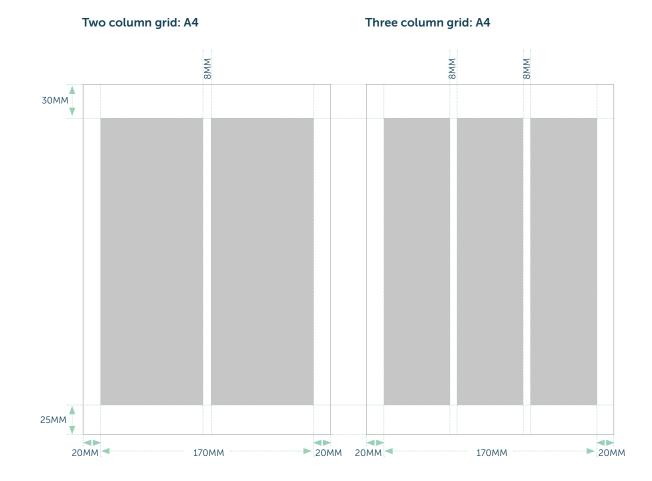
We have two grid systems to follow. One is a two column grid and the second is a three column grid. Variations of the two can be used to give more flexibility in your creative.

NB: Spine widths may need adjusting to accommodate.

### Example spread:

Two column portrait grid example taken from the '2015 Annual review'.





# Using column grids on a landscape page

## The same rule applies when setting up column grids on a landscape page.

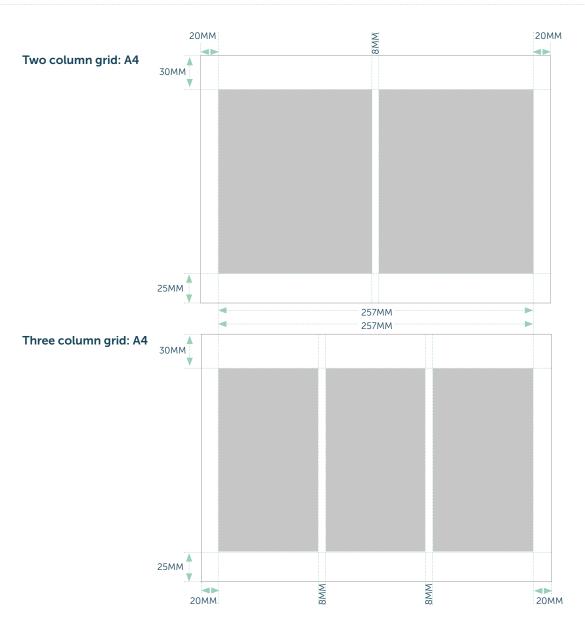
We have two grid systems to follow. One is a two column grid and the second is a three column grid. Variations of the two can be used to give more flexibility.

NB: Spine widths may need adjusting to accommodate.

### Example spread:

Two and three column landscape grid examples taken from the 'Enabling a new world of public service delivery' report.





### Our colour palette

Our colour palette is a key part of our visual identity and ensures that we have a consistent and distinctive look and feel. Our colours represent Civica as a whole rather than specific areas of our business, giving us more flexibility and consistency in our designs.

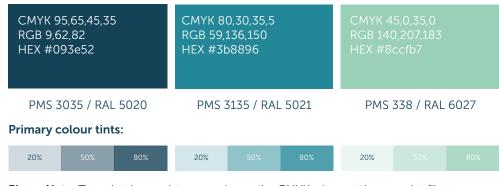
We have a set of three primary colours **which should** be used as the dominant colours in all creative.

There is also a set of four accent colours which are used in a 'supporting role' to the primary colours.

To get the proportion of colours right, we suggest that at least two primary colours and one accent colour are used together. More accent colours can be added, but ideally they should never overpower the primary colours. Where possible, all creative should be made up of **70% of our primary palette and 30% of our accent palette.** 

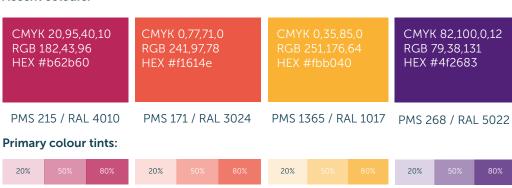
By following this simple rule our colour palette can be flexible whilst still maintaining corporate consistency.

### **Primary colours:**



**Please Note:** To maintain consistency, only use the CMYK when setting up print files and RGB when setting up digital files. **The Pantone and RAL references are for guidance only.** 

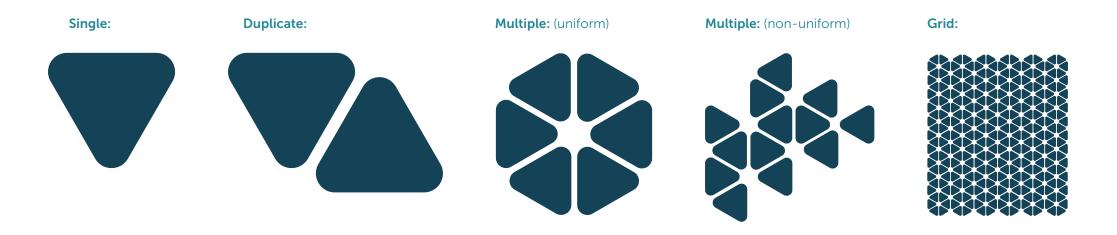
### **Accent colours:**



**Please Note:** To maintain consistency, only use the CMYK when setting up print files and RGB when setting up digital files. **The Pantone and RAL references are for guidance only.** 

## Using our Trimark

This is a clear and simple shape which can be used as a dynamic element to support and influence our creative. This is not our logo and it should not appear on every piece of collateral. It should always have a purpose and be used sparingly. Above all, love our Trimark and feel free to get creative with it!



## Using our Trimark

Our Trimark can be used in a variety of ways, i.e. as part of a diagram, to frame images, overlaid over images, or just as a simple shape.

The following examples should give you guidance, but they are by no means restrictive:

### Frame imagery within the shape:

Taken from the 'Invigorating the public sector revolution' report.



### Imagery in the grid:

Taken from the 'Civica IT Managed Service' brochure.



### Overlay on images:

Taken from the 'Civica Expo 2016, Financial Times' publication wrap.



## Using our Trimark

### Use to create a pattern:

Taken from the 'Civica banners'.



### Use as part of a diagram:

Taken from the 'OnDemand' interactive pdf.



### Break out from the grid:

Taken from the Bristol South West Hub wall graphics.



## Our iconography

Our iconography should be simple and clear in style. They should only be used to illustrate or emphasise certain facts or points within the narrative. They should be used sparingly and should never overpower the page layout or creative.

New iconography will be developed as required, but this must follow the approved style.

Remember, our iconography can only be reproduced in either two colours (one primary colour and one accent colour), or a single colour (either primary or accent).

### For example:

Two colour version: One primary and one accent.









Single colour version.



















































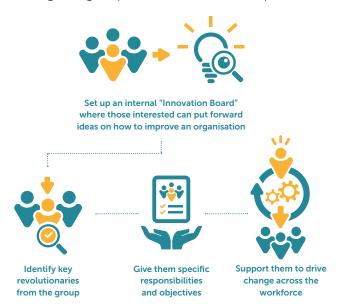


## Our infographics

When communicating statistical information, infographics are a creative way of making the data more memorable and easier to digest. We can incorporate our Trimark and iconography into the design of our infographics, but should remember not to over complicate, or over use them.

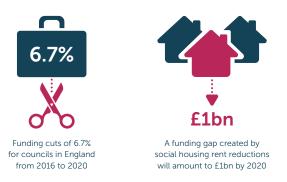
### Example one:

Taken from the 'Invigorating the public sector revolution' report.



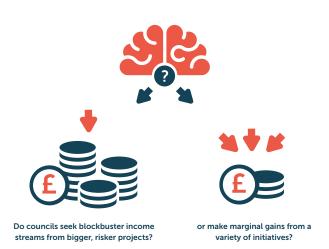
### **Example two:**

Taken from the 'Commercial imperative for local government' report.



### **Example three:**

Taken from the 'Commercial imperative for local government' report.



## Our photography

Choosing a style of photography that is relevant for Civica is very important. Not only does it set the tone of the creative, but it suggests understanding and authenticity. All of our photography should be genuine, realistic and unposed.

### Hero shots

People images should be the primary choice for any piece of creative. People are important to the Civica brand story and therefore they should form the theme/basis of the majority of our images.







## Our photography

### Up close and personal

These images should be used as cameo shots to support the narrative. People are still important in this style of shot, but sometimes the detail can be lost when a shot is reproduced at a smaller scale. This style of photography uses tight crops of the people in the shot to perhaps represent a service or market area.



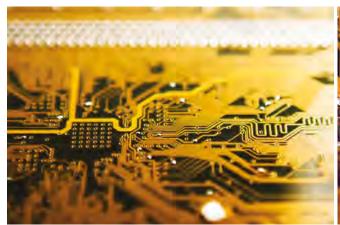




## Our photography

### **Abstract images**

This style of shot should only be used in a supporting role. These images are abstract in nature and do not include people, but they do still relate to the markets or subject referred to in the narrative. This style of imagery should only be used if an appropriate up-close detail shot is unavailable.







## Transforming the way we communicate

## Written communications are important brand tools.

They provide a direct way to deliver our brand messages, and, delivered correctly and consistently, they are a powerful way to build relationships with our audiences.

In the same way that our business is about making sense of complex processes, our communications should work in a way that best expresses our brand.

To ensure our communications deliver the maximum effect, the tone of voice we use is governed by our three core values: KNOWLEDGE, INTEGRITY and ACTION.

The following guidelines show us how our values help us to create efficient, on-brand communications.



### Demonstrate KNOWLEDGE by applying SENSE and ORDER

Organise and scrutinise your communications for optimum clarity:

- Ensure facts, spelling and grammar are correct.
- Ensure terms and phrases are consistent.
- Avoid repetition.
- Bring the essential message to the fore.
- Ensure information follows the most rational order.
- Bring questions and ideas to a satisfying conclusion.



### **Demonstrate INTEGRITY by applying DEPTH and WARMTH**

Craft your language to engage your audiences and inspire trust:

- Create inspiring headlines that encapsulate the essence of the message.
- Introduce questions and thought-provoking statements that make the reader think.
- Highlight the benefit to the customer in each point made.
- Refer to Civica in the first person; use 'we', 'our' and 'us'.
- Use emotive concepts and analogies to bring ideas to life.
- Inject a conversational tone; use phrases and contractions used in everyday speech.
- Talk to your audience directly; use the second person, ('you', 'your') and imperative verbs.



### **Demonstrate ACTION by applying PACE and SIMPLICITY**

Streamline your words for maximum impact and efficiency:

- Break up dense text into separate paragraphs.
- Use subheadings as text landmarks.
- Break up long sentences to improve readability.
- Use sentences of just a few words to make a strong point.
- Use short headlines to grab attention.
- Use a pithy point for a large-scale message.
- Edit with absolute brevity in mind.
- Avoid long words and technical jargon, where possible.

## Tone of voice example

This short extract of copy will act as our 'guinea pig', as we apply our 3 core values to achieve the right tone of voice.

### Existing:

The provision of IT-based <u>services</u> in areas where the company has <u>specialist expertise</u> is fundamental to our strategy in order to help customers <u>reduce the cost</u> and risk of <u>service</u> delivery. Differentiated by the combination of <u>service</u> capability, market sector <u>specialism</u> and <u>technology expertise</u> under one roof, the company provides the <u>technology</u>, process and operational <u>expertise</u> to liberate professionals and managers from traditional constraints in order to achieve resilient lower cost services.

Avoid repetition (underlined).

Break up long sentences to improve readability.

### Revised:

### Escape the shackles of cost and risk

Professionals and managers can often be held back by the high cost of service delivery or by resource gaps. <u>Our</u> services are designed to free <u>you</u> from these traditional constraints in order to achieve operational resilience and cost savings. <u>We</u> have the relevant service capability, deep market sector specialism and underlying technology expertise under one roof. It's <u>our</u> difference and <u>our</u> strength.

Use sentences of just a few words to make a strong point.

Use phrases and abbreviations used in everyday speech.

Talk to your audience directly; use the second person (underlined).

Create inspiring headlines that encapsulate the essence of the message.

Use emotive concepts and analogies to bring ideas to life.

Refer to the company in the first person (underlined).

### **About Civica**

Civica is a market-leading specialist in digital solutions, critical software and outsourcing services that help teams and organisations around the world to transform the way they work.

We deliver mission-critical applications and digital solutions together with business process services to improve the provision of efficient high quality services for our customers and help them respond to increasing change and expectation.

Above all in the markets we serve, people matter. Combining exceptional customer focus, experience and commitment, it is the people of Civica and our culture that sets us apart.

### Our vision

Our vision is to help organisations transform their services, achieving better outcomes through more connected and efficient ways of working enabled by the use of digital technology and automation.

We aim to be the leading IT-based services partner in our chosen markets, putting ideas into action alongside our customers based on deep sector knowledge and a successful track record.

The people of Civica are a differentiator for our business. We continue to build lasting relationships informed by a clear vision and guided by our core values.

# What are you waiting for? It's time to get creative!

A Design Agency Briefing Form should be completed for all creative projects.

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