



# THOMAS BURTON-LAWL

## Full Stack Developer Profile

I am a friendly and enthusiastic person with a keen interest in understanding how things work. I love to learn new skills and draw upon the unique knowledge of those around me. I have over half a decade of experience working full stack, but am always learning! I would like to immerse myself in a supportive environment where I can build great things with great people.

Outside of work, I love to learn about cosmology and physics, spend rainy days fly fishing for trout, and spend my evenings playing indie games, making chainmail, or playing D&D.

## CONTACT

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Available to work hybrid in South West UK or comfortable working remotely

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### Jun 2025 – Present — Freelance Web Developer

- ✓ Build accessible, modern websites for SMEs and creatives.
- ✓ Tech-agnostic delivery (static/Next.js/Strapi as appropriate), Lighthouse-focused, WCAG-aware.
- ✓ Set up domains/hosting (Vercel/Netlify), secure contact forms, analytics, and basic SEO.
- ✓ Provide clear handover docs and short Loom training.

### Jun 2024 – Jun 2025 — Software Engineer, Source Insurance Ltd

- ✓ Built, maintained, and supported a regulated insurance platform using Node/Express microservices and a Bootstrap front end.
- ✓ Integrated multiple third-party APIs; improved reliability and supportability in production.
- ✓ Collaborated across product/ops to turn requirements into stable releases; contributed to CI/CD and documentation.
- ✓ Drove performance and accessibility improvements using Lighthouse and pragmatic refactors.

### Sep 2023 – Jun 2024 — Software Developer, Empyrean Digital Ltd

- ✓ Delivered responsive, accessible websites and apps to pixel-perfect specs in a small team.
- ✓ Contributed to the Henley Royal Regatta streaming team for two consecutive years.

### Mar 2022 – Sep 2023 — Junior Software Developer, Empyrean Digital Ltd

- ✓ Wore multiple hats across development and support; managed eight client support desks.
- ✓ First point of contact for triage, fixes, and security updates; escalated complex issues with senior devs.
- ✓ Planned and implemented company-wide **Cyber Essentials Plus** certification requirements.

### Jan 2020 – Mar 2022 — Freelance Web Developer

- ✓ Worked with clients and UX designers to implement responsive designs to exact specifications.

### Oct 2020 – Mar 2022 — Support Coordinator, Keyring

- ✓ Managed and trained staff; designed processes and recording tools.
- ✓ Led team meetings, supervised staff, and represented the service at multiple levels.

## EDUCATION

### August 2022

Azure fundamentals | Microsoft Certification

### Jan 2020

Complete web developer bootcamp | UDEMY.com

This course covered HTML, CSS, JavaScript (ES6), NodeJS, ExpressJS, MongoDB, Mongoose, Authorization, DOM manipulation, responsive design, and many other technologies.

### September 2011- 2014

BA Music | Falmouth University

## SKILLS

Great social skills, intuition, empathy, a fast learner, and a passion to understand the details as well as plan appropriately for the “big picture”. I have worked on apps using:

- Javascript, PHP
- React, Next.js, Typescript, React query.
- a variety of CMS (CraftCMS, Strapi, WordPress)
- Node.js, express.Js
- SQL, Mysql, SQL server, MongoDB