Making Inclusive Design Happen

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1 empathy game (±15 minutes, optional)

Any questions?

5 practical themes

Assumptions

Who's talking?



Structure



UX Architect 12 years experience Content-led services and products Dementia and Older Populations



\checkmark — What is inclusive design? \checkmark — Why inclusive design is important ? — How to make inclusive design happen...

Assumptions

1 — Establish empathy

Assume a lack of familiarity Recognise that you're not diverse enough Start small, simple and soon...

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Team observation of diverse users Frame the opportunity with statistics* Inclusive design thinking activities Experiential learning... *care needed!















we feel anger, frustration an but in the same timescale we other







2 – Deliver actionable insights

Audit (standardised, bespoke) Slice (focus on a specific component) Budget (planning, hijacking) Recruit inclusive participants Integrate into continuous improvement

3 – Finding people for research

Allied roles and teams Internal database(s) Professional recruiters Forums (online) Community groups (offline)

4 – Adopt/adapt a process

Agree/document issues to avoid Create guidelines and frameworks Join-up across design, development and UAT

5 — Keep learning; ally specific:

Blogs, Books, Podcasts Mentoring (UXPA (UK)) Meet-ups, Events and Conferences Career planning / Role selection



WebAxe

Web AIM

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Paciello Group Blog

Accessibility for Teams The Any Project Inclusive Design Toolkit (Cambridge) Inclusive Design Toolkit (Microsoft)

Toolkits

Empathy Games and Activities

Inclusive Design Activity Toolkit [PDF] **Empathy Prompts** Low Vision Simulation Mouth Sticks and Head Pointers Empathy Balloons



Community

User Experience Professionals' Association London Accessibility Meet-up **Global Accessibility Awareness Day**



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Optional: empathy gamestorm!

Low vision simulation scenarios

- •In pairs, to stay safe...
 - find a new way to the outside.
 - walk in well it and dimly lit areas,
 - walk from/to these areas.
 - make yourself a cold drink.
 - find a cloth and wipe clean a table.

Low vision simulation glasses

•Four types in the kit...

- Hemianopsia (stroke, trauma, cancer)
- Cataracts (ageing, trauma, 33% blindness)
- Glaucoma (optic nerve damage)
- Retinitis pigmentosa (genetic, 'tunnel vision')