We design in context

We communicate with a clear voice, at the right time, in the right way.

Look at the whole experience, not only the digital bit.

Give information only at the point it's needed, and through the best channel.

Understand user needs, the market, technology and our business goals.

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We design with purpose

Before we build a thing, we know why it's needed and how we'll know if it's effective.

Make services that are simple, useful and elegant.

Help users achieve their goal; remove distractions.

Design things that speak for themselves.

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We design for everyone

People come to our services with their own needs, insecurities and struggles – they deserve our consideration and thoughtfulness.

Don't design for difference, design so that no one feels different.

Write in a clear, simple way; open up your service to everyone.

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We design with honesty

We're truthful about what we can and can't do for our users.

Nothing made up.

Talk about what we've done.

Be true to your medium, understand its opportunities and limits: what works on paper won't always work on screen.

Be deliberate in what, when and how you communicate.

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We design in the open

We're co-operative in the way we work with others.

Talk about what you're making as you make it.

Be generous with your knowledge, and be ready to learn from others.

Don't hide when things go wrong – mistakes lead to learning.

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We design iteratively

There's no substitute for putting our work in front of real people.

People change, and what we build should change with them.

Build, measure, learn (repeat).

Learn from what people do, not what they say they do.

Don't let imperfections stop you from releasing. This is how we learn and improve.

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