

Seminar 2: Supporting the Armed Forces Community through Internal Communications

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Edmund King OBEAA President











"The Armed Forces Covenant is a promise from the nation that those who serve or have served in the armed forces, and their families, are treated fairly."





Background:

- Poppy Factory
- Recruitment Drive with the REME
- Contributed to the Futures Reserves 2020 White Paper
- One of the first Companies to sign up to the Covenant
- Silver Award Employer Recognition 2014
- Placed over 250 Military personnel into fulltime jobs within the AA
- Sit on Defence Personnel Special Advisory Group (DPSAG)
- Gold Award Employer Recognition 2015





Direct Communication

Internal:

- We work with DRM to generate regular updates for our employees. We share these through our internal channels: email, intranet site, HR website and internal magazine, Drive
- We invite local military units into our premises to talk to our employees
- We encourage employees to participate in our Armed Forces Week celebrations
- We create bespoke booklets for our employees to help them better understand the Reserve message, our stance on it, and the process and policies we've put into place to accommodate those who wish to volunteer







Direct Communication

External:

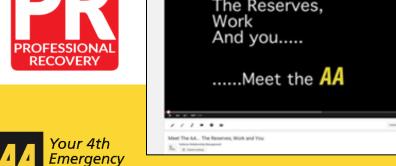
- We communicate our support for the Armed Forces community to our customers through our website, the AA magazine, email, press and industry publications
- We offer our Armed Forces customers a discount which we advertise through the media
- We advertise our vacancies to Service Leavers through The Career Transition Partnership
- We advocate support for the Armed Forces community to other businesses e.g. by speaking at conferences, contributing to MoD press releases, via social media campaigns and by featuring in the official Reserves Day video

Here's another benefit of working for the Armed Forces

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Indirect Communication

- We review and refresh our Armed Forces Covenant annually
- Armed Forces Week military units invited to all AA offices
- Joined 2 Mercian's tour in Cyprus
- Leadership Training at Sandhurst Military Academy
- Open days for service leavers
- Red Devils Fund Raising Jump







Air Chief Marshal, Sir Stuart Peach, said:

"The new pledges made by the AA today demonstrate their advanced support for Service personnel, veterans and their families. The AA has set a precedent in the way they have embraced Armed Forces Week celebrations – inviting local military regiments into all of their offices throughout the week and starting the week with this symbolic re-emphasis."







Next 6 months...

- Armed Forces Week, currently looking for Units to pair with
- Leadership Training at Sandhurst Military Academy
- Open days for service leavers, including work experience "Buddy Days"
- "View from the Front" On Patrol CD for all employees
- Fast track recruitment for service leavers, "Follow the Poppy.."



- Look at further opportunities in technical and driver training which may include Leadership skills
- Evaluate our pledge in Q3 to ensure still current for both the AA and our Armed Forces role









EMPLOYER RECOGNITION SCHEME

GOLD AWARD



Thank You







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Internal Communications & Journey to Gold

Tim Bridgman, HR Director, Babcock Defence & Security





Babcock International Group









Revenue and operating profit*



FY14/15 revenue over

£4.5 billion

Order book circa

£20 billion

FY14/15 operating profit over **£500 million**

34,000 employees

Importance of Defence







RN nuclear submarine fleet maintenance and infrastructure support

We train over 50,000 service personnel a year

Around 50% of the Group's revenue stems from MOD business

Deliver equipment & base support: Hawk/Tucano

Support every level of UKMFTS

Airtanker joint venture

Maintenance of Army Green fleet

Whole-ship assembly of the 2 Queen Elizabeth Class aircraft carriers

Manage 2 of the RN's 3 naval bases



75% of surface ship refit work

UK MOD's largest fleet manager

Reserves Policy 2012







From "Line, managers discretion" to



Trust, Confidence, Guidance





Corporate Covenant – October 13

Minimal commitment or "full fat"?

"We are doing this, not because of what's in it for us, but because it is the right thing to do"

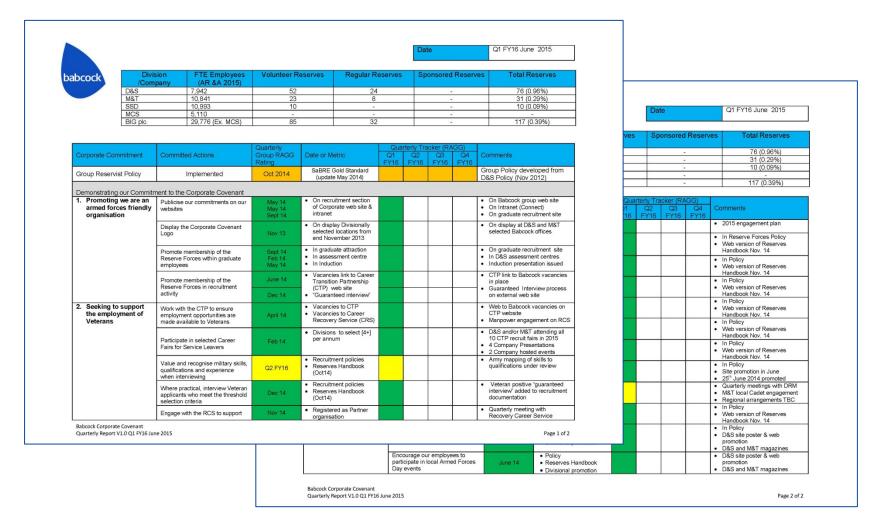
Group Steering Committee Established







Keeping honest



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Manager & workforce guide - 2014



Embedding the message





 All employee induction

First Line Manager Development

Graduate assessment/ induction

Newsletters

Web promotion









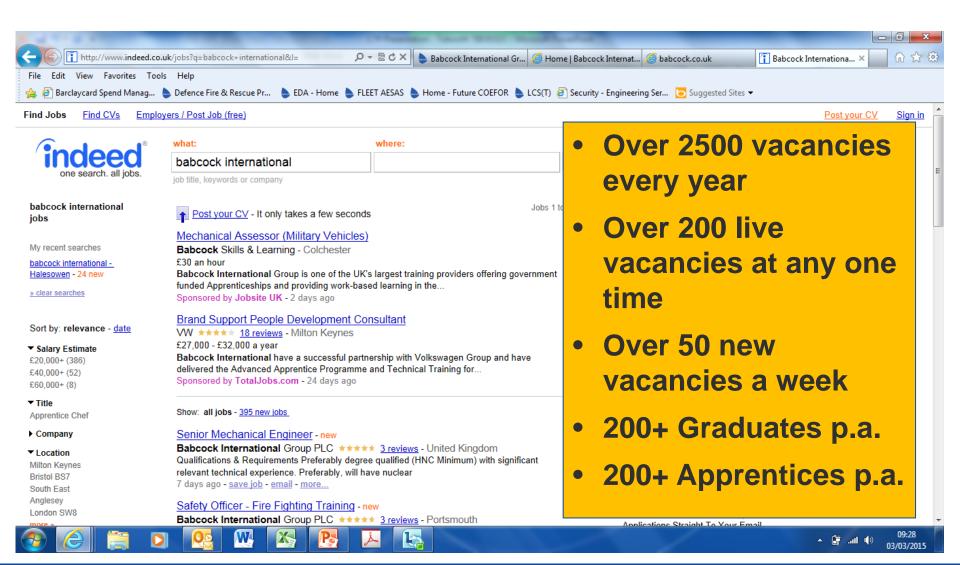
Reserves Conference 2015



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Recruitment



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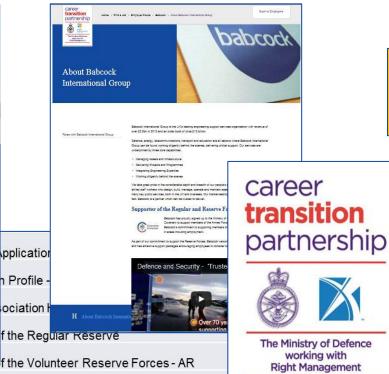




Recruiting Reserves



Grand Total



Update Systems

Member of the Volunteer Reserve Forces - AR

Member of the Volunteer Reserve Forces - RMR

Member of the Volunteer Reserve Forces - RNR

Service Leaver

Veteran

Notify
Partners
& Agencies

50

61

127

Armed Forces Day 2015







Babcock are supporting Armed Forces week, and invite you to wear your Service uniform to work on Wednesday 24 June.

Reserves Day celebrates the commitment and crucial contribution that reservists make to the work of the British Armed Forces - make sure you're part of it.

We are proud to support our reservists and thank you for your continued contribution to military service.





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Reserves & CONDO Recognition



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Secretary of State June 2015







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DRM Gold – January 2016





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Andy Brown



PwC and the Armed Forces Community ... the story so far.

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- Delivering a Covenant.
- Sustaining the Network.
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Building a Network

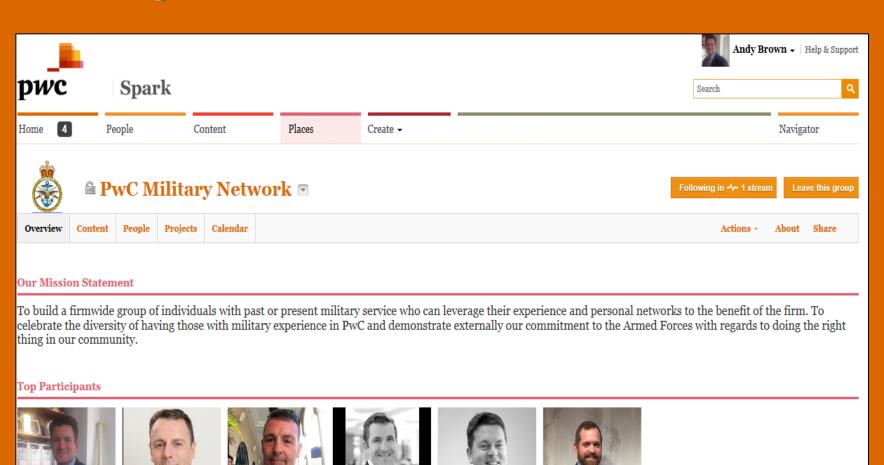
PwC's Military Network Mission Statement

To build a firmwide group of individuals with past or present military service who can leverage their experience and personal networks to the benefit of the firm. To celebrate the diversity of having those with military experience in PwC and demonstrate externally our commitment to the Armed Forces with regards to doing the right thing in our community.

Building a Network

Mark Morritt

Tom Usher



Guy Dickie

Josh Irwin

Andy Brown

Pete Flvnn

Everyone has a connection to the Services. What is yours? Created by Simon Marsden on 09-Jul-2014 With more than 17,000 people in PwC UK, we will have a very large number of connections with the Services. We would love to guage just how big that connection is, so please complete this poll to help us get this information! We are interested in all levels of people's connections with the Services, from those who have previously served, or are still serving, through to those with friends, family or just an interest in the Armed Forces and Emergency Services. Poll Results You voted on 10-Jul-2014 I used to be a full time member of the Services (53%) 65/123 I am currently serving as a Reservist (10%) 12/123 Someone in my immediate family member is in the Services (12%) 15/123 Someone in my extended family, or one of my friends is, or used to be, in the Services (18%) 22/123 I don't know anyone personally in the Services but I have an interest in the work done by the Services (2%) 2/123 Other - please leave a comment (6%) 7/123

INVICTUS GAMES LONDON 2014



Delivering a Covenant





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Any Questions?