



Making TikTok work for you

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Crisis – the new normal for public service communications?

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Couch to 135k – our TikTok journey

Hello!

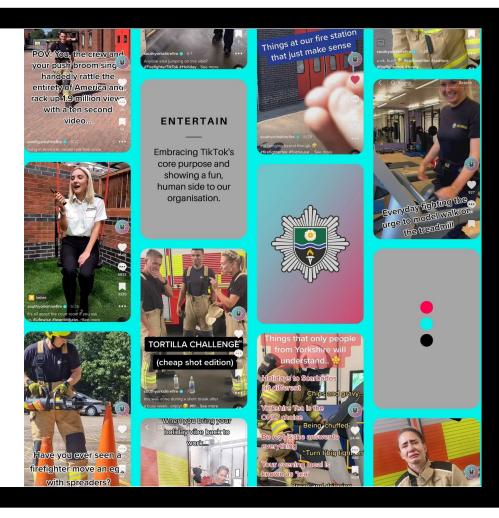
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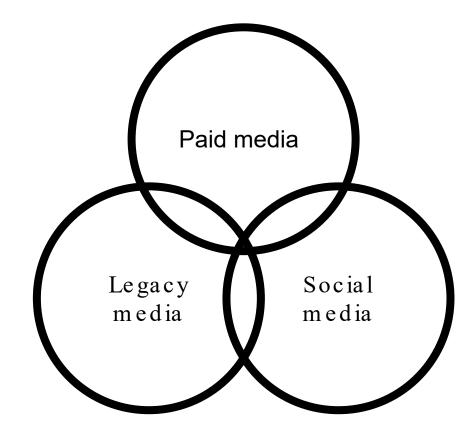
We work for South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue and we're addicted to TikTok



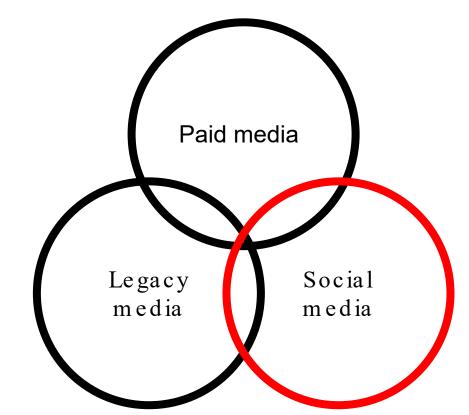
Why TikTok, why now?

(it's all Jack's fault)

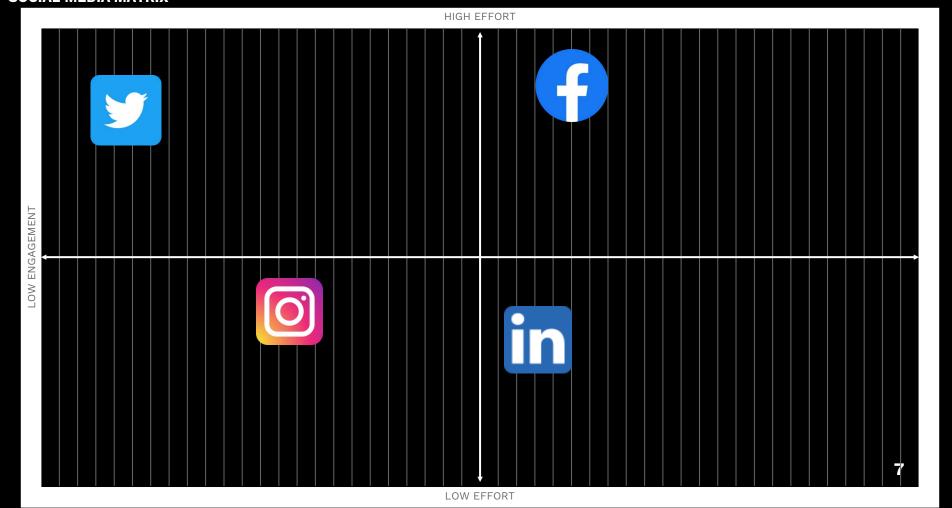




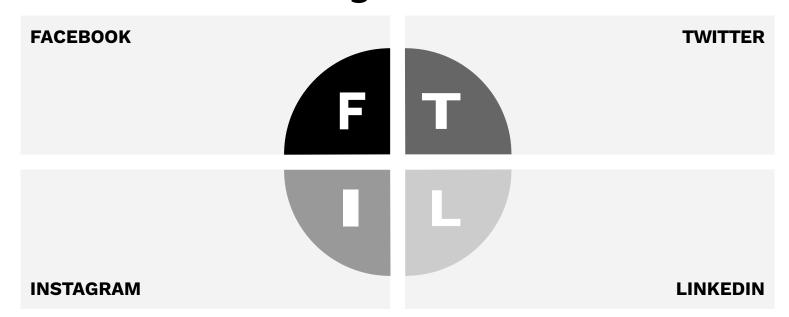
Priority shift



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Channel analysis



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FACEBOOK

Here's some tips to prevent fires





TWITTER

There's a big fire going on right now

Looking good, fighting fires

INSTAGRAM



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Would you like a job, to do with fires?

LINKEDIN

How well informed do you feel?



78%

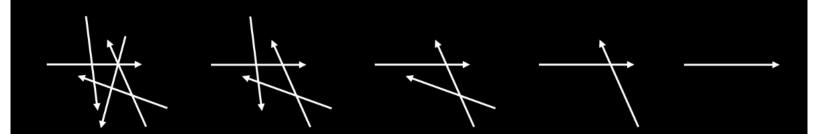
55 to 64 year olds

47%

25 to 34 year olds

43%

16 to 24 year olds



Get more done by doing less.



STRATEGY

- Safety
- Recruitment
- Youth engagement

Safety

Retell old safety messages in a new way



Why do we do this?

News > UK

Girl, 3, dies as candle starts fire

Tuesday 25 August 1992 23:02

A CANDLE used to illuminate the bedroom of a three-year-old girl who hated sleeping in the dark apparently caused her death early yesterday when it set fire to the room.

Natalie Godfrey died and her fiveyear-old sister, Lucy, was badly burned in the blaze which broke out after the electricity meter had been turned off. The house in Great Chesterford, near Saffron Walden, Essex, was without power when fire fighters arrived.

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Station Officer David Curtis, one of the first on the scene, said: 'The children were probably so bemused by the smoke that they had no chance to escape. The lesson to be learned here is for God's sake fit smoke alarms.'



Serious doesn't mean sombre.

- Helen Reynolds

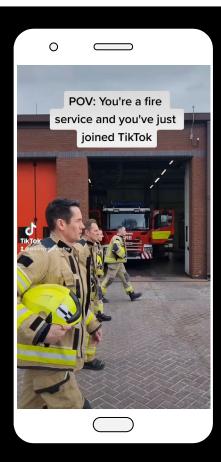
Education

Behind the scenes of what we do



Entertainment

Build a community

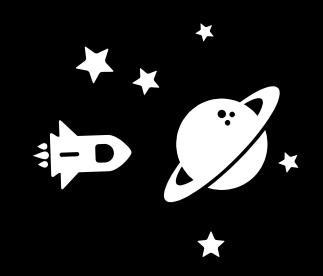




BE HUMAN

- Dan Slee





STEPS

TO SUCCESS



A vision without action is merely a dream. Action without vision is just a nightmare.



Without a bit a graft yer plan means nowt, cock.

1.

We went back to school

TikTok is unlike anything else

We threw ourselves in

There are no shortcuts

3.

We had a clear plan

How else will you get buy - in?

We swiped left

Luke-warm is a killer

We did the little things

Sweep the sheds!

We used original sounds

It's not the end of the world...



17,126,137



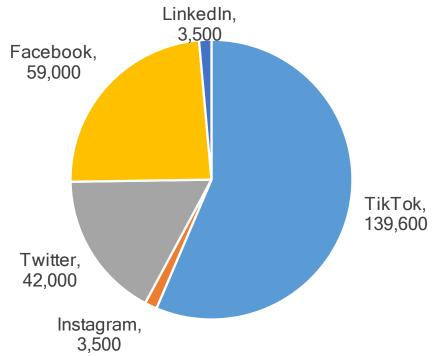
250,526 comments That's quite a lot



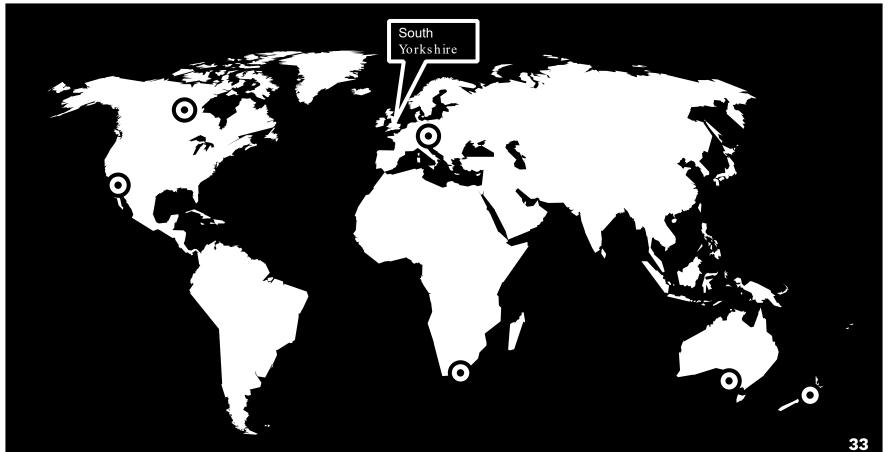
139,634 followers More than other channels combined

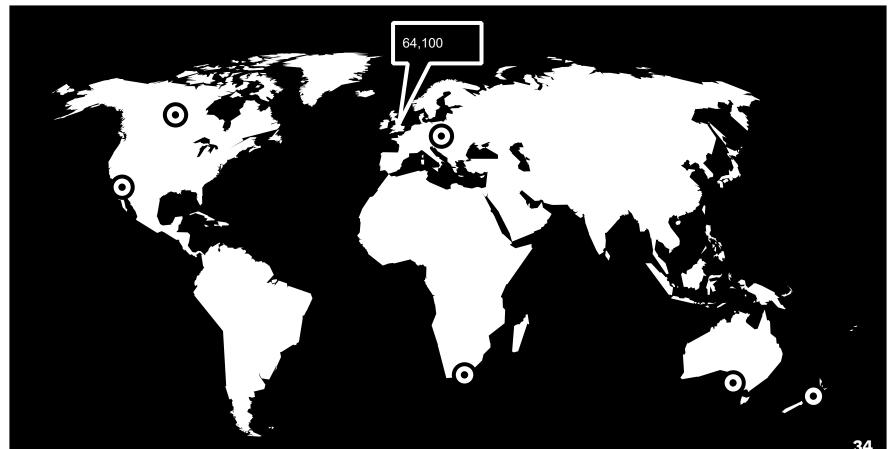


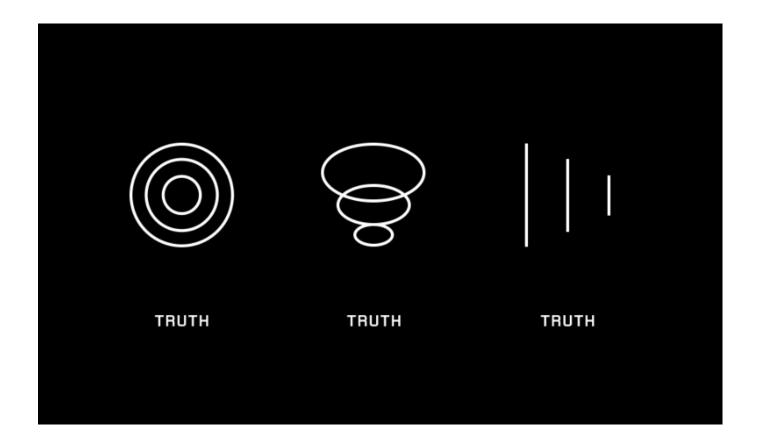
2,645,323 likes
Across over 750 videos



Audience in context

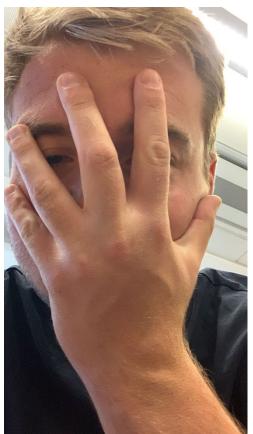






IT'S TAKEN A LOT











Have you spent 80% of the last 6 and a half working days on TikTok? 14:23 If not, I wouldn't bother reporting to CHQ tomorrow 14:24 In fact, I'll draft your resignation for you then you can just sign it

> I've been concerned about your welfare, I know you're harbouring

guilt about the blue tick issue, but you shouldn't. The show goes on!

Another six figure blow up should

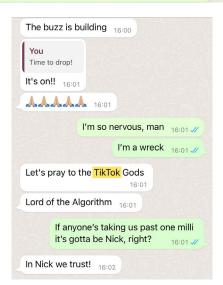
quell my fears once and for all

16:45 //

16:45



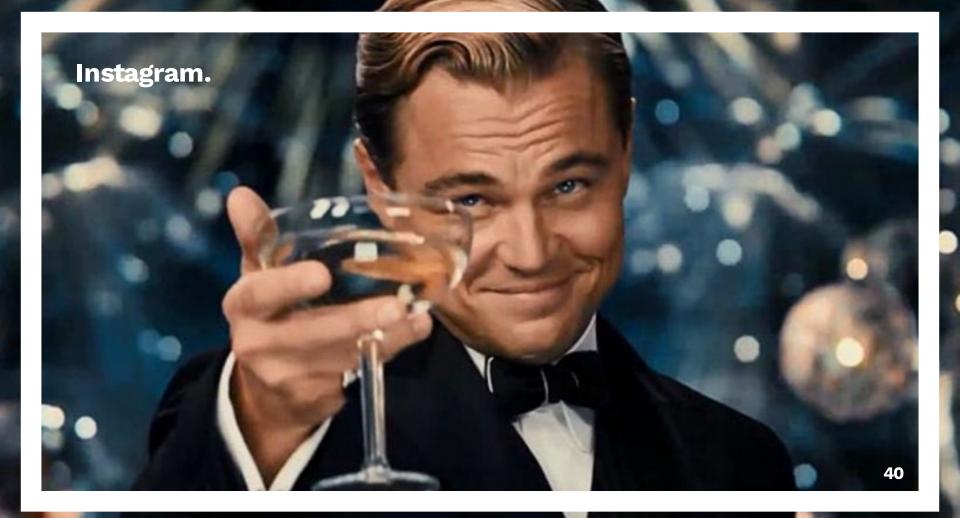
I just can't stop thinking about TikTok 😩 12:38 It's a bad situation, but we've been 15:53 15:55 We've fought off a shadow ban, we 16:13 //



BUT WE'VE LOVED IT ALL











Thank you

Special thanks to everyone in the public sector who has supported our work.

We love you!

ENDS.