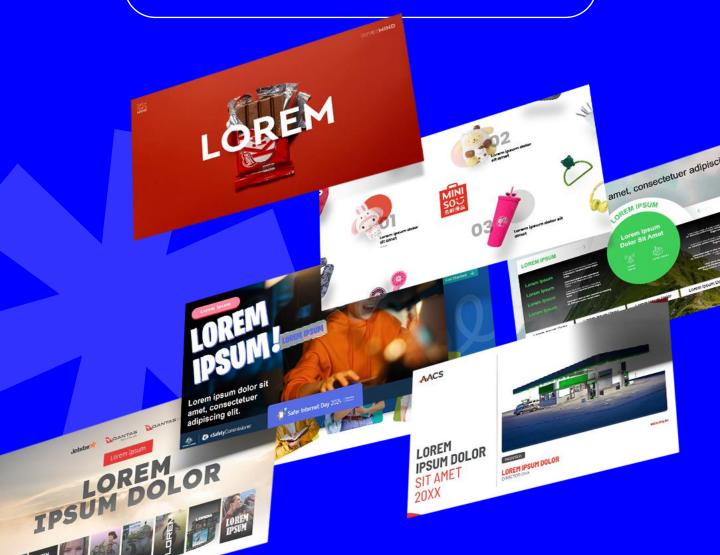


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Showstopping

Slide Transformations





#### **Presentation Enquiry**



#### **Sally Sinclair**

to Presentation Design Co

Hey PDCo Team,

We've got some slides, we aren't that impressed by it. We really don't know what can be done. Can you joosh them up for us?

Regards, Sally



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#### **Presentation Design Co**

to Sally - Centra

Hey Sally,

Sure thing. - here you go. We hope you like it!

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#### We get these emails a lot. And love them!

#### 1,500+

projects in 12 years

#### 18,000+

slides in 2023

When you are short on time and inspiration, it's hard to know exactly what can be done to improve a plain or off-brand slide. That's where we come in to help.

Whilst it's easy to see there's an improvement in the deck after we've worked on it, what you often can't see is the focus was on to create the transformation.

Over the last 12 years, we've worked on over 1,500 projects and in 2023 hit a record of over 18,000 slides. To be able to work on that volume often under tight pressure, we've got 4 main tools in the kit.

#### **Layouts** with Hierarchy

Discerning what's important and using size, colour, location and proximity to create a hierarchy of information. This allows content to help naturally guide the audience, and focus on what's important.

#### Creating

Like the high notes of a song, presentations have important parts that need to stand out. These are often hidden in the design of a slide so we look to find them and make sure they have an impact.

#### an Impact



Looking at raw content or text and exploring how it can be represented as an graphic or diagram, so that it's easier to understand and be more likely to be remembered.

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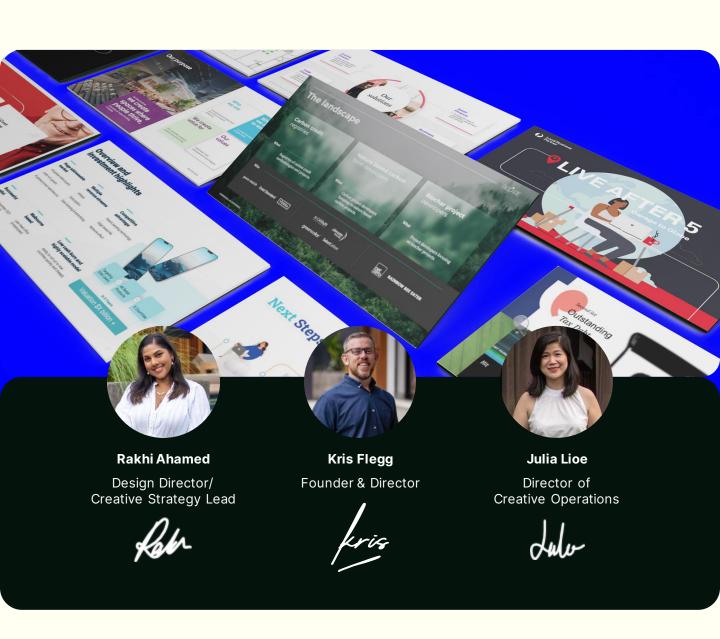
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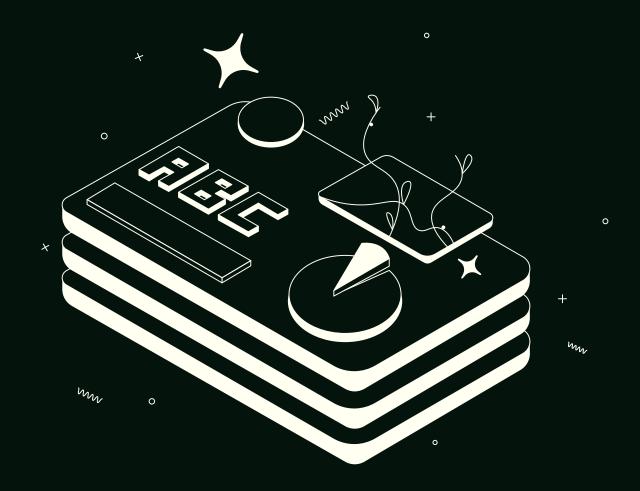
#### Now you can see it in action!

What we'd like to share with you are 24 stunning examples of before and after transformations, grouped together these categories.

By doing this we hope that the next time you need a 'josh' it will help give you the language to identify and know where to spend your energy.



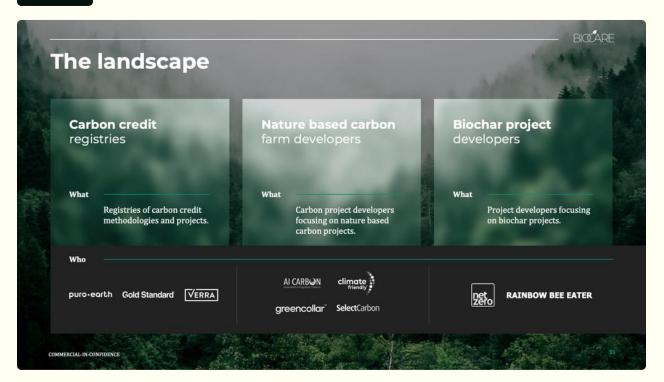




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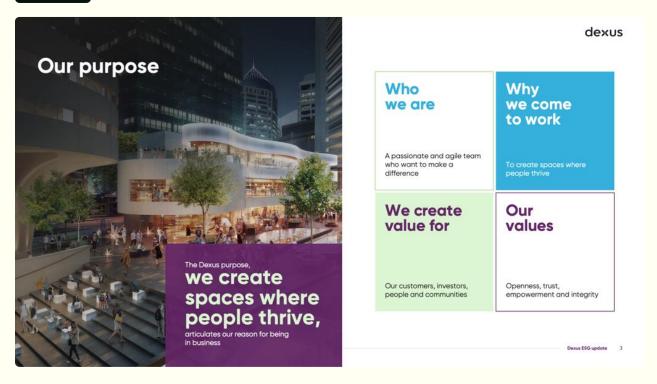


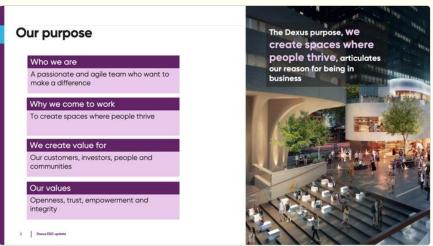


- We've clearly grouped the content into 3 boxes that feels more defined and makes better use of the space on the slide
- We've made the 'What' and Who' more prominent using font weight and lines, making it easier to read and differentiate the information
- We use logos where possible so that it's easier to identify the brands and contrast it against text

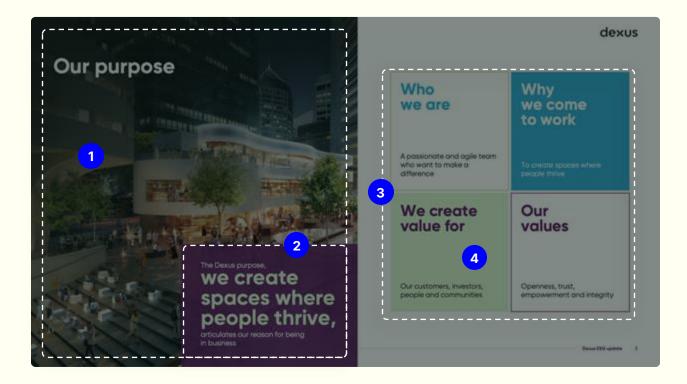


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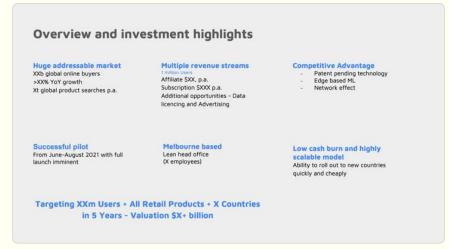


- We've moved the image to the left as the hero and adjusted the crop to show more of the building
- We created a defined space for the call out text using a coloured box and used large text to emphasise key words in the sentence
- The original layout had a top down hierarchy which we reworked into this block layout that suggests a more balanced weighting for each text point
- We use contrasting colours to differentiate each text point. The headings are also bigger compared to the original to help the audience easily scan through and understand their importance



After





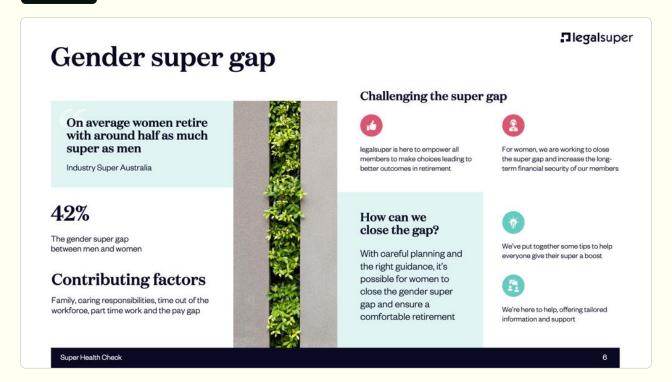


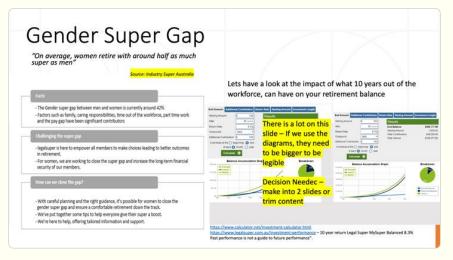


- Dashes and lines differentiate each grouping of text. We also made each heading bigger and bolder in contrast to the body text
- We use a dash between each text line as an alternative to using bullet points to make it look cleaner and more sophisticated
- These key numbers needed to stand out and look different to the left side content, so we incorporated a mock-up as a hero image and coloured shapes to frame the information



After









- 1 There's a lot of information on the slide so we employed a balance of shapes to define areas of content and help give a flow to the content
- The inclusion of the image helps breakup this text heavy slide and gives a style context to the content
- The use of icons is a way to help support and break up content without taking up too much space



After



Before

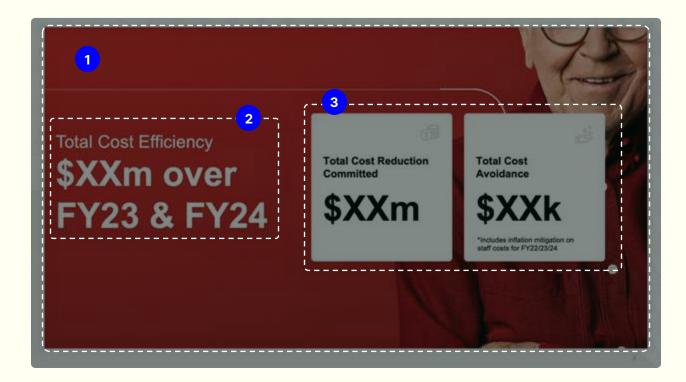
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Total Cost Reduction Committed
\$XXm

Total Cost Avoidance
\$XXk

\*Includes inflation mitigation on staff costs for FY22/23/24





- A strong and bold image like this instantly makes a slide look impactful and it allows the content itself to be formatted in a simple layout that is clean and professional
- The focus is on the numbers so the hierarchy in the heading has the figures bigger and bolder
- We're using both block shapes, icons and big bold text to define the 2 key figures. The white block is a strong contrast against the image background so it stands out and is easy to read





# Creative Visualisation

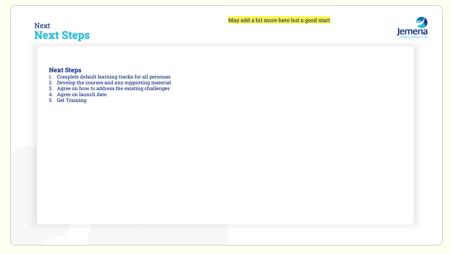
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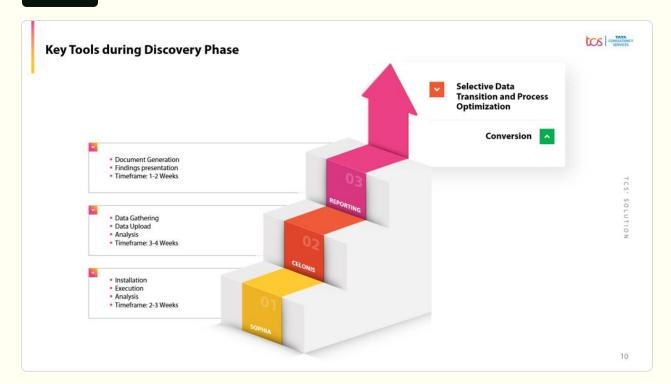


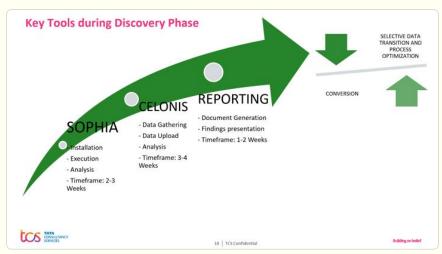
- 1 Using illustrations help visually support the text and is a creative alternative to using icons or photography if you want a fun approachable style
- We've used a line that guides the eye from left to right to act as a frame for each illustration
- We've created a hierarchy by putting the numbers first, then the bold key words to start the copy



### **Creative Visualisation**

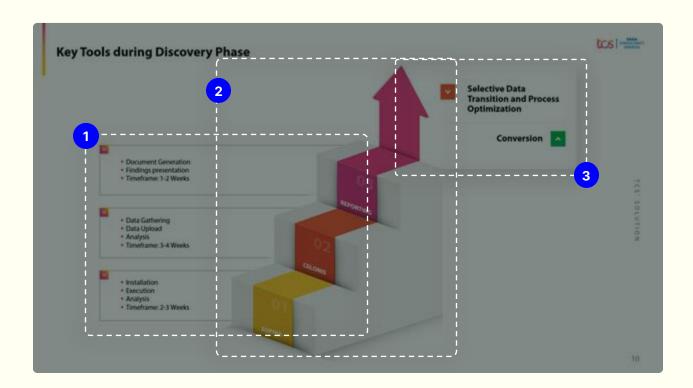
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Creative Visualisation



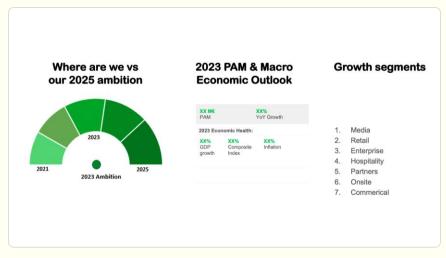
- Outlined boxes help differentiate each step in the diagram
- We created a 3D isometric version of the arrow diagram to make it look more dynamic and create an impact. It's also a cleaner layout that allows the information to fit around it and not feel squished in
- 3 A white block shape with a drop shadow highlights what's important



### **Creative Visualisation**

#### After







Creative visualisation



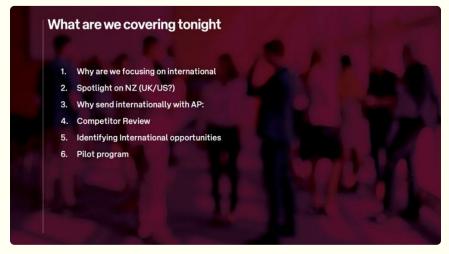
- We cleverly use buildings to 'house' the blocks of information, and it follows the theme of the presentation. It's highly visual but also clear and easy to follow
- Green is used to highlight the key figures and contrast against the black body text
- Additional details for clouds, birds and tree etc ties the illustration together. It fills up the awkward spaces around the building and creates a visual balance on the slide



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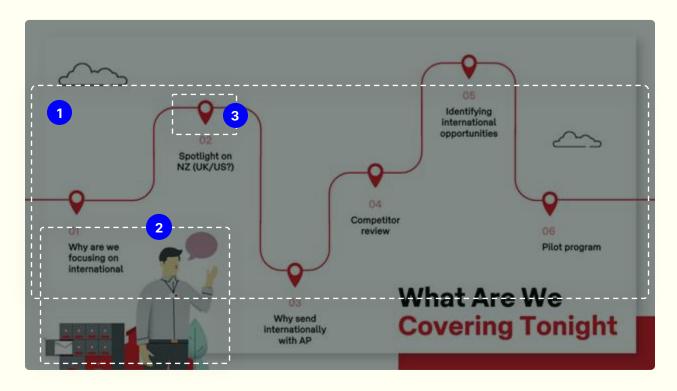
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Creative Visualisation

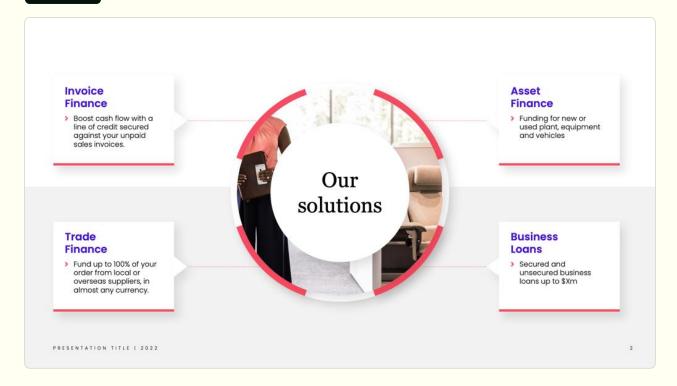


- A curvy line illustrates the agenda and suggest a journey. It makes it look more interesting whilst still being easy to follow.
- The person illustration anchors the layout composition and creates visual interest
- This presentation is about international postage so we've used the location icon for each agenda point



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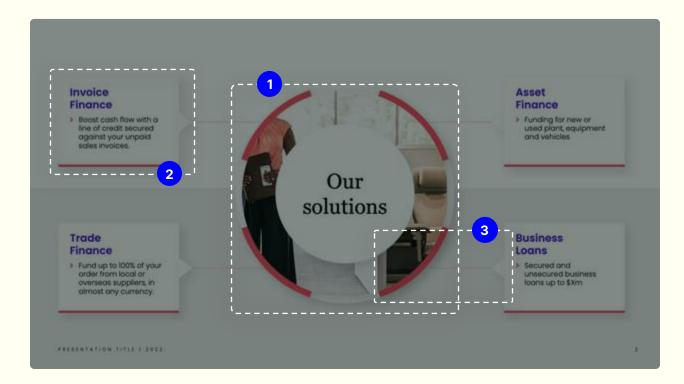
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#### Creative Visualisation



- 1 Rather 'Our Solutions' being a typical heading on the top right corner. We've made it the centre of this graphic that ties the four solutions together
- White shapes with a drop shadow are used to neatly give a home for each solution. Using shapes helps a layout look highly structured and balanced. Especially when you have a lot of information on a slide.
- To link each feature. we use the pink shape on the circle and the line connecting the arrow text box. These directional graphics visually shows how each text box links back to centre.

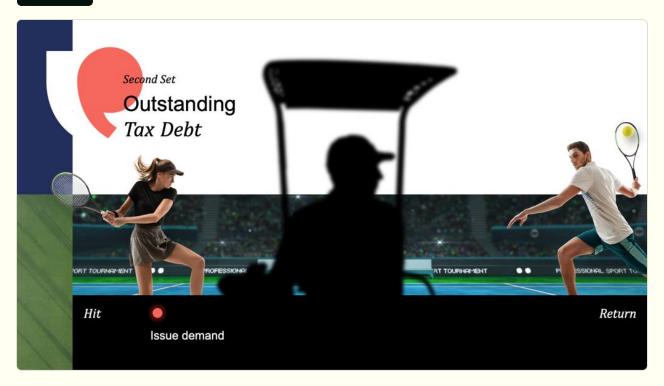




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#### After



#### Before

Second Set – Outstanding tax debt

1st hit – Issue demand 1st return – Offer repayment agreement 2nd hit – Issue DPN 2nd return – Seek advice 3rd hit – Issue Garnishee 3rd return – consider impact of garnishee 4th hit – Credit reporting agency > \$100k





- The company wanted to use tennis as an analogy of how they managed a situation and tells a story with 'Hit' and 'Return'.

  The image and composition is striking and immediately helps you understand the analogy. On this slide the ball bounces from player to player for each Hit and Return.
- This apostrophe symbol is a core brand graphic which we looked to incorporate as a visual anchor to the text
- With each click, each 'Hit' and 'Return' point pops up at the bottom of the slide which anchors the whole composition and makes it easy to follow



After







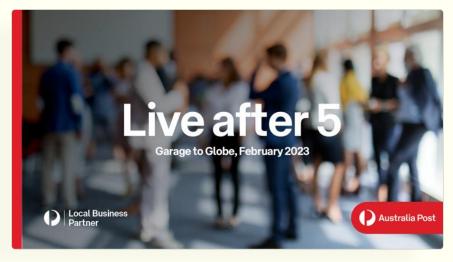


- To add depth to the overall composition we've added this 'bevelled' shadow effect to the image
- 2 For the text to contrast against the image for visibility we've added a coloured textbox, rather using the purple filter to the whole image like in the original slide
- We wanted the slide to feel more dynamic, so we layered the image to overlap the text. It helps tie the image and text as a united graphic



After









- 1 Illustrations help visually communicate themes and new ideas creatively in a way that photographic image might not be able to achieve. It's also a personable and fun style if you you're looking for a less 'corporate' style
- This presentation is about global expansion for small business owners, so we've used the location symbol as a graphic anchor for the both the title and line
- The line connects the title to the illustration and continues to the next slide with a push transition, making the presentation feel seamless and continuous



After









- By cropping out the image and creating layers, we've created a composition that feels dynamic and has depth. Slides can feel flat so techniques like this can help a layout jump out, which is essential for a cover slide
- We've layered the image with these diagonal shapes that helps make image really stand out
- 3 For strong contrast we've used a dark gradient to allow the text to standout clearly. A soft gradient like this is a sophisticated approach that allows for contrast but also still see the image behind it



After

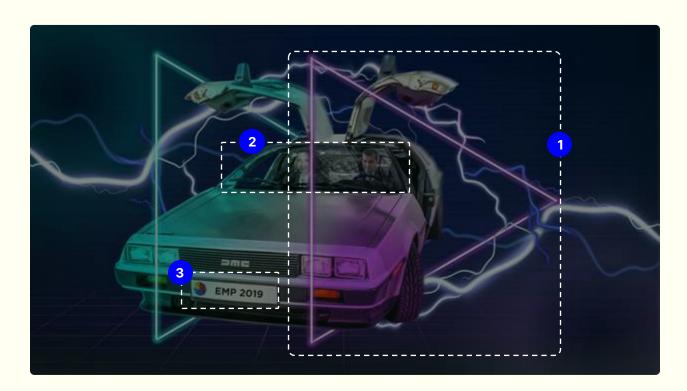


Before

Create image of our director in the car

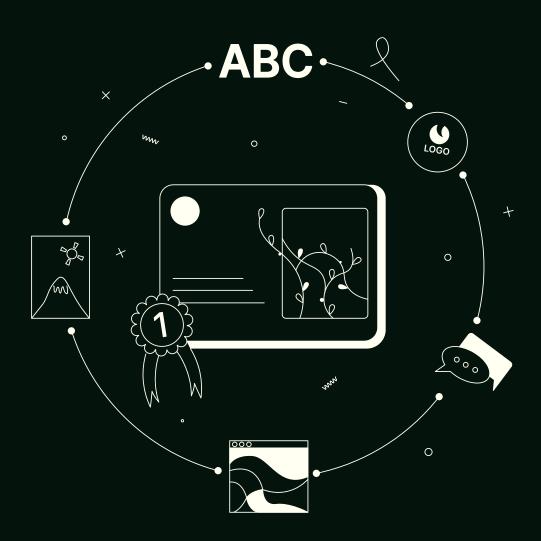


Creating an Impact



- To bring the whole Back to the Future theme together we blended in a stylised 'forward' symbol and lighting effects
- The team wanted a Back to the Future theme for a fun, internal event. The main graphic is completely customised to fit this theme and helps set the tone for the presentation.
- We've included extra custom details like the company logo in the number plate





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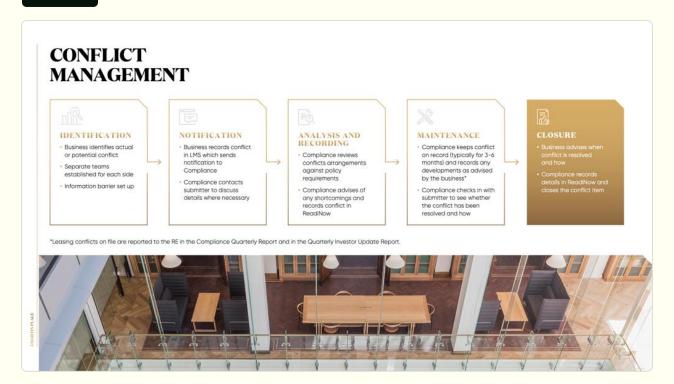


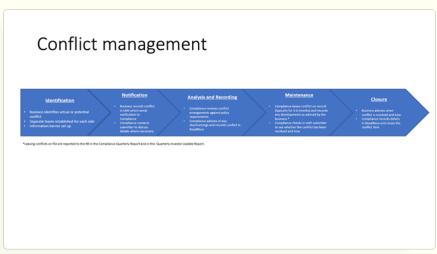


- 1 With a lot going on, we needed a highly structured text hierarchy to help make the overall layout feel balanced
- To make the slide feel relevant, we chose a housing image that is on theme and works well for the composition of the slide. We've also cropped it to strand out against the pattern and blue background
- This pattern is core the company brand so incorporating it with the image reinforces the brand identity to an external conference presentation audience

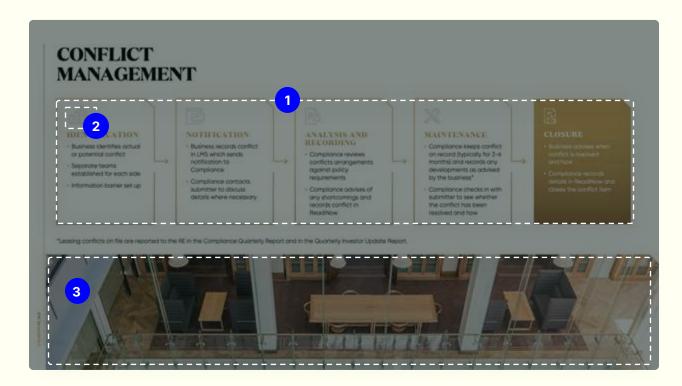


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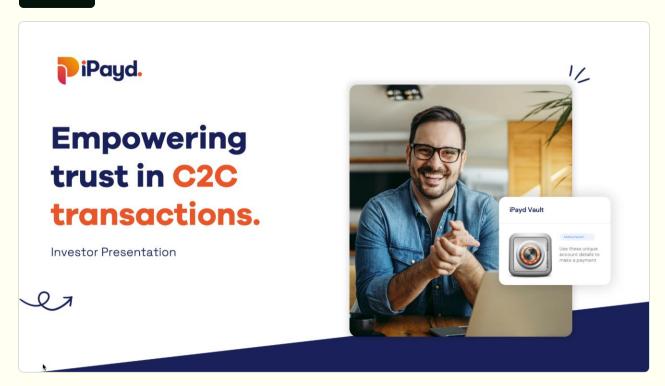




- 1 Using gold for the shapes and heading is a strong application of the brand and makes the slide feel premium and sophisticated
- Using icons as a simple and visual way to support content that looks clean and consistent
- We've used brand imagery relevant to the presentation that helps the slide feel visual and create overall balance in the composition



After





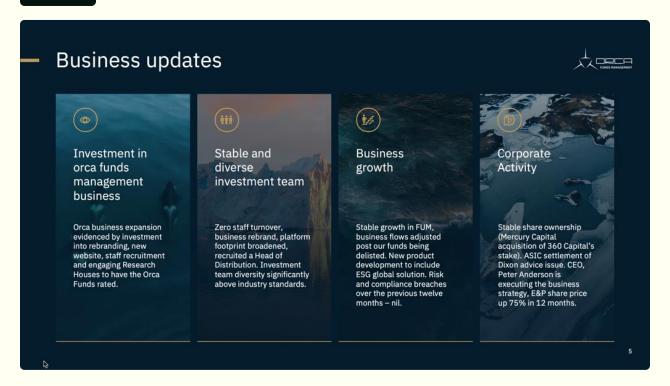


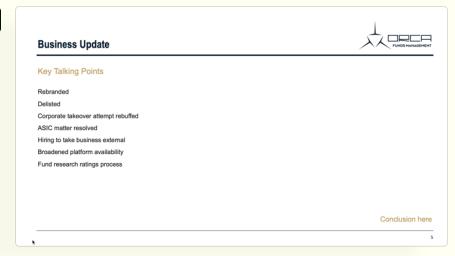


- By incorporating an image instead of using an illustration, the presentation feels more 'corporate' and in a style that appeals to potential investors
- The app logo is key feature of the brand, so we looked to incorporate it into the cover as a first peek at their services, just how you would see it on a landing page
- Where appropriate, we like to use fun details like this squiggly arrow to bring in the playfulness of a brand but not let the overall layout feel too quirky

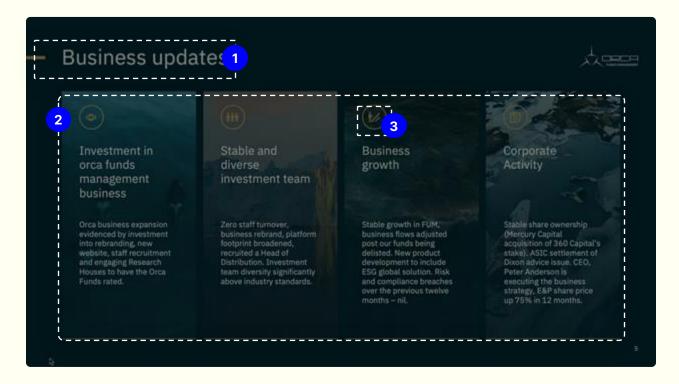


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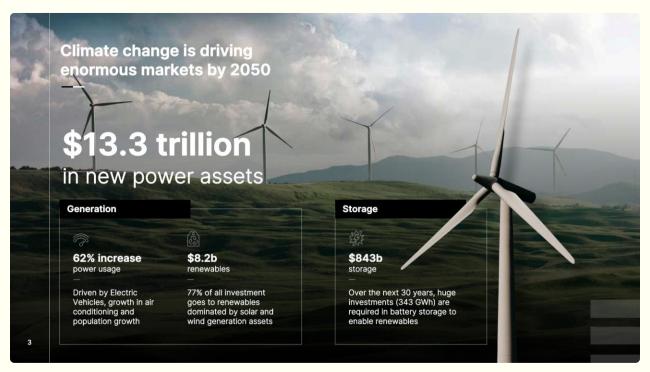




- A simple heading with a gold dash is a great way to add a brand style to a slide that help make the overall deck feel consistent but doesn't take up space or impede on the slide title
- The brand has a unique and distinctive imagery theme, so for this key slide we used images for each point. We then applied a dark overlay to help contrast it against the text copy to make it clear and easy to read
- We also like to frame icons in shapes like circles to provide consistency and structure to a layout



After









- 1 Using imagery, especially layered in this slide is a strong way to represent a brand. It immediately catches your eye and gives you context to the content. By also using a dark overlay we can still appreciate the image whilst the white text is easy to read
- 2 Even with such a strong image background we still like to include icons to help break up information and support the messaging
- We've included the logo icon here as a graphic to reinforce the brand on this image focused slide





After









- The client wanted to incorporate a connectivity pattern and use green as their core colour. We found an image that uses the pattern as well as having a global theme. Adding a gradient overlay means the background isn't too overwhelming like it was in the original slide
- To make the app the focus of the presentation, we've used an isometric 3D mock-up
- We like to use accent details like this to layouts to add depth to the slide

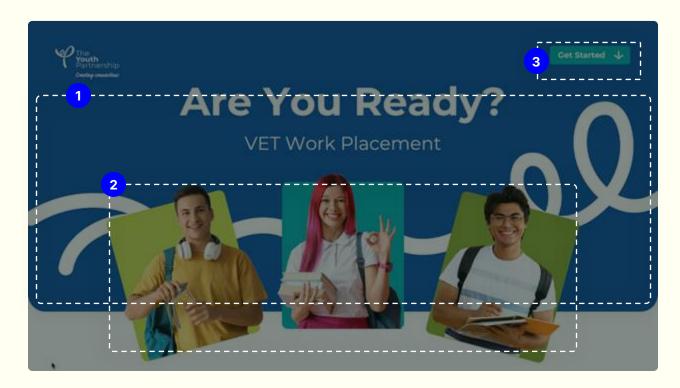


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- We used this fun shape as it looks like the logo and creates a youthful, playful tone to the design
- Rather than just one image of one student we chose to have three to better represent diversity and show that no one person represents the audience
- Call to action 'buttons' don't have to just be for websites. They can serve a visual and interactive way to invite and audience to be part of the presentation



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Discovery and definition

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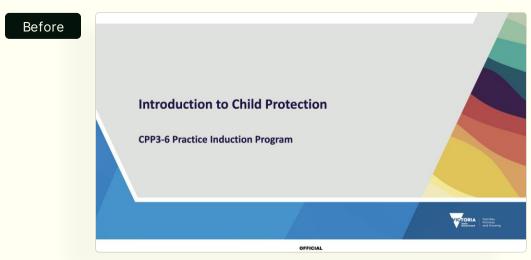


- For a cover title we often use striking images such as this to start strong and draw and audience in
- To contrast against the black and white of the photo we've used a pop of colour that immediately catches your eye
- 3 Using thin lines creates a structure for the layout and can be used throughout the presentation as a consistent to framework for slide titles

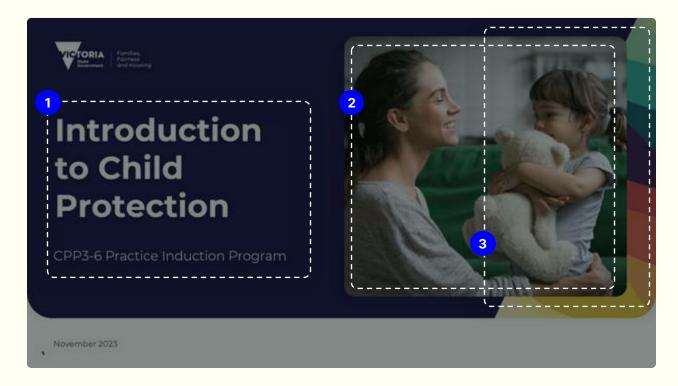


After









- We've made the heading nice and big and updated the font to follow the brand.

  Avoiding fonts like Calibri instantly makes a cover feel less 'PowerPointy'.
- People like seeing people, and introducing photography creates that human connection and impact.
- We've incorporated the pattern as it's a key graphic element for the brand so it was important to work it into the design but still look for a fresh approach.



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