KARL PARTON

Profile

I'm a User Experience Designer with 15+ years of agency and client side experience. I facilitate workshops, sketch, wireframe, prototype and do research. I enjoy the challenge of ensuring a client's objectives are met as well as being empathetic towards their users.

Skills

Sketches and wireframes

- Yara website redesign - http://goo.gl/B8k9u0
- Royal Caribbean new to cruise website section - http://goo.gl/5G7sm1

Prototypes

- Money Advice Service budget planner - http://goo.gl/pXOzvA
- Dashboard built using Bootstrap - http://goo.gl/lIlrF
- BBC homepage educating clients on prototyping - http://goo.gl/45KyL

Research and documentation

- User interviews
- Personas, scenarios and user tasks
- User acceptance testing
- Stakeholder workshops and interviews
- Competitor analysis
- Content inventories and audits
- Requirements gathering
- Functional specifications

Employment

UX Designer - Money Advice Service   Sept 2013 - Dec 2014

Building digital products to help people manage their money
- Pension calculator - http://goo.gl/KRFMR0
- Payday loans - http://goo.gl/ChEkW5
- Polling widgets - http://goo.gl/f6Ec7a
- Email newsletter signup - http://goo.gl/aHSSg9

UX Designer - Building Blocks   Apr 2010 - Aug 2013

Yara website redesign and product portfolio planner
- Researched existing planners
- Participated in stakeholder workshops
- Produced wireframes and prototypes - http://goo.gl/KO9fKM

Royal Caribbean website section redesign
- Produced wireframes demonstrating journey for new to cruise customers
- Identified existing content to repurposed
- Produced responsive layouts

Nobel Biocare products and solutions website section redesign
- Led Stakeholder workshops
- Produced personas
- Carried out a content inventory and audit
- Produced wireframes and functional specification

Economic & Social Research Council Research outcomes system
- Application enabling 6 Research Councils to administer research
- Produced wireframes and functional specification
- Post launch user interviews and report

British Telecom internal shipping application
- Conducted user interviews
- Produced requirements document
- Produced wireframes and functional specification

UX Designer - Reading Room   Sept 2005 - Apr 2010

University of Manchester library services website redesign
- Led workshops identifying IA issues and users top tasks

University of Leeds equality service website redesign
- Carried out stakeholder and user interviews
- Participated in user acceptance testing

University of Nottingham website redesign
- Participated in workshops identifying users top tasks
- Presentation and feedback of visual design

Frontend Developer - Reading Room

Wrote HTML, CSS and JavaScript. Experience of Enterprise and Open Source
CMS's including Tridion and WordPress. Clients included
- YHA
- Peoples History Museum
- Dulwich Picture Gallery

Other employment

Red Balloon - Web Designer   Sept 2003 - Sept 2005

Dublin City University - Web Designer	Aug 2002 - Sept 2003
Microsoft EOC Dublin - Web Support Staff	Feb 2000 - Apr 2003
Company founder - Web designer	May 1998 - Jan 2000

Education

Sept 2003 - Sept 2004
MA Interactive Media
Bournemouth University Media School

Sept 1995 - May 1998
BA Hons Communication Studies
Sheffield Hallam University

Interests

All things Lean (Startups, UX).
I play 5 aside football, cycle and snowboard.

Details

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References

Available on request