First rung matters



The first rung of the labour market is **essential economic infrastructure** where young people gain experience, skills and opportunities.

A new bargain



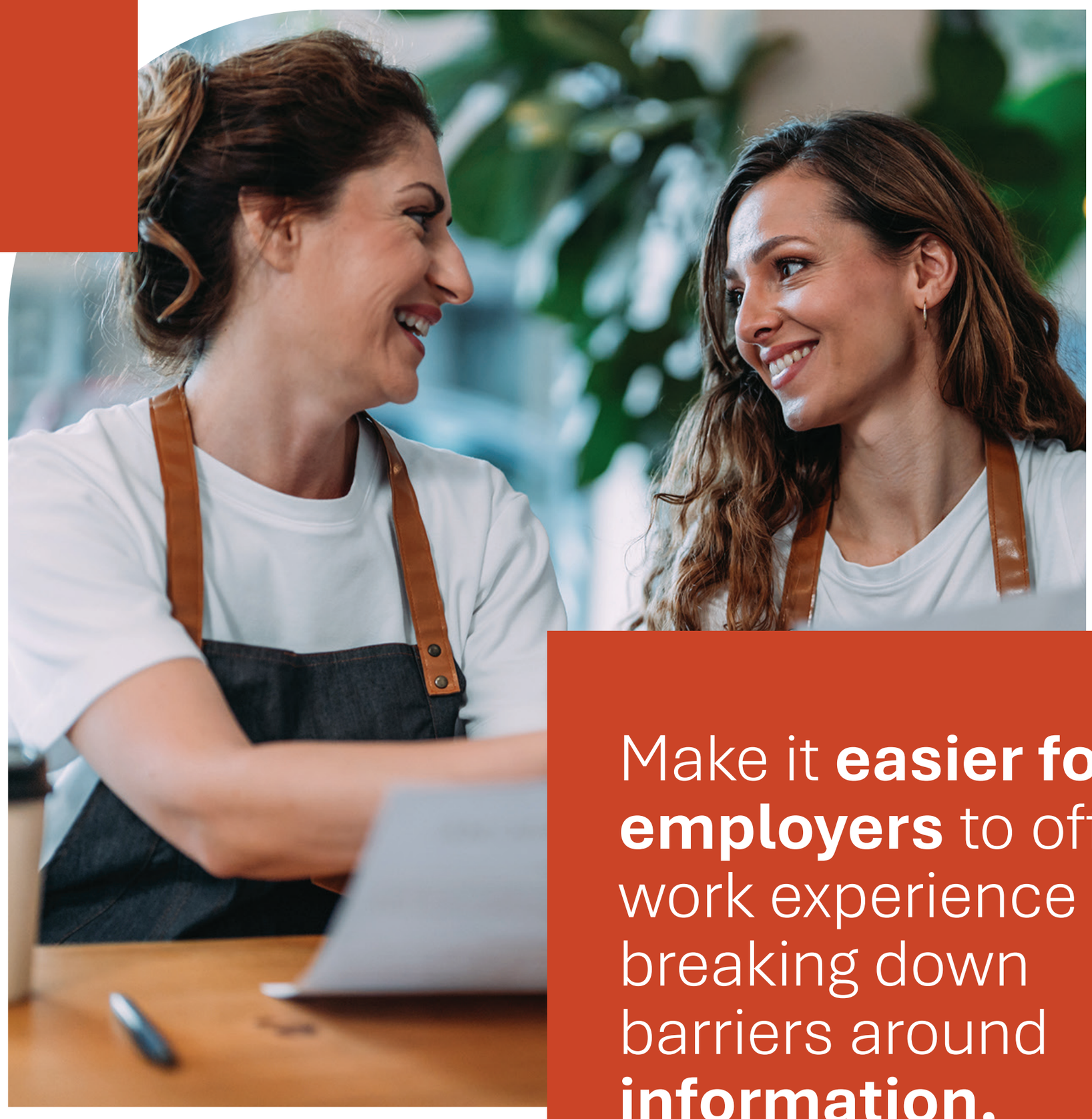
Employers should create **more first chances,** and government should make it **easier and less risky** for them to do so.

Youth Jobs Grant expanded



Young people who have been **NEET for six months or more** should be supported into work through a **more generous** and **expanded Youth Jobs Grant.**

Unlock opportunities



Make it **easier for employers** to offer work experience by breaking down barriers around **information, safeguarding** and **insurance.**

Young people first act



Government should **assess the effect of major decisions on young people's opportunities** before decisions are made, not after the damage is done.