

Improving public health behaviour and challenging social inequality.

Introducing Audience, the UK's most experienced public health campaigns agency.



### WHO ARE WE?



AWARD-WINNING PUBLIC HEALTH CAMPAIGNS AGENCY



EXPERTS IN BEHAVIOUR CHANGE



WORKED ON WORLD-LEADING HEALTH CAMPAIGNS



**FULL SERVICE** 

Huge public health expertise - from cancer and diabetes awareness programmes to vaccination initiatives.

We combine insights from behavioural science with
 target audience co-design activity to shape highly effective initiatives.

We've worked on the most iconic health campaigns - from '5 a day' through to 'Talk to FRANK.'

Research and strategy, marketing, creative / branding, PR and advocacy.





























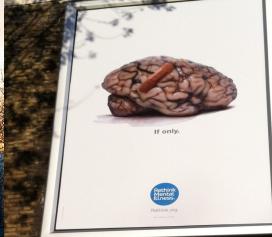




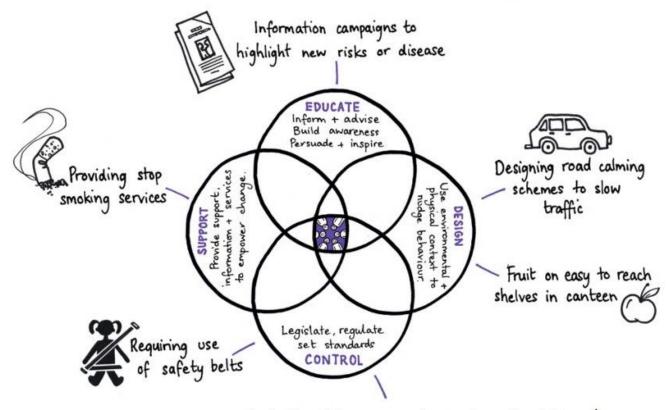
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### **OUR EXPERTISE: BEHAVIOUR CHANGE**

We use behavioural theory and audience insight to shape campaigns that help people change behaviour and live healthier lives.

### Social marketing: influencing behaviour change is complex



Controlling tobacco sales & advertising to children/ restricting smoking in public places



### **OUR EXPERTISE: PUBLIC HEALTH**

Our public health campaigns deliver real change to people's lives.

We've increased early diagnosis of key cancers for the NHS and helped keep Britain on track as one of the safest railways in Europe.



### **OUR EXPERTISE: CO-CREATION**

We deliver psychologist-led research groups and develop campaigns hand in hand with your audience – particularly with young people, helping create authentic initiatives that really work.





## UNDERSTANDING YOUR PRIORITIES

Start with a free, high-level one hour consultation with Audience experts - no strings attached, just space to explore public health topics, such as youth vaping.

- Discuss priorities and targets with experts, review opportunities to change perceptions, attitudes and behaviour.
- Explore strategic options for tackling urgent issues (e.g. tween or teen vaping, mental health, health inequalities etc.).
- Sense-check current plans or identify smart next steps.
- Tap into tested behaviour change knowledge and campaign experience.

No cost, no pressure - just insight.



# IMPROVING YOUNG PEOPLE'S LIVES IN KENT



### **CHALLENGE**

Reduce alcohol and drug misuse, smoking levels and sexual infections in teenagers in Kent – and increase their uptake of health and youth support services.



#### **INSIGHT**

Health isn't a major priority for local young people, having fun is. And finger-wagging 'health campaigns' don't work.



# IMPROVING YOUNG PEOPLE'S LIVES IN KENT



### **SOLUTION**

We took NHS / youth services out of 'boring' settings and into HOUSE, a fun 'pop up' place shaped by young people. In this safe & sociable environment young people were far more willing to talk about sensitive health issues with youth workers.



#### **RESULT**

12,000 young people checked into HOUSE in 1 year. 1,200 attended drugs and alcohol education sessions, and over 1,000 saw the sexual health nurse. 9 in 10 said they would reconsider taking drugs or getting involved in violence.



## SAVING LIVES FROM BOWEL CANCER



### **CHALLENGE**

Help increase early diagnosis of bowel cancer in North London by raising awareness and removing barriers preventing people seeing the GP.



#### **INSIGHT**

Men and women over 50 years old are more at risk of bowel cancer, but local residents had low awareness of its symptoms. Denial and embarrassment about problems 'down there' didn't help.



## SAVING LIVES FROM BOWEL CANCER





#### SOLUTION

Back to basics advertising was created with local people, backed by an 'ambassador army' to get the message out. The 'Big Bowel' inflatable exhibition engaged the public and a 'symptom checker card' was mailed to 'at risk' 50-59 year olds.



#### **RESULT**

40%+ increase in people with suspected bowel cancer referred by GPs for further tests during the campaign period. In one major local hospital the number of urgent referrals from GPs grew by 600%.

## CHANGE IN YOUR BOWEL HABIT?

Blood in your poo Persistent diarrhoea Severe abdominal pain Lump in your tummy Weight loss

These are the key symptoms of bowel cancer, the UK's second biggest cancer killer.

If you have any of these symptoms, see your GP now.



# STAYING SAFE AROUND THE RAILWAY



### **CHALLENGE**

Encourage young people to stay safe around the railway, without finger-wagging.



### **INSIGHT**

Young people aren't that interested in safety. It's not cool. We needed to engage them on their own terms.



## STAYING SAFE AROUND THE RAILWAY



### **SOLUTION**

We co-developed a lively safety campaign RAIL LIFE with interactive and innovative content which prevented safety advice feeling dictatorial. Rail Life grew beyond safety to encompass broader content on rail careers, discount ticketing etc



### **RESULT**

Over 3,000 visits to the Rail Life website in a few weeks. Research showed 'Rail Life' has had a real impact on young people's attitudes to rail safety. Britain remains of the safest railways in Europe.



## RETHINKING MENTAL ILLNESS



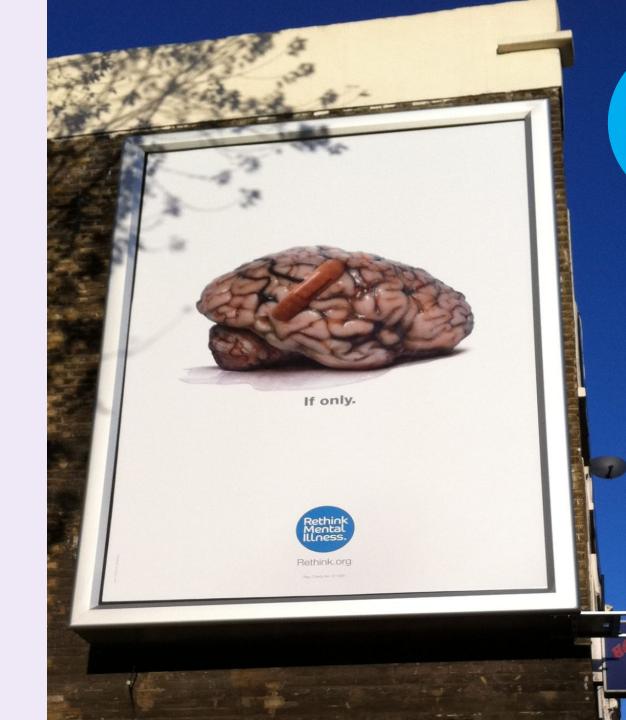
### **CHALLENGE**

Rethink Mental Illness provides quality information and support for people with severe mental illness. And yet only 1% of the population was aware of the charity.



### **INSIGHT**

People with mental illness really value the honesty, frankness and detail of support provided by the charity. 'They tell you straight what your options are. It's really refreshing, practical and honest.'



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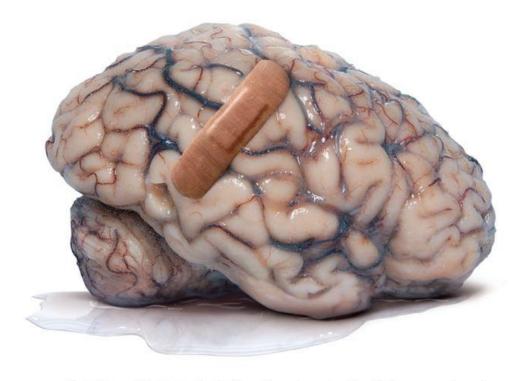
### **SOLUTION**

A high impact campaign featuring an arresting image of a real brain with a plaster on it. The strap line 'If only' sparked a debate about the range and depth of support needed for people with severe mental illness and their carers.



#### **RESULT**

Prompted awareness of the charity rose significantly, and there was an unprecedented increase in web traffic and calls to the charity's information line.



If only it were this simple. The fact is, millions of people will suffer from some form of mental health problem during their lives. We can't promise a quick fix, but we can offer support and sound, practical advice for a better life. Talk to us.





### JOIN DEMENTIA RESEARCH



### **CHALLENGE**

Whilst dementia is one of the UK's most serious disease areas, affecting over 820,000 people, it is very difficult to recruit volunteers for clinical research trials.



### **INSIGHT**

For people with dementia and their carers, life can feel hopeless. But being part of a research community provides an opportunity to make a real difference.



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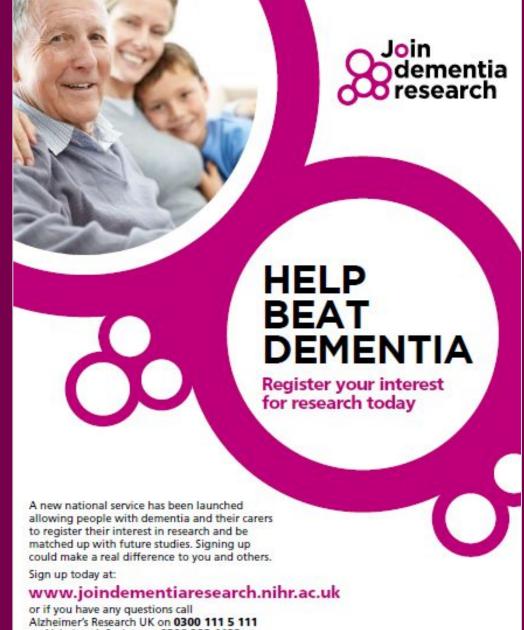
### SOLUTION

Create an optimistic but grounded brand and website for a new NHS online portal that links volunteers to dementia research trials. Clear, lively and consistent design was delivered that really engaged with all key audiences.

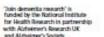


### **RESULT**

Over 70,000 new volunteers for dementia research have been recruited through the portal. Their involvement could save many lives.



or Alzheimer's Society on 0300 222 1122









# CASE STUDY B CLEAR ABOUT VAPING



### **CHALLENGE**

Nearly 1 in 5 (18%) young people in Britain have tried vaping – even though it's illegal for under 18s to buy them. In key schools in South West London preventing young people taking up the habit was flagged as a major educational / well-being issue.



#### **INSIGHT**

Young people want a positive, empowering campaign that gives them the facts about vapes and confidence to resist them or quit. But with no finger-wagging or scare tactics.



## CASE STUDY B CLEAR

## ABOUT VAPING



#### **SOLUTION**

The co-created campaign 'B Clear about Vaping' encourages young people to be empowered and get the facts. An impactive campaign poster 'RU being sucked in?' and co-developed TikTok video were produced to dispel the fake news and give the facts.



#### **RESULT**

Initial evidence shows that the campaign has been popular in schools and informed young people's views on vapes. An extensive evaluation will analyse the campaign's behavioural impact.





## Our team



### **OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM**



### ED GYDE, CEO and public health lead

Ed has lived and breathed health campaigns for three decades. Coming from a medical family he is our public health lead and has shaped many of the biggest national public health campaigns: '5 a day', Talk to FRANK (drugs education) and Know Your Limits (alcohol education).

### PAT BRANIGAN, Senior researcher

Pat has had a diverse career – he's an anthropologist with huge experience in delivering analytical solutions for major Government initiatives. His specialism is qualitative research and he has led the development of over 40 HIV campaigns and was also instrumental in shaping the Government's 'Talk to Frank' initiative.





### **AMY MEADOWS, Senior marketing strategist**

Amy is our strategy dynamo with over 20 years experience unpicking every issue under the sun – but her work on society's biggest taboo issues really stand out. Her strategy work for various mental health organisations has really helped build 'The Time to Change' movement which aims to destignatise the issue of mental illness.



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### **RON FINLAY, Senior PR strategist**

With over 30 years' experience in PR strategy, stakeholder communications and public affairs, Ron is an expert in all matters NHS and his recent work includes devising the public & patient engagement strategy for local NHS groups, and also conducting razor-sharp healthcare professional research for Diabetes UK.

### **CHARLOTTE SUTTON, PR and media director**

Charlotte is our media guru who leads our press office teams. She has decades of experience gaining high profile coverage for campaigns such as 'Tackling Violent Crime' for the Home Office through to Network Rail's youth safety campaign 'Rail Life.' She's got an amazing breadth of media relationships across the health sector and will always achieve big headlines.





### **ANGELA COLES, Communications and media trainer**

Angela is a highly experienced presentation and media coach. She helps people to get their messages across clearly every time. Previously a national journalist she's trained everyone from Government ministers through to A list celebrities. People say her training sessions are the best courses they've ever doned



### **OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM**



### **SHEILA DUGGAN, Lead designer**

Sheila is our senior designer and brand strategist with over 20 years' experience in brand communication. Her work is creative, clear and effective – helping clients to communicate better. She has worked with public, private and not-for-profit clients creating meaningful messages that resonate while delivering the right results.

### **GUY CORBET, Senior Consultant**

Guy specialises in helping clients engage with stakeholders around complex issues, building and protecting their reputations with their most important audiences. His starting point is to look at the issues behind communications, helping identify and articulate what the real focus of any communications should be.





### **SAM WOODHOUSE, Senior Consultant**

Sam brings two decades of experience in healthcare, where he's built and led marketing and communications teams to deliver behaviour change campaigns that make a demonstrable impact. His career spans local authorities, the NHS, public health, global pharma, charities, healthtech multinationals and AI startups, giving him a rare breadth of insight. With a deep understanding of what moves people, Sam creates standout campaigns that connect with the audiences that matter most.



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